

2020 PCEA Virtual Conference
Charting Our Course for Work-Based Learning Into 2021
October 20 and 21, 2020

AGENDA

October 20, 2020

10:00 AM – 10:10 AM

Opening Remarks

*Mr. Walt Hansell, President
Pennsylvania Cooperative Education Association*

10:10 AM – 11:15 AM

General Session: New Coordinator Session: Intro to Cooperative Education

Co-op coordinators have a lot on their plate! This presentation will provide resources for coordinators and address multiple topics such as student intake meetings, tracking paperwork, clearances, meetings schedules/topics, site visits, etc. In addition, the presentation will provide resources for internships, child labor laws, and hazardous occupations.

*Ms. Lisa Hughes
Work-Based Coordinator
Reading-Muhlenberg Career & Technology Center*

*Ms. Connie Muschko
School-to-Career Coordinator
Bethlehem Area Vocational-Technical School*

*Mr. RC Youse
School-to-Career Coordinator
Berks Career and Technology Center*

11:15 AM – 12:15 AM

General Session: Starting a Pre-Apprenticeships

Presentation will include process for becoming a Registered Pre-Apprenticeship program in PA. Guest speaker from Apprenticeship and Training Office will be available to answer any questions about Pre-Apprenticeships and Apprenticeship programs.

*Ms. Michelle Mellott
Workforce Development Assistant
Franklin County Career and Technology Center*

*Mr. James Reese
Apprenticeship and Training Field Representative
Pennsylvania Career Link*

12:15 PM – 12:45 PM

Lunch



12:45 PM – 1:45 PM

General Session: Legal Issues for Education Professionals

This presentation will review a variety of legal issues relevant to education professionals and support staff. We will discuss legal issues surrounding child abuse reporting, the state's Safe2Say program, internet and social media, as well as some of the unique legal situations that arise within the context of career and technical education.

*Ms. Anne K. Leete, Esq
Spencer, Gleason, Hebe, & Rague, P.C.*

1:45 PM – 3:00 PM

General Session: Best Practices in Cooperative Education

Pennsylvania's career and technology centers are striving to develop innovative, cutting-edge programs to improve their cooperative education programs and engage students in high quality work-based learning experiences. This session highlights some of the best practices taking place throughout the state. The cooperative education programs profiled represent a variety of best practices that include:

- Workplace readiness
- Integration of technology
- Employer engagement
- Stakeholder buy-in

*Ms. Shelly Ishler
Cooperative Education Coordinator
National Technical Honor Society, Co-Advisor
State College Area High School*

*Mr. Terry Miller
Assistant Director
Franklin County Career and Technology Center*

*Ms. Kim Letourneau
Adjunct Instructor
Temple University*

*Mr. Joe Baylog
Diversified Occupations Teacher
Lehigh Career and Technical Institute*

*Mr. Steve Ferguson
Diversified Occupations Teacher
Lehigh Career and Technical Institute*

3:00 PM

Adjourn

October 21, 2020

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM

PCEA General Membership Meeting

8:30 AM – 8:45 AM

Awards: 2019 PCEA Coordinator of the Year

8:45 AM – 9:15 AM

General Session: Career and Technical Education in PA

The State Director of Career and Technical Education will provide the latest information on career and technical education at the state and national level.

*Dr. Lee Burket
State Director
Bureau of Career and Technical Education
PA Department of Education*

9:15 AM – 9:30 AM

General Session: Data, COVID, and Student Success

During this session participants will learn about the tools available to administrators and teachers utilizing Cooperative Education Models. We will discuss the variety of resources, tools, and value-adds that are available to this population as well as the general (CTE) community. The presentation will focus on improving the quality of Co-operative education programs using data.

*Dr. John C. Foster
President/CEO
NOCTI and Nocti Business Solutions*

9:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Break

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

General Session: Establishing and Maintaining Safe and Healthy Cooperative Education Training Sites

Cooperative Education Training sites are often filled with dangerous, tools, equipment and hazardous conditions which are difficult to control. Through the highly dynamic and interactive presentation, participants will learn new strategies to establishing and maintaining safe and healthy cooperative education training sites. A major emphasis of the presentation will be placed on employer and training site visits and collaborative efforts to addressing the challenges that cooperative education coordinators face.

*Dr. Mark Threton
Professional Personnel Development Center for CTE
The Pennsylvania State University*

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

General Session: Overview of State and Federal Child Labor Laws

The presenters will provide a lively, interactive presentation on Federal and State Child Labor regulations. Topic that will cover include employee relationships, differences in state and/or federal regulations, hazardous occupations, student exemptions, available publications and more. Bring your questions and concerns!

*Ms. Mallory Cooper-Kreidler
Wage and Hour Investigator
U.S. Department of Labor*

*Mr. Randy Liddle
Administrative Officer
Pennsylvania Bureau of Labor Law Compliance*

12:00 PM

Adjourn

