GET READY! Join us for upcoming CTE MONTH Live Events!

ATTN: High School Campuses & 2021 Graduating Seniors 
CTE Month Mini Lessons - Quest for Excellence!
February 11, 2021 / 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Join us for this Microsoft LIVE Event
February 18, 2021 / 5:00pm - 6:00pm - Join us for this Microsoft LIVE Event

(click the above links to join these live events and see flyer details on page 2) 
For more information, please email Carolina Cano: ccano@houstonisd.org
or please email Echos Blevins: echos.blevins@houstonisd.org

ATTN: High School Campuses & 2021 Graduating Seniors
SENIORS TO SUCCESS 2.0 - Virtual Hiring Event!
Student Registration is required.
February 25, 2021 / 12:00pm - 2:00pm

(click student registration above and see flyer details on page 3) 
For more information, please email Carolina Cano: ccano@houstonisd.org
or please email Echos Blevins: echos.blevins@houstonisd.org
2021 GRADUATES:

Unsure about your next steps after graduation? Looking for career opportunities? Join us for:

**CTE MONTH MINI SESSIONS**

During the month of **February**, graduating seniors can explore career opportunities with industry partners in the Gulf Coast Region, expand their knowledge of careers in the military and aviation industry, and engage with business leaders to hear about out-of-the-box careers that will help them earn more!

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**GET STARTED WITH MINI SESSIONS:**

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**EXPAND**

Expand your knowledge in this must-attend session and obtain career ready resources for exponential success.

**February 4, 2021**

5-6 p.m.


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**ENGAGE**

Engage today. Excel tomorrow! This lively session will prepare you for life post-graduation and support your quest for excellence.

*This session will also provide unique opportunities for person(s) with disabilities.*

**February 11, 2021**

5-6 p.m.


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**EXPLORE**

Explore and earn more in this out-of-box session that will showcase employment opportunities that you might not know exist.

**February 18, 2021**

5-6 p.m.


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SENIORE TO SUCCESS 2.0
QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE
VIRTUAL HIRING EVENT
FEBRUARY 25, 2021
12–2 PM

MAGNIFY YOUR POTENTIAL!
Are you ready for the workforce?
- If not, join us and learn strategies and tools for success.
- If you are, join us to meet employers and learn of job openings.

Student Registration is required.
A link for the TEAMS meeting will be sent after registering.

For more information, email Carolina Cano: ccano@houstonisd.org or Echos Blevins: echos.blevins@houstonisd.org
ATTN: Principals & CTE Administrators (CTE Teacher of the Month)
Please nominate one CTE teacher from your campus. The CTE teacher nomination is due by Thursday, February 18, 2021 of this month. You may only submit one submission each month. Click HERE to submit your CTE Teacher of the Month nomination.

Virtual Industry Speakers
Audience – Arts, Audio/Video Technology, and Communications
Our CTE Career Advising Team has an exciting opportunity for your students to engage with industry professionals from the iHeart Media company during your class. These industry professionals are excited to speak to students interested in radio, production, media, and more. Please enter and complete the following using the link to sign up for a virtual speaker. Click HERE to sign your students’ up for a virtual speaker.

CTE Teachers, you will need to include the following information:

★ Select a date: now – April 2021  
(Please keep in mind a minimum of two weeks advance notice is required)
★ Timeframe or class period time
★ Your name as a contact person
★ Your email
★ The approximate number of students (Primarily for seniors and juniors)
★ They will currently discuss a little about their company, their occupation, what it is like day-to-day, how to get started in the industry, and what are some of the other careers in the industry. If there are any other specialized areas of interest, please add it.

Once you have submitted the requested information, we will coordinate to confirm your requested date. Please allow for 5 business days; after that, then you will receive an email with additional information stating if your requested date has been approved. Please click HERE to submit your requested dates well in advance to take advantage of this opportunity!
Stand out from the crowd. You ARE a competitive job applicant!

**Students:** Join us every 2nd and 4th Tuesday for a mini lesson watch party to help prepare you for a career!

[https://tinyurl.com/hisdCareerTipTuesday](https://tinyurl.com/hisdCareerTipTuesday)

Learn from expert professionals and educators!

**FEBRUARY 2021 TOPICS:**

- Preparing for a Job Fair
- Virtual Interview 101

Click [HERE](https://tinyurl.com/hisdCareerTipTuesday) to join us every 2nd and 4th Tuesday for a mini lesson watch party!
Junior Achievement will be hosting 2 Leadership Conferences during February 2021 and are looking for at least 50 students to participate. Please share below with your campus.

