

Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education

Monday Memo 2013-06-24

There will be no Monday Memo on July 1 or July 8.

Quote

Whatever you do, or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has genius and power and magic in it.
Johann Wolfgang von Goethe.

Marcie Mack takes chief of staff position

The state board on Thursday approved Marcie Mack as the department's new chief of staff. Marcie is an experienced CareerTech leader from the Autry Tech Center. Her background includes CareerTech teaching, IT, human resources, organizational leadership, strategic planning and much more. She came highly recommended and was one of several very strong candidates for the position. Marcie will join the senior leadership team at the department on July 10. She will be highly engaged in the agency's strategic planning and information management processes. Please welcome Marcie to her new position.

Board approves strategic purposes

The board approved the strategic purposes for the CareerTech system. This is the first of a series of steps that will assure we are focused and aligned to serve Oklahoma individuals and companies. Stay tuned for more information on the approved strategic purposes.

State budget set for FY2014

The board approved the broad allocation of resources for the coming year. The approval included distribution of the new funds the state legislature and the governor approved. New funds will be supporting industry credentialing, expanded common school programs, enhanced support for common school programs, enhancement of our support of the military and modernization of the CareerTech system.

Oklahoma CareerTech Summer Conference registration now open!

Summer Conference registration is now open. To register for the conference, go to www.okcareertech.org/summer-conference/registration Should you have any questions regarding registration or need technical assistance while registering, please contact the OkACTE office at 405-525-8906 or email dnewsom@okacte.org

MCA Culinary Art students recognized by state representatives

Oklahoma State Representative Lee Denny presented Metro Tech's Chef Travis with a State of Oklahoma Citation for the Culinary Arts students participating in the 2013 International Student Awareness Day. The citation, embossed with the state seal of Oklahoma, is signed by Speaker of the House T.W. Shannon. Shannon wrote in the citation "The Springlake Culinary School is remembered for contributions of time, effort and cuisine for the 2013 International Student Awareness Day on behalf of the Oklahoma Legislature." It also notes, "The Oklahoma House of Representatives takes great pride in extending recognition for such outstanding service."

The event was held on April 9 at the Oklahoma State Capitol. Lee Denny authored House Resolution 1013 to recognize this day as International Student Awareness Day recognizing international students and commending all persons involved in international student programs and directing distribution.

GuidanceFest

First held in 2008, GuidanceFest is an annual professional development opportunity for middle school and high school counselors, principals, instructors and staff. The annual event covers a wide range of career and technology education topics and is conducted by Oklahoma CareerTech and the State Department of Education.

GuidanceFest is free to attend but registration is required. The 2013 dates and locations have been announced:

- Sept. 25 - Autry Technology Center
- Sept. 27 - Mid America Technology Center
- Oct. 3 - Kiamichi Technology Center, Poteau
- Oct. 8 - Red River Technology Center
- Oct 10 - Tri County Technology Center

Registration will be up soon. For more information visit <http://www.okcareertech.org/about/initiatives/guidancefest>

Curriculum support for compressed natural gas

In the early 1990s, the state of Oklahoma first began training technicians to convert vehicles to operate on compressed natural gas. In 1991, CIMC produced a print curriculum and video for use in such training. Today, interest in alternative fuels is again high and CIMC will again produce curriculum to expand training opportunities. In partnership with the state Alternative Fuels Technician Examiners Committee, CIMC will produce curriculum for Compressed Natural Gas, Liquefied Natural Gas and electric vehicles, aligned to standards developed by the committee. Development of this curriculum will involve subject matter experts and technology center instructors from across the state who have long been instrumental in furthering alternative fuels instruction. The first product will be available Fall 2013. (contributed by Craig Maile)

STEM training a success

The STEM division hosted a Celeste Baine workshop "Teaching Engineering Made Easy Part 2." The workshop also included information for getting girls interested in engineering. We had a successful workshop with 19 in attendance from comprehensive schools as well as technology centers. Each participant walked away with teaching kits for 50 students and the "Teaching Engineering Made Easy Part 2" book.

CareerTech Foundation fundraiser – July 31, 2013

Send me a note if you are planning to field a golf team for this great event. I want to start telling others who is going to be there. I've got my team assembled! Let's fill the course for the cause.

Coffee Creek Golf Course

July 31, 2013

4000 North Kelly • Edmond, OK 73003

405.340.4653 • Tee Time – 8 a.m.

- Format: Four-Person Scramble — Shotgun Start
- Each team must have a minimum handicap of 50 (25 will be the maximum allowed per player)
- Cost: \$90 Per Player (Payment must be received by July 25, 2013)
- Includes: Lunch, Green Fee, Cart and Mulligans (2)
\$5 Per Player Split the Pot (Closest to the Pin) Contest.
- Prizes: 1st Place Team/flight • Hole-in-One • 2nd Place Team/flight • Longest Drive (Men's and Women's)
- Tournament will be flighted based on team participation
- Note: Soft spikes and collared shirt required.

Schedule for the week

This schedule is subject to change without notice:

Annual leave until July 9.

See you around!