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President Letter - Amy Wagner

It's hard to believe that fall is upon us and we have just passed or are nearing the end of the first quarter of school year 2017-18! It is my sincere hope that your year has gotten off to a great start for you and your students.

Your CBI Board has met already once this year and have another meeting coming in early November. Shortly after that meeting you should hopefully be hearing about award applications and deadlines, conference, Knowledge Bowl, SkillsUSA affiliation and regional meetings. Please refer to the CBI Ohio website (www.cbiohio.com) and reach out to your regional representatives or executive committee if you aren't getting the information you need.

Additionally, please note that all Ohio ACTE membership expiration dates are now on September 15. Please check to make sure you have paid your membership dues to Ohio ACTE and have included the CBI division (for a total of \$85). Being a member of our professional organization gives us access to legislative support through Ohio ACTE, additional professional development, leadership and networking opportunities that will make our programs stronger. You

will no longer have the option of paying your Ohio ACTE dues along with your conference registration.

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Best wishes as you head into the holiday season both at school and home. May it be a time of reflection and thanksgiving as we think about the blessings that are our CBI programs around the state. Continue the good work that you do for students!

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Join/Renew Your Ohio ACTE/ACTE Membership- TODAY!



CTE professionals are encouraged to support Ohio ACTE by joining/renewing their membership at ohioacte.org/newmem. Ohio ACTE will be collecting only state dues. This change will allow Ohio ACTE to focus resources on advocacy efforts and professional benefits rather than administrative processes.

Membership Benefits Include:

Interaction

- Annual All-Ohio Conference – Connections To Education - the only statewide meeting of career, technical and adult educators.
- Ohio ACTE partners with the Ohio Department of Education to ensure collaboration on issues impacting Ohio career-technical students.
- Develop leadership skills through service as a division president or committee member.
- Ohio ACTE recognizes outstanding career-technical educators through its Awards Program.

Information

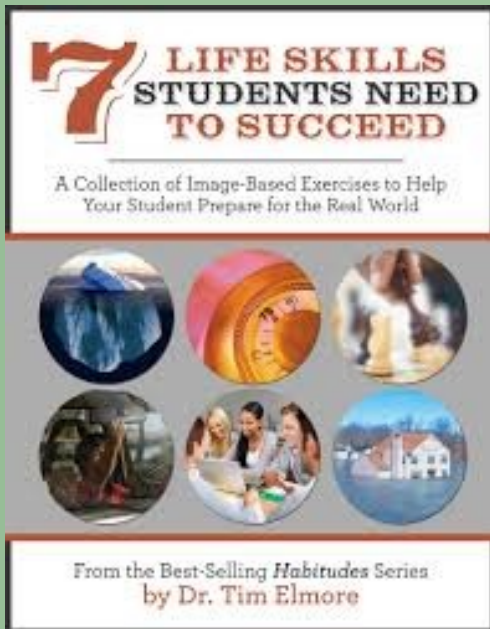
- Innovative educators showcase and share promising practices at the annual conference, through forums and at events.
- Ohio ACTE provides vital news on issues and developments in CTE through its Web site and monthly email update.
- Ohio ACTE's newsletter, *Today's Education, Tomorrow's Career* provides valuable information and commentary affecting Ohio career-technical educators.

Influence

- Ohio ACTE Legislative Counsel constantly monitors legislation that impacts CTE, advises leadership and makes recommendations to be sure CTE continues to serve the best interest of students.
- Ohio ACTE leadership works with legislators and lobbyists to ensure the interest of career-technical education is represented in today's government.
- Ohio ACTE forms successful partnerships with government regulators, officials, administrators and others to help them understand the influence CTE has on students and Ohio's economy.

Your participation in Ohio ACTE strengthens the voice of CTE and helps influence positive changes in funding, legislation and attitudes.

7 Life Skills Students Need To Succeed



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First, swallow your pride. Help students see that it isn't so important what they look like in the face of challenges. They won't look silly if they fall short of their goal and they won't lose credibility with you or others in your classroom.

Second, think function over form. Have students focus on the task to be completed rather than how it's always been done. Sometimes changing the approach and straying from "what's always been done" creates a new path to success.