Topics include: Social Media, Insurance Industry Jobs, Ethics, and Financial Literacy

February 11, 2021 from 9:00am-11:00 am
Click HERE to sign up.

NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

February 11th, 2021 | Time: 9:00am - 11:00pm
via Microsoft Teams | Open to 70 students

Topics of discussion include digital footprint, personal finance, and paying for post-secondary education.

A LEADER is someone who demonstrates what’s possible.
Topics Include: Keynote Speaker, Nursing Simulation, Engineering Simulation, Financial Aid, and Student Panel

February 24, 2021 from 9:00am-11:00am
Click HERE to sign up.
TCEA + IDEAcon Virtual Conference
February 1st-24th, 2021 | Live and On-Demand Learning

It is the global learning event of 2021! Do not miss this opportunity to learn on your own schedule, connect with peers, and access an abundance of content-specific resources.

This year, we have partnered with IDEAcon to give you a month-long, cohesive virtual conference that includes live, on-demand, and interactive elements allowing you to enjoy a full experience. You will leave with new ideas and actions that can be applied right when you are back on campus. Plus, we want everyone to share their journey of learning and teaching, so we have carved out moments for you to network with your peers around the world and build your Professional Learning Network.

REGISTER NOW!

Do not hesitate, register today for the virtual TCEA 2021!

The registration to the virtual 2021 TCEA Convention & Exposition provides campus and district-level administrators, teachers, librarians, and more with best practices and strategies for technology integration, implementation, and management. Take advantage of the six content-filled days, and with an on-demand component meant to enhance the event and make it even more accessible.
CTE Curriculum & Certifications Q&A

Do you still have questions or need support in the areas of CTE curriculum and/or certifications? Please review the available slots below and click below to sign up.

Please click HERE to schedule a meeting with a team member to discuss certifications and or curriculum.

CTE Teachers – One-to-One Instructional Support

Need support in best instructional practices, lesson planning, engagement, etc.?

Meeting Location: via Microsoft Teams
Click HERE to view available time slots.

Engaging instruction is one of 12 elements of high-quality CTE, defined in ACTE’s comprehensive, research-based Quality CTE Program of Study Framework. This element addresses instructional strategies within a student-centered learning environment that support student attainment of relevant knowledge and skills. Click HERE to find reports, articles, guides and toolkits can help you provide high-quality, engaging instruction.
High Schools with Automotive Programs for Juniors & Seniors
Shift Your Career at HCC!

ATTN: Auto Tech Instructors & CTE Administrators

Click [HERE](#) to schedule a one hour virtual Teams or in person presentation for your automotive students who are juniors and seniors. You can schedule more than one date by completing the form as many times needed.

Mr. David Vogel will be covering:

- How to find our programs on the website
- How the classes run
- Certificate vs. Associate Degree
- Cost of Programs
- Manufacturing training and more at no addition cost
- Locations we offer programs
- Opportunities in the field
- Q&A

See an overview on the next page.
The 2021 Federal Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest is here! The Texas Contest entry deadline is March 15th. You can find all of this information and more on the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation Program website. Click HERE to find information. They have expanded the styles and techniques accepted to allow for young artists’ creativity to shine through! Original works done in the following styles will be accepted: hyper-realism, impressions, cartoon, caricatures, comics, pop whimsical, fantasy, cubism, folk, ethnic and tribal. Only 2-dimensional entries will be accepted. Remember, no matter what style you choose to work in, the main subject and central focus should be on one of our live native North American waterfowl species (see species list in brochure). Feel free to share this information with others who may be interested. Contact Felice Yarbough at felice_yarbough@fws.gov if you have any questions! Learn more in the program brochure by clicking HERE.

Muses3 is offering a variety of resources for students and teachers this month. Take a look at their free February book recommendations tied to daily events in history and download free activity packs for the following: Groundhog Day – Click HERE, The Super Bowl – Click HERE, and Presidents’ Day – Click HERE.

Children’s Museum Houston is offering free 3D Virtual Field Trips. Exhibits are ready for class visits, with more to come. Learn more on how to access this virtual field trips HERE.

What types of careers get you outside, let you play with cool equipment, and help people and the environment at the same time? Join Galveston Bay Foundation’s Habitat Restoration Manager, Hailee Leija, at a current GBF wetland and oyster reef restoration site to learn more about this important habitat, check out some of the field gear her team uses, and how you can help! This will be held February 19, 2021. Learn more about this FREE session here.
Accessing GMetrix Remote Learning Options

GMetrix remote learning support article. GMetrix remote learning tutorial.

