**CTE Experience Works 2024: Pathways for the Future**

**Tentative Conference Agenda**

**June 26-27, 2024**

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| **Wednesday, June 26, 2024** |
| **Date/Time** | **OPENING PLENARY SESSION – DAY 1** |
| June 26, 20249:00-10:00 a.m. | Welcome ***Sharon W. Acuff***Program Administration and Workforce Development CoordinatorOffice of Career, Technical, and Adult EducationVirginia Department of Education Secondary Workforce Development Update***William Hatch, J.D.***Associate Director for Program Administration and Workforce DevelopmentOffice of Career, Technical, and Adult EducationVirginia Department of EducationIntroduction of Keynote Speaker ***Dr. J. Anthony Williams*** DirectorOffice of Career, Technical, and Adult EducationVirginia Department of Education Keynote Speaker***Zachary Jacobs***Assistant Secretary of Education Office of the Secretary of EducationCommonwealth of Virginia |
| June 26, 202410:00-10:15 a.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 26, 202410:15-11:00 a.m. | **SESSION I WORKSHOPS** |
|  | **I.1 Job Shadowing for Student Success*****Dr. Lori Martin***, Supervisor, Career and Technical Education, Chesapeake Public Schools***Katie Bledsoe***, Career Specialist, Albemarle County Public Schools |
|  | **I.2 Creating a Regional Collaborative for Youth Registered Apprenticeship and Registered Apprenticeship*****Jason Suhr***, Career and Technical Education Director, Roanoke County Public Schools***Mark Jones***, Career and Technical Education Supervisor, Roanoke County Public Schools***Jess Truax***, Work-Based Learning Coordinator, Roanoke City Public Schools |
|  | **I.3 Growing Our Own: From Our Schools to Our Workforce*****Matthew Bechtel***, Work-Based Learning Specialist, Fairfax County Public Schools***Leah Ross***, Work-Based Learning Specialist, Fairfax County Public Schools |
|  | **I.4 Building and Sustaining Successful Chamber Partnerships** ***Emily Webb*,** Vice President of Education and Workforce Development, Virginia Chamber of Commerce |
| June 26, 202411:00-11:15 a.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 26, 202411:15-12:00 p.m. | **SESSION II WORKSHOPS** |
|  | **II.1 Blue Ridge Partnership: A Model for Growing Health Sciences Careers*****Cynthia Lawrence***, Director of the Office of Workforce Development, Carilion Clinic  |
|  | **II.2 Incorporating Career and Technical Education High-Quality Work-Based Learning to Support Students with Disabilities*****Kelly E. Ligon***, Research and Demonstration Associate, Center on Transition Innovations and Transition Rehabilitation Research and Training Center, Virginia Commonwealth University***Sherry Hildebrandt,*** Transition Specialist, Hampton City Public Schools***Seth Black***, Director of Career and Technical Education, Hampton City Public Schools |
|  | **II.3 Career and Technical Education High-Quality Work-Based Learning Success Stories*****Natalie Barnette,*** Account Executive, Convergint Technologies***Braden Croy,*** Program Director, Dominion Energy Innovation Center***Jazzlyn Fernandez,*** Public Health and Medicine, Science, and Humanities Student, Johns Hopkins University***Conner Reid***, Business Student, Virginia Military Institute |
|  | **II.4 Creating IT Apprenticeships*****Debby Hopkins,*** Director, Workforce Initiatives, Appteon, Inc. |
| June 26, 202412:00-12:45 p.m. | **LUNCH** |
| June 26, 202412:45-1:30 p.m. | **PLENARY SESSION: VA ACTE WORK-BASED LEARNING AND VDOE CTE HQWBL UPDATES** |
| June 26, 20241:30-1:45 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 26, 20241:45-2:30 p.m. | **SESSION III WORKSHOPS** |
|  | **III. 1. Starting Small: Learning and Supporting CTE HQWBL Programs in Your Division** ***Erika Temple*,** Secondary Workforce Development Specialist, Region 1, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Virginia Department of Education***Dr. Tammy Hurt*,** Secondary Workforce Development Specialist, Region 8, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Virginia Department of Education |
|  | **III.2. Virginia Child Labor Laws and Regulations*****Robert Armstrong***, Assistant Director of Labor and Employment Law, Department of Labor and Industry – Child Labor  |