Third, invite people into the thought process who are outside of the process. Sometimes seeking advice from others that you normally wouldn't allows for new insight. Sometimes when I have a student struggling with a concept in an academic problem or even a social problem, I will send them to someone other than their "normal" teacher/counselor if I can. Just the same problem-solving skills delivered from a different source make light bulbs come on for students.

Fourth, throw away the "box". Don't allow students (or yourselves) to get stuck in the "this is the way we've always done it" box. Seek new possibilities by asking "what if" and then try it! By doing so, you might be on the verge of the next best thing!

Fifth, celebrate your goal, not your role. Celebrate the end result of meeting the goal and don't dwell on the significance of the role that you play. The celebration of the goal and not the role lessens the inward focus on self and expands the focus of our inter-connectedness to meet a goal collectively.

Sixth, consider the cost-benefit. In other words, if students think of an out-of-the-box solution to try, have them think about what they'll have to give up and what they will gain if they "go for it". Analyzing the outcomes makes better critical thinkers of our students.

Finally, help students commit to the outcome. Once they have a creative solution and are ready to take a chance with an all or nothing attitude, push them to see it through to completion. Help guide them to learn to do whatever it takes to see a new and creative solution through to completion, even it means that their creative solution doesn't end as they expected. Help them to realize the lesson in those situations and stand tall next to them as they celebrate when their expectations are exceeded.

-Amy Wagner

Ohio Manufacturers Rally in Celebration of Manufacturing Day

Hundreds of manufacturers across Ohio will participate in Manufacturing Day in partnership with the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) and The Ohio Manufacturers' Association (OMA) and sponsored by Allegion's Cincinnati-based operation, Steelcraft. During this annual event, which the NAM and The Manufacturing Institute are leading exclusively for the first time, companies open their doors to their communities to showcase the many career opportunities available through modern manufacturing.

"Manufacturing is the largest sector of Ohio's economy. It powers job creation, innovation and economic stability throughout the Buckeye State," said **OMA President Eric Burkland**. "Manufacturing is the future, and today is about finding our next generation of innovators and inventors. With Manufacturing Day, we are able to highlight the many opportunities made possible by Ohio's manufacturing industry to attract our state's future manufacturers and grow our workforce and our economy."



To underscore manufacturing's importance to the U.S. economy, President Donald Trump invited a delegation of manufacturing workers, led by NAM President and CEO Jay Timmons, to join him at the White House as he signs an official presidential proclamation declaring October 6th as National Manufacturing Day.

"On Manufacturing Day, America's dreamers, doers and makers open our doors to modern manufacturing and unveil the opportunities that lie beyond them to students, parents, educators and community members across the country. It is our industry's biggest stage to recruit and inspire next-generation manufacturers to create and build their—and our—future in America," said **Timmons, who also serves as board chairman of The Manufacturing Institute**. "The future of manufacturing also heavily depends on enacting bold tax reform, and today is a great opportunity to bring that message directly to the American people. Getting tax reform done will secure these jobs in the United States and mean even more Americans can enjoy rewarding, well-paying, high-tech, hands-on and exciting careers in modern manufacturing."

Carolyn Lee, Executive Director of The Manufacturing Institute, agrees: "Over the next decade, modern manufacturing will generate 3.5 million job openings. Through Manufacturing Day, the CreatorsWanted.org campaign and other critical programming, the NAM and The Manufacturing Institute have remained at the forefront of developing workforce solutions to help meet this need and close the skills gap that threatens to leave 2 million manufacturing jobs unfilled by 2025. Giving our young people and their parents the chance to see firsthand the promise of a career in modern manufacturing can turn the tide and combat the myths that harm the perception of manufacturing careers in America."

First held in 2012 along with the Fabricators & Manufacturers Association, International, Manufacturing Day gives manufacturers the opportunity to address the skills gaps they face, connect with future generations, take charge of the public image of manufacturing and ensure the ongoing prosperity of the industry as a whole.

Knowledge Bowl – New & Improved

What is Knowledge Bowl (KB)?

It is an academic competition that allows CBI students to compete against each other in both a regional and a state competition. It encourages teamwork, demonstrates that learning can be fun, develops student pride, confidence, and study habits and it is good for resumes and future employment.

