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# Newsletter

## President's Message

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Let me welcome you back to another school year. The Council has been working to help prepare our profession for the decades that lie ahead in the new century.

Through a grant provided by the Technical Foundation of America, the Council is preparing recruitment materials to be used by high school teachers to bring students into technology education teacher preparation programs. Dr. Vince Childress, North Carolina A&T, is directing the project which will provide lesson plans with colorful transparencies and web-based activities for teaching about careers as technology education teachers. Vince is field testing the materials at numerous sites. Be aware that the serious minded high school student may be contacting you for information about your program in the near future.

Mark Sanders, CTTE Vice President, Virginia Tech, and Len Litowitz, Millersville University, have completed the Council's 16th monograph on Alternative Licensure Models. This document should prove timely to the profession as states work to fill the severe shortage of technology teachers facing many school systems.

The Council is also in need of other monographs on appropriate technology teacher education topics. An editorial and review process are in place. If you have ideas that the profession needs to learn more about, contact Bill Paige (Clemson University), publications committee chair, with future monograph topics and potential authors.

The 1999 yearbook, **Advancing Professionalism in Technology Education** (Tony Gilberti and David Rouch, editors), is currently at Glencoe being prepared for printing. The 2000 yearbook, **Technology Education for the 21st Century** (Gene Martin, editor), is also at Glencoe and will be ready for the conference.

Has your university program learned about CTTE's Outstanding Program Award? If you would like to apply, information on the program is available on the Council's web page, found at this URL: <http://teched.vt.edu/ctte>

Also in this newsletter, you will see additional information on the Salt Lake City annual ITEA Conference. Please keep updated on conference plans through our website. As a note, the Council will be releasing the survey data on member's opinions of how the Council should proceed in the new century. This will be presented at the session, "Bringing in the Millennium". Please participate in Council activities, so you can become part of our plans.

Have a great year.

# **CTTE Committee Reports**

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## **CTTE Collegiate Student Committee**

**Brian McAlister**

**University of Wisconsin-Stout**

Members of the CTTE Collegiate Student Committee will again help organize and conduct one or more of the TECA Regional Conferences held annually (plus help at the annual ITEA Conference). The dates and sites for this year's events include the following:

- TECA Midwest Regional Conference  
Peoria, IL (November 5 & 6, 1999)
- TECA West Regional Conference  
Ft. Collins, CO (November 11-13, 1999)
- TECA Southwest Regional Conference  
Pittsburg, KS (November 18 & 19, 1999)
- TECA Eastern Regional Conference  
Virginia Beach, VA (February 24-26, 2000)
- Annual ITEA Conference  
Salt Lake City, UT (TECA events April 6-8)

Members of the CTTE Collegiate Student Committee who are in charge of the events include Richard Seymour (Midwest), Michael DeMiranda (West), Andy Klenke (Southwest), and Sharon Brusica (East).

Committee members have also been assisting the TECA international officer team as they prepare for this year's activities. The new International Advisor is Dr. Larry Claussen (Wayne State College), replacing Bill Havice (Clemson University).

## **CTTE Accreditation Committee**

**Anthony E. Schwaller, DTE**

**St. Cloud State University**

Performance Based Accreditation

The modern term "performance based accreditation" is becoming more and more of a common phrase in the process of accreditation. NCATE is no exception. NCATE has initiated a major project called NCATE 2000.

Its purpose is to encourage all accreditation standards and guidelines to be in performance language as well as having performance assessment of these performance standards. To this end, the last ITEA/CTTE/NCATE specialty standards which were approved by NCATE in 1997 were stated in performance standards. Performance standards are simply defined as those performances that the teacher candidate should know and be able to do. To help assess performance based standards, institutions will be expected to submit summarized and sampled assessment results demonstrating that teacher candidates are proficient in the standards. Examples of various assessment results may come from various sources including state licensure exams, assessment in the candidate's content field, evaluations of actual performance indicating proficiency, and an ability to have a positive impact on student learning.

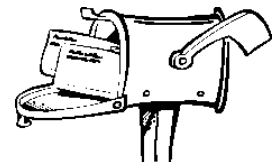
As the CTTE Accreditation Committee continues its work, performance standards and assessment will continue to become an integral component. The ITEA/CTTE/NCATE standards were originally approved by NCATE in 1987, were reviewed and approved again in 1997, and will need to be rewritten and approved in 2002. One of the major tasks of the CTTE Accreditation Committee will be to develop appropriate performance assessment techniques as well as redesign the standards to be parallel with the Standards for All American Project.

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# CTTE Committee Reports

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## Up-Coming CTTE Yearbooks

Tony Gilberti & David Rouch, Editors #48 (1999)  
"Advancing Professionalism in Technology Education"

Gene Martin, Editor #49 (2000)  
"Technology Education for the 21st Century"



## Membership Committee

Marie Hoepfl  
Appalachian State University

The Membership Committee is continuing its on-going work of recruiting new members, and encouraging existing members to maintain their memberships in the CTTE. We are seeking to expand the number of international memberships, to extend the reach of the CTTE into the elementary education community, and to solicit participation among Technology Education graduate students. A new CTTE brochure is currently being prepared, and should be ready for distribution by the end of October 1999.