**GMetrix Technical Support:**
Email: support@gmetrix.com
Ph: 801-323-5800

For additional support or questions, please visit our Jasperactive Support Site: https://support.jasperactive.com/support/home, submit a support ticket, email help@jasperactive.com, or call our Technical Support team at 888-882-8635.

*Click here to book a client success call session with Keith German!*

Click here to know more.

The next meeting with Keith German is February 18, 2020 at 3:00pm.

**Join here for the February 18th Microsoft Teams Meeting**

Computer Science Educators – ask about Code Avengers and request free trial access. Our continued growth is directly attributed to clients such as yourself, so we truly appreciate your business. For more information about our products and services, visit our website at www.ccilearning.com.

Keith German, MCE, MIE
Regional Actualization Manager
CCI Learning™

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Employment and Training Opportunities for Youth Ages 16-24

Don’t wait any longer, let us help you to:

- Job search to get a job, keep a job, or get a better job (available year-round).
- Train for a career in demand in a field that has a bright outlook for growth.
- Obtain your GED, and/or find the funds for college.
- Learn how to be on the path towards financial stability.

Workforce Solutions provides the tools, employment connections, and opportunities that set young people in a career path that is in demand. If you are 16-24 years of age and looking for work or training, we can help. For additional information contact us by phone or email and let us know you are interested in youth services.

For more information:
Workforce Solutions – Northline
713.692.7755 ext. 0
Northline@wrksolutions.com

www wrksolutions com 1 888 469 JOBS (5627)
Dear Educators,

The Society of Women Engineers (SWE) - Houston Area Section is happy to inform you and your students of two important benefits we offer - our **College Scholarships** and **Certificates of Merit**.

We are sponsoring several **College Scholarships** for Students who are pursuing Engineering or Engineering-related fields in an ABET institution during the 2021-2022 academic year. The scholarship application is now open and closes on **March 1, 2021**. Students may apply to one or multiple scholarships through a single application which can be found [HERE](#).

Similarly, the nomination process for **Certificates of Merit** to recognize your students’ academic excellence is also open. The nomination form can be found [HERE](#) and will close on **April 9, 2021**.

We appreciate your dedication to develop the next generation of STEM professionals and hope you will join us in helping these students reach their next educational and professional goals.

All winners and nominees will be invited to the Annual Awards Banquet, which will take place late **April 2021**, will provide a final date in a follow-up email.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. (Scholarship Flyer on page 18)

Sincerely,

Society of Women Engineers (SWE)
Houston Section Scholarship Committee

[WEBSITE](#)
Houston Area Scholarship Application Now Open!

The Society of Women Engineers-Houston Area Section (SWE-HA) aspires to unify science and engineering communities through active participation in outreach events for grades K-12, Academic Scholarships, Awards & Recognition, and Professional programs.

SWE-HA wants to recognize the amazing work that Houston area students do and encourage females to pursue engineering related fields! SWE Houston has been awarding scholarships to deserving students in the Houston area for over 30 years.

Students complete one application and are considered for all scholarships for which they are eligible. (Applicants will need to indicate what scholarships they are eligible and applying for on the application.)

Please visit our website to find out about the scholarships offered and to apply: [http://www.houstonswe.org/scholarships.html](http://www.houstonswe.org/scholarships.html)

The application process is entirely online including submission of recommendation letters and transcripts. Application will be open through March 1st, 2021.

Questions? Contact us at swe.ha.scholarship@gmail.com

2021 Scholarship Application Information

Please visit [HERE](http://www.houstonswe.org/scholarships.html) to find out about the scholarships offered.
APIS WEEK 2021

February 15th - February 19th

The Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals Aerospace Professionals in Schools (APIS) Week is February 15th-19th and we invite you to be a part of the largest virtual outreach event of the year. Each day, we'll host three virtual sessions where students can tune in from wherever they are to learn more about the opportunities and careers in aerospace.

Our goal is to introduce as many students as possible to the world of aerospace! Over the course of this week, our pilots, air traffic controllers, astronauts, aerospace engineers, aircraft mechanics, meteorologists, and flight attendants will share their own career stories and answer student’s questions to inspire the next generation of aerospace professionals and set them on the path to success.

Sessions are filling fast, but there's still time to register your student!

How to participate:

• Register your student, class, or school [HERE].
• Select one of the 15, one-hour sessions available
• Once you register, share the Zoom access details with your student(s)

We hope you'll plan to be a part of this exciting event!
Gain professional and business technology skills.
Receive coaching on professional skills such as communication, teamwork, and troubleshooting.
Learn technical skills such as project management and Microsoft Suite.