It contains 2,000 questions and answers from 20 different categories. Many of the questions focus on content from End of Course Exams [EOCs], ACT, GED, Work Keys, various credential assessments, CBI classroom and work-related topics, financial literacy, and random, fun trivia!



What is New & Improved?

For years, the KB program was available by downloading and installing it onto a computer. It was a good program, but there were a lot of issues and frustrations that needed to be fixed.

Well, over the summer we transitioned the program to an on-line format, which we are very excited about! The overall structure of KB is the same, but this new platform will resolve a lot of the issues associated with the old downloadable program.

With this new platform you will:

- Have access on any computer with an internet connection.
- Be able to use any type of computer (PC, MAC, Chrome Book, etc.).
- Have your own personally created username and password to access the program.
- Have a much more user-friendly layout to navigate between viewing and printing categories, practicing only specific categories, and practicing an actual competition.

How Many Divisions Are There?

KB teams are separated into three divisions based on grade level:

- **Middle School Division:** Grades 7 & 8
- **Junior Division:** Grades 9 & 10
- **Senior Division:** Grades 11 & 12

All three divisions compete at the same time during the regional and state competition, however, each team will only be competing against the other teams in that same division.

What Does a Team Look Like?

A team consists of any number of students between three and ten students. Each team will choose one student to be the:

- **Team Captain** – responsible for settling all differences of opinion among teammates' answers to provide the team's final answer
- **Team Score Keeper** – keeps track of the team's score for each quarter using the provided score sheets

The Competition

The competition will consist of four quarters with 15 questions in each quarter. Three questions will be randomly selected by a computer from each category for a total of sixty questions. Each question is assigned a point value of 5, 10, 15 or 20 points.

The winning team is the team that has accumulated the most points at the end of four quarters (60 questions) in each division.

Why Should You Participate?

It's a lot of fun and your students can be a part of a team that works together to work towards a common goal and achieve success. It provides a fun and exciting way to prepare for classroom content, state exams needed for graduation, college study habits, and more

Need More Information?

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CBI Knowledge Bowl





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Region 4

CBI Students Explore Trade Occupations & Participate in National Manufacturing Day

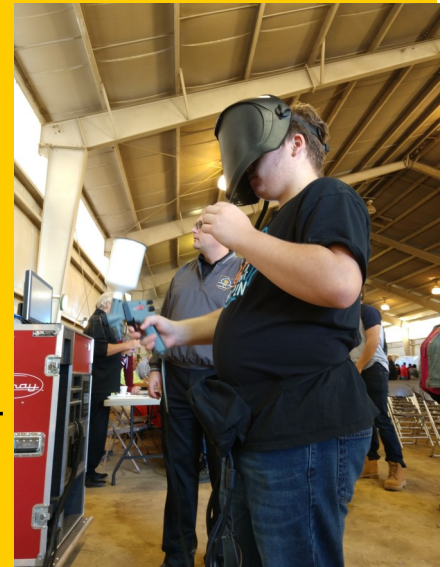


On October 3, Piqua High School CBI students and the Exploring Technology class were invited to the Construction Career Expo by the MV Building Trades Apprenticeship Group in Dayton. The Construction Career Expo exposes the students to viable career options in the Construction Industry through Apprenticeship Training.

Piqua High School teacher Mrs. Hines hopes the students will learn “that you don’t necessarily have to go to a four year college to find something you like to do.” Piqua High School has been attending to the Expo for about 5 years.

Students have learned from them greatly but they also helped adult men and women. These individuals have learned to transition in the workforce by developing academic, technical and employability skills. Union tradesman have a positive attitude and are prepared for successful and rewarding careers.

The National Manufacturing Day was celebrated by Piqua High School students going to the Honda Anna Engine Plant in Anna, Ohio on October 4. By going to this manufacturing setting, it “exposes students to all of the different career opportunities available within a manufacturing setting,” said Mrs Hines. The Honda Anna Engine Plant is a large employer, the kids will learn more than they need to understand the career opportunities available in a manufacturing setting. “Many of them are hands-on learns and want to learn by doing.”



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