



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DATE: February 24, 2023

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: **2022-2023 Career and Technical Education – Creating Excellence Awards Application**

The Virginia Department of Education (VDOE), in collaboration with the Virginia Community College System (VCCS), is pleased to announce the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Creating Excellence Awards for 2022-2023. The secondary and postsecondary awards recognize excellence in the following categories: CTE exemplary programs, advisory committees, and business and industry partnerships. There are three levels of recognition: local, regional, and state. The secondary and postsecondary awards ceremony will be conducted jointly for the regional and state winners. **Attachment A** contains the following: Fact Sheet, Exemplary Secondary Program Award Application, Secondary Advisory Committee Award Application, and the Secondary Business and Industry Partnership Award Application. The application and selection timeline are as follows:

March 24, 2023	Completion of local judging
March 31, 2023	Submission of local school division winners to the VDOE
April 6, 2023	Completion of regional and state judging
May 1, 2023	Notification of regional award winners by the VDOE
June 8, 2023	Recognition of regional and state winners for secondary and postsecondary at the awards luncheon in Richmond, Virginia

School divisions are encouraged to showcase their excellence in CTE. Thank you for your continuing support of career and technical education.

If you have questions, please contact Heather M. Jones, Creating Excellence Awards Coordinator, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education at (804) 225-3119 or cte@doe.virginia.gov.

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Attachment:

- A. [Secondary Application Packet](#) (Word)