**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, 2024  9:00-10:00 a.m. | Welcome  ***Sharon W. Acuff***  Program Administration and Workforce Development Coordinator  Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education  Virginia Department of Education  Secondary Workforce Development Update  ***William Hatch, J.D.***  Associate Director for Program Administration and Workforce Development  Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education  Virginia Department of Education  Introduction of Keynote Speaker  ***Dr. J. Anthony Williams***  Director  Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education  Virginia Department of Education  Keynote Speaker  ***Zachary Jacobs***  Assistant Secretary of Education  Office of the Secretary of Education  Commonwealth of Virginia |
| June 26, 2024  10:00-10:15 a.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 26, 2024  10:15-11:00 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, 2024  11:00-11:15 a.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 26, 2024  11:15-12:00 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, 2024  12:00-12:45 p.m. | **LUNCH** |
| June 26, 2024  12:45-1:30 p.m. | **PLENARY SESSION: VA ACTE WORK-BASED LEARNING AND VDOE CTE HQWBL UPDATES** |
| June 26, 2024  1:30-1:45 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 26, 2024  1:45-2:30 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, 2024  2:30–2:45 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 26, 2024  2:45–3:30 p.m. | **REGION MEETINGS** |
| **Thursday, June 27, 2024** | | |
| **Date/Time** | **OPENING PLENARY SESSION – DAY 2** |
| June 27, 2024  9:00-10:00 a.m. | Welcome  ***Sharon W. Acuff***  Program Administration and Workforce Development Coordinator  Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education  Virginia Department of Education  Introduction of Keynote Speaker  ***Dr. J. Anthony Williams***  Director  Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education  Virginia Department of Education  Keynote Speaker  ***Liza Walker Mickens***  Social Media Coordinator  Virginia Tourism Corporation |
| June 27, 2024  10:00-10:15 a.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 27, 2024  10:15-11:00 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, 2024  11:15-12:00 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, 2024  12:00-12:45 p.m. | **LUNCH** |
| June 27, 2024  12:45-1:30 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, 2024  1:30-1:45 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 27, 2024  1:45-2:30 p.m. | **PLENARY SESSION: What is Virginia Works?**  ***Angela Kelly-Wiecek*,** Chief Deputy Director, Virginia Works, Department of Workforce Development and Advancement |
| June 27, 2024  2:30–2:45 p.m. | **BREAK** |
| June 27, 2024  2:45-3:30 p.m. | **PLENARY CLOSING SESSION (PENDING)**  Welcome  ***Sharon W. Acuff***  Program Administration and Workforce Development Coordinator  Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education  Virginia Department of Education  Introduction of Closing Speaker  ***Dr. J. Anthony Williams***  Director  Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education  Virginia Department of Education  Closing Speaker  ***To Be Confirmed*** |