

April 2021 (Delayed)



Interim President's Message

Greetings CTEI Members:

August 2021 will, once again, seem incomplete due to not being able to meet in-person for REACH 2021. That means another start of a school year without guidance from the Division of CTE being handed and spoken directly to us. We will have to watch it remotely, which is certainly not as satisfying, but still very critical.

It also means another year without your automatic membership in CTEI. And your membership in CTEI is also very critical. This year we have 145 CTEI

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members, down from over 700 per year in those years when your CTEI membership was paid as part of your REACH registration. That reduction in members represents over \$11,000 in membership dues that cannot be used to provide association grants and member training - which are part of our member benefits and (hopefully) part of the reason you are a CTEI member.

One of CTEI's most impactful member benefits is when CTEI represents you to Idaho CTE leadership and before the legislature. CTEI leaders meet directly with Director Long at the Division several times during the school year. Lex Godfrey and his CTEI legislative subcommittee's lobbying efforts help legislators understand the impact and effect of their education bills. Without Lex's real-world "fact check", legislation that could inadvertently (or maybe intentionally...) have adverse effects on our teachers and students might make it into law.

Even though we are not meeting face-to-face for REACH, I do hope that you will consider renewing your CTEI membership this summer. We need you. Please stay well. Thank you for all that you do for CTE students in Idaho.

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Idaho CTE Leadership Institute

Idaho Career & Technical Education is funding and facilitating activities for the Idaho Career & Technical Education Leadership Institute. The purpose of this Institute is to prepare the next generation of district and state career and technical leaders. It is designed to produce forward-thinking and change-oriented leaders through a three-year program of study. Three to six new prospective leaders will be initiated into the Institute during the annual Idaho Career & Technical Education Professional Development Conference: REACH. The deadline for applying is May 15, 2021.

For more information: <u>https://cte.idaho.gov/educators-5/professional-</u> <u>development/leadership-institute/</u>



Check Out The CTEI Website

Please take a few moments to log into the <u>CTEIdaho.org</u> website and update your membership information. There are LOTS of exciting activities being planned for 2021 and you won't want to miss any of them.

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If you'd like to have something included in this monthly communication, please contact <u>Robin Bagent</u>, Chair of the Public Relations Committee. (Members are encouraged to submit content for the newsletter.)