|  | **III.3. Keys to a High-Quality School-Based Enterprise Experience*****Catherine Lewis,*** Business Teacher, Alexandria City Public Schools  |
|  | **III.4 Recruiting and Sustaining Career and Technical Education High-Quality Work-Based Learning Experiences with Business Partners*****Sidnee McGee,*** Chief of Education and Intern Development***,*** Virginia Commercial Spaceport Flight Authority |
| June 26, 20242:30–2:45 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 26, 20242:45–3:30 p.m. | **REGION MEETINGS** |
| **Thursday, June 27, 2024** |
| **Date/Time** | **OPENING PLENARY SESSION – DAY 2** |
| June 27, 20249:00-10:00 a.m. | Welcome ***Sharon W. Acuff***Program Administration and Workforce Development CoordinatorOffice of Career, Technical, and Adult EducationVirginia Department of Education Introduction of Keynote Speaker ***Dr. J. Anthony Williams*** DirectorOffice of Career, Technical, and Adult EducationVirginia Department of Education Keynote Speaker***Liza Walker Mickens***Social Media CoordinatorVirginia Tourism Corporation |
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| June 27, 202410:15-11:00 a.m. | **SESSION IV WORKSHOPS** |
|  | **IV.1 Externships – Let’s Go!*****Emily Hall*,** Career Counseling Specialist, Spotsylvania County Public Schools***Sue Venable-Shelton***, Supervisor of Career and Technical Education, Spotsylvania County Public Schools***Michael Hill*,** Coordinator of Career and Technical Education, Portsmouth City Public Schools***Latrice Scott*,** Career and Technical Education Program Specialist, Portsmouth City Public Schools |
|  | **IV.2 Manufacturing Excellence*****Summer Stone***, Principal/Career and Technical Education Coordinator, Wythe County Public Schools  |
|  | **IV.3 Providing More Work-Based Learning Experiences*****Mac R. Beaton***, Director, Workforce and Career Development, Henrico County Public Schools***Beverly Cocke***, Administrative Coordinator of Workforce and Career Development, Henrico County Public Schools |
|  | **IV.4 Connecting the Internship Experience*****Dr. Barbara Blake***, Executive Director, Old Dominion University Monarch Internship and Co-Op Office  |
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| June 27, 202411:15-12:00 p.m. | **SESSION V WORKSHOPS** |
|  | **V.1 Richmond Public Schools Summer Internship Experience*****Dr. Rhonda Turner,*** Manager of Career and Technical Education, Richmond Public Schools  |
|  | **V.2 11,803 Reasons Work-Based Learning Works*****Chad Maclin***, Career and Technical Education Director, Chesterfield County Public Schools***Katy Stokes,*** Work-Based Learning Coordinator, Chesterfield County Public Schools |
|  | **V.3 Crater Region Reverse Career Fair*****Burke George***, Career and Technical Education Coordinator, Dinwiddie County Public Schools |
|  | **V.4 Starting Small: Supplementing CTE HQWBL Programs in Your Division*****Erika Temple*,** Secondary Workforce Development Specialist, Region 1, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Virginia Department of Education***Dr. Tammy Hurt*,** Secondary Workforce Development Specialist, Region 8, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Virginia Department of Education |
| June 27, 202412:00-12:45 p.m. | **LUNCH**  |
| June 27, 202412:45-1:30 p.m. | **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CONVERSATION*****Carrie Roth*,** Director, Virginia Works, Department of Workforce Development and Advancement***Debbie Melvin*,** Assistant Vice President, Regional Talent Solutions and Business Outreach, Virginia Economic Development Partnership |
| June 26, 20241:30-1:45 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 27, 20241:45-2:30 p.m. | **PLENARY SESSION: What is Virginia Works?** ***Angela Kelly-Wiecek*,** Chief Deputy Director, Virginia Works, Department of Workforce Development and Advancement |
| June 27, 20242:30–2:45 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 27, 20242:45-3:30 p.m. | **PLENARY CLOSING SESSION (PENDING)**Welcome***Sharon W. Acuff***Program Administration and Workforce Development CoordinatorOffice of Career, Technical, and Adult EducationVirginia Department of Education Introduction of Closing Speaker***Dr. J. Anthony Williams***DirectorOffice of Career, Technical, and Adult EducationVirginia Department of EducationClosing Speaker***To Be Confirmed*** |