Earn $10/hr through a year-long internship.
Get paid to intern at a top Houston company such as Texas Children’s Hospital, Centerpoint Energy, AIG.
Build your professional network through job shadowing, informational interviews, and relationship-building.

Receive post-high school planning support.
Partner with Genesys Works to complete college admissions, financial aid, and scholarships.
Receive help realizing your post-high school pathway, such as college, military, and the workforce.

Application Deadline: March 5, 2020
Juniors, sign up for more information at https://genesysworks.platforms.net/466205/1775=Houston
For more information, email gwhrecruitment@genesysworks.org

Genesys Works - Sign Up for more information about Genesys Works.
Apply online now [HERE](#)!
Join us. Be #GW Proud.
Apply online today.

Skills Training
Develop professional and technical skills, including public speaking and business technology.

Paid Internship
Earn $10,000 in one year at a top company such as CenterPoint Energy, AGI, or Texas Children’s Hospitals.

College & Career Support
Receive help with college applications, scholarships and financial aid.

Application Deadline: March 5, 2021
Earn $10.00/hour
Apply online now at genesysworks.org/austin

Apply online now HERE!
KUDOS!!! A big shout out to the following campuses!!! These five middle and high schools have the most usage of the Virtual Job Shadow platform throughout the district:

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Let’s take a deeper dive into VirtualJobShadow.com and highlight the center of your user’s job shadowing experience, CAREER CENTRAL. This is where you will find an extensive collection of careers to explore. Access this section of the platform by logging in to VirtualJobShadow.com (See attachment for login instructions) and selecting Career Central under the Careers tab on the top of your screen.

Use the Filter By function to filter Career Profiles by Cluster, Education, Industry, and more. In addition to the main Job Shadowing Videos and shorter Q&A Videos, each Career Profile has a Pop Quiz and Career Journal associated with it, along with a wealth of other information such as Required Education, Earnings, Future Outlook, and College Search. It is the perfect way to introduce your students to previously unheard-of careers and expose them to more information on careers of interest.

Furthermore, access the library of Life Skills Videos from the Careers tab on the top of your screen. VirtualJobShadow.com currently hosts 215 Life Skills Videos which highlight critical topics such as Social Emotional Sills, Overcoming Obstacles, Financial literacy and more!! These short 1-2-minute videos can even be assigned to students via the FlexLessons tool.

Finally, we are excited to announce the addition of our Cover Letter Builder. This new tool can be accessed from the Tools tab on the top of your screen and select Resume Builder. Access the Cover Letter Builder by scrolling down the page.

Please use any or all of the following resources to further your knowledge about the tools and functionality of this amazing platform:

- Click HERE to access the complete listing of Customer Workshops:
- Haven’t logged in to VJS yet, but want to check out some Job Shadow Videos? Click HERE.
- View next page (pg. 22) for Login Instructions for HISD
INTERACTIVE CAREER EXPLORATION & READINESS

Login Instructions for Houston Independent School District

**Step 1.**
Log into device using HISD network ID and password.

**Step 2.**
Access the PowerUp "HUB."

**Step 3.**
Access Digital Resources from the HUB.

**Step 4.**
Select Log in with Active Directory (some 6th grade students may have a badge.)

**Step 5.**
Click on Virtual Job Shadow icon in the 'Career/Technical Education' category.
Increase Rigor in CTE by Implementing \((i + 1)\)

Increase academic vocabulary in CTE courses and discuss what it means to add rigor in the classroom. CTE participants will see how to take their acquisition of content from one level to the next level. In this session, CTE participants will learn about the Input Hypothesis \((i + 1)\), which helps CTE instructors make the content more comprehensible to move from meaning to fluency, in practice and beyond.

ATTN: ALL CTE TEACHERS

Click here to join the TEAMS meeting

February 22nd, 2021
3:30pm – 4:30pm

Facilitating: Judith Loredo, Sr. CTE Career Advisor
Contact Information: 3WHITMO1@HoustonISD.org

OneSource Course #1449034
Introduction to CTE
Online Auto Curriculum – Auto Lab 2
& TEK Alignment TBD 2021-2022

February 23, 2021
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

ATTENTION:
CTE Auto Tech Instructors & CTE Administrators
who support/manage the Auto Tech Program at the campus!