All members of the Council can contribute to the task of maintaining a vital organization by encouraging colleagues who are not members to consider participation in the CTTE. Benefits such as the CTTE Yearbook, special conference sessions and workshops, and monographs are useful tools for all professionals within the field of technology education.

## CTTE Graduate Studies Committee

John C. Larkin  
Central Connecticut State University

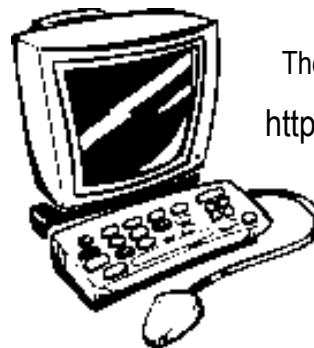
The Graduate Studies Committee is off to a good start this year. Individual members are working to complete their committee tasks. We need our colleagues to assist in two areas.

We will be contacting all the schools who have their Graduate Program information posted on the CTTE website. If your school is listed there, please visit that website and check out the information to insure that it is accurate. If not, report any changes to Dr. Larkin at CCSU.

We are also looking for several presenters for our Poster Session at the ITEA Conference in Salt Lake City. Our Poster Session theme focuses on graduate program concerns, issues, or activities. We already have three presenters signed up. Our Poster Session is scheduled to take place on Friday, April 7th from 10:30 - 11:45 AM. If you have an idea or topic, please call Dr. John Larkin at (860) 832-1854.

## CTTE Website

Please refer to the CTTE website for valuable (and up-to-date!) information about Council programs and events. For instance, the entire 1999/2000 CTTE Committee Membership listing is available on-line. The CTTE program for Salt Lake City is also posted on the Council's website. Details about publications, awards, and other important activities are up-dated regularly.



The CTTE Website is at:  
<http://teched.vt.edu/ctte>

NOTE: A special thanks to Dr. Mark Sanders for maintaining this valuable site!

# A Program To Recognize Outstanding Technology Teacher Education Programs

*Sponsored by*  
Council on Technology Teacher Education



Many professionals in technology teacher education have worked diligently to keep their programs up-to-date and consistent with contemporary thought, developed new curriculum and courses, or revitalized old ones. The Council on Technology Teacher Education is sponsoring an award designed to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of these professionals by identifying outstanding technology teacher education programs. The award is in recognition of superior technology education programs and exemplary professional involvement. The award will be an attractive plaque with an engraved brass insert. It will be presented at the Annual CTTE Yearbook Luncheon to department faculty from the colleges/universities that were judged to have outstanding technology teacher education programs.

REQUIREMENTS — To be eligible for the award, the technology teacher education program must . . . .

1. Have undergone ITEA/CTTE NCATE curriculum folio review and become an NCATE approved technology education program listed in the NCATE *Teacher Preparation: A Guide to Colleges and Universities* the year of the award.
2. Have graduated a minimum of 15 initial certification/licensure teachers during the past year (e.g., August, December, and May/June). These initial certified graduates can be at the undergraduate and/or graduate levels. A certified letter from the Registrar's/Records/Licensure Office listing the graduates must be presented to confirm that the students have graduated during the time span and completed programs for technology teaching licensure.
3. All technology teacher faculty who teach courses in the professional sequence of the teacher preparation program must be CTTE members during the year of the award.
4. A minimum of two of the faculty must serve on CTTE committees.

Note: After receiving the award, an institution is not eligible to apply again for five years.

PROCEDURES — Follow these steps . . . .

1. The award will be announced in the fall CTTE Newsletter annually.
2. A letter of application seeking the Outstanding Technology Teacher Education Program Award (along with a certified letter listing a minimum of 15 teacher certification graduates) must be received by the Secretary of CTTE by December 31, 1999.
3. The CTTE Executive Committee will determine NCATE program approval, CTTE membership, and Committee participation.
4. The institutions receiving the award will be notified by February 15 of the receipt of the award.
5. The CTTE Secretary will prepare the plaques.
6. The award will be presented to the institution at the annual Yearbook Luncheon.

Forward application packet to:

Dr. Sharon Brusic  
Technology Education Program  
144 Smyth Hall  
Virginia Tech  
Blacksburg, VA 24061-0432



# Committee Interest Form

CTTE committee assignments are made prior to the annual ITEA Conference each spring. If you would like to serve on a Council committee for the up-coming year, return this interest form ASAP. The earlier you submit this form, the greater the chance that we will be able to notify you and your new committee chair prior to our work sessions at the ITEA Conference in Salt Lake City. The address and FAX number are noted below. Plan to get professionally involved through a CTTE committee!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Office Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Potential CTTE assignments — please list a first (1), second (2), and third (3) choice among these committees:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Accreditation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Collegiate Student
- \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate Studies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Membership
- \_\_\_\_\_ Professional Development
- \_\_\_\_\_ Publications
- \_\_\_\_\_ Research
- \_\_\_\_\_ Undergraduate Studies



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