

Ohio ACTE Award Descriptions

Ohio ACTE Awards:

Ohio ACTE Ambassador Award

Ohio ACTE Teacher of the Year Award*

Ohio ACTE Postsecondary Teacher of the Year*

Ohio ACTE Administrator of the Year*

Ohio ACTE Outstanding New Career and Technical Teacher*

Ohio ACTE Educator in Community Service*

Ohio ACTE Career Guidance Award*

Ohio ACTE Business Image Award (non-educators eligible)

Ohio ACTE Outstanding School Board Member Award (non-educators eligible)

Process:

The Ohio ACTE Awards program is administered by the Ohio ACTE Awards Committee and Executive Board. The Committee is responsible for recommending to the Executive Board an Awards program, setting criteria, reviewing applications and overseeing all aspects of the recognition program for award winners.

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Ohio ACTE Ambassador Award - The purpose of this award is to recognize CTE staff who significantly contribute to their schools through their service in a non-educator role and who have made the highest meritorious contributions to the improvement, promotion, development and/or progress of Career and Technical Education. This includes (but is not limited to) technology; communications (Public Relations); and support staff.

Ohio ACTE Teacher of the Year Award - The purpose of this award is to recognize teachers who are providing outstanding career and technical education programs for youth and/or adults in their respective fields and communities. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward innovative, unique and novel programs that are serving to improve and promote career and technical education. Eligibility – Must be a full-time classroom/laboratory CTE teacher at the middle or secondary school level.

Ohio ACTE Postsecondary Teacher of the Year - The purpose of this award is to recognize full-time classroom/laboratory CTE teachers/educators at the post-secondary level, who have recently provided or are currently providing significant contributions to career and technical education programs. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward innovative, unique and novel programs; and/or improvement, promotion, research or development of programs related to career and technical education. Eligibility – Must be a full-time classroom/laboratory CTE teacher/educator at the postsecondary level.

Ohio ACTE Administrator of the Year - The purpose of this award is to recognize career and technical educators, other than full-time classroom/laboratory teachers, who have recently provided or are currently providing significant contributions to professional associations and career and technical education programs for youth and/or adults in their career fields, communities and/or states. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward innovative, unique and novel programs; and/or improvement, promotion, research or development of programs related to career and technical education. Eligibility – Must be a full-time administrator, program specialist, coordinator, or other CTE personnel/staff.

Ohio ACTE Outstanding New Career and Technical Teacher - This award is meant to encourage new teachers to remain in the profession. Recipients of this award must have made significant



contributions toward innovative, unique and novel programs and have shown a professional commitment early in their careers. Eligibility – Full-time laboratory/classroom CTE teacher (middle/secondary/postsecondary level) with 3 – 5 years' experience.

Ohio ACTE Educator in Community Service - The purpose of this award is to recognize educators with significant accomplishments and outstanding leadership in programs and activities that promote community involvement. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions toward training, motivating, and inspiring their peers and students to become involved in programs and projects that benefit their communities.

Ohio ACTE Career Guidance Award - The purpose of the ACTE Career Guidance Award is to recognize school counselors and career development professionals who are currently making significant contributions in career and technical education programs in their communities and/or states. Recipients of this award must have made significant contributions to advocate, educate and communicate the value of CTE as a viable career option to a variety of audiences, including students and adults. They must also demonstrate exemplary efforts in helping students and/or adults evaluate their abilities, interests and talents that encourage them to develop academic and career goals aligned with career and technical education. Eligibility – Full-time school counselors and guidance professionals.

Ohio ACTE Business Image Award (non-educators eligible)- The Image Award recognizes individuals who have brought positive attention to the career-technical and adult education fields, thereby enhancing the image of career-technical and adult education and career and technical educators.

Ohio ACTE Outstanding School Board Member Award (non-educators eligible) – The purpose of this award is to recognize a duly elected or appointed board member who has made the highest meritorious contributions to the improvement, promotion, development and governance of career technical and adult education in Ohio. Up to five Outstanding Board Member Awards will be bestowed by Ohio ACTE.

Ohio ACTE Distinguished Service Awards – The purpose of the Distinguished Service Award is to encourage and recognize superior leadership and/or other professional commitment within each Division of Ohio ACTE. These Awards are presented to individuals in each division who have made the highest contributions to improvement promotion, development and progress of career technical and adult education. Each Division selects its Distinguished Service Award recipient.

ACTE National Awards

*Additionally, ACTE has an Awards Program to recognize career technical educators at the national level. Ohio ACTE Award recipients in these categories who meet ACTE Award criteria will be asked to complete and submit ACTE award applications on the regional level.

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