Session Overview
Demo & Proposed Curriculum for Auto Tech Instructors
Career and Technical Education (CTE) Auto Tech participants will receive a
Tech-Labs introduction and overview, demonstration, introduction of LJ Create
— Auto Lab 2; certification and TEK alignment review, LMS introduction to
learning objectives, customization options, assessment, and reporting.
Automotive participants and CTE Administrators will be able to ask any
questions and review any materials during the session. Please plan to attend!

OneSource Course #1449035
Credit Hour: 1

Session Facilitators
Mark Weiss
James Deloney

Contact Information: SWHITMQ1@HoustonISD.org
Assessments, Learning Objectives & Aligning Instructional Strategies in CTE

February 25, 2021
3:30pm – 4:30pm

Session Overview

Career and Technical Education participants will interactively check their understanding and see why various forms of assessments, learning objectives and instructional strategies should align, especially teaching students whose first language is not English. Participants will also get an overview of oral language proficiency and things to consider when differentiating and planning for instruction in Career and Technical Education classes. Register now through HISD OneSourceMe Learning.

OneSource Course #1449031
Credit Hours: 1

By: Felicia Lara & Stacey Whitmore

Contact Information: SWHITMO1@HoustonISD.org
BREAKING OUT WITH

Google

“A Digital Escape Room Experience”

YOUR HOST

Darryl Legaspi

@EdTechLegaspi

Media and Digital Learning Specialist, Trainer & Innovator

Podcast Host, Board Gamer

ATTN: Middle School CTE, High School CTE

Digital Escape Rooms are rewarding to create but take some background knowledge. Google Tools? Fun and Engaging! How-to-Guide on creating a Digital Escape Room!

HISD OneSource Course #1449017
Credit Hours: 3

This is a self-paced course you can take at any time!
For OneSource instructions how to register, click HERE.

HISD Contact Information: SWHITMO1@HoustonISD.org
Phase I: OSHA 30 Ongoing Progress Development

Choose one or both of the dates you want to attend:

Wednesday, February 17th, 2021
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Thursday, February 18th, 2021
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

AUDIENCE – High School CTE Teachers onboarded for OSHA 30

Now that CTE teachers have taken the OSHA 30 onboard training, please join us for a Phase I check in to receive any new updates and ask any questions you may have regarding the OSHA 30 process. As you continue to apply best instructional practices throughout the program, reflect on how your CTE students are progressing and how CTE students will obtain and benefit from the General Industry Certification by May 7, 2021

Leading Facilitators
Ms. Felicia Lara
Mrs. Enka Acevedo
Dr. Stacey Whitmore

Register to receive the TEAMS link to join the session. For instructions how to register, click HERE.
★ Course #1449029 (February 17, 2021)
★ Course #1449028 (February 18, 2021)
CREDIT HOUR: 1

Contact Information – SWHITMO1@HoustonISD.org
WORDForce: Digital Adventures to Strengthen Early Literacy

March 4th, 2021
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

OneSource Session #1449037
via Microsoft TEAMS

EVERFI’s 15 interactive games in WORDforce help students build their literacy confidence through superhero missions-- from saving a city from cotton candy monsters to cleaning up the ocean. Students get to be the leader of a group of superheroes as they strengthen their literacy foundation and reading comprehension. The variety of fun characters like Unicorn Man and Captain Taco keep learners engaged so that they can strengthen concepts like Sight Words, Phonological Awareness, and Word Building.

Audience
Elementary Counselors & Elementary Teachers

EverFi Session Presenter
Kim-Jamy Nguyen

HISD Contact INFO:
Echos Blevins at Echos.Blevins@HoustonISD.org
Story Time

The Career Readiness Department invites our elementary family to join us for "Story Time," our new interactive hour where students can engage in Career Ready concepts and conversations. Lessons and activities will be available for continued at-home exploration. Sessions are hosted on Teams. Click HERE for Career Ready Wagon Story Time links, dates, and times!

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Career Scouts is a new Career Ready initiative that promotes virtual career exploration for elementary grades 3rd through 5th. Troop Members can earn Career Ready merit badges at their own pace by completing and submitting Career and Technical Education cluster activities. Activities will guide students through the 16 career clusters and pathways offered in HISD. For every four badges received, scouts will graduate to the next Career Ready level. Four levels in total for a total of 16 badges to obtain the title of Senior Scout. Every week a, "Scout of the Week" will be selected and highlighted. Enrollment and activities are free to everyone. Join today! Lessons Coming Soon!
Culinary Arts Remote Learning Resources

by Reggie Vincent

Culinary Remote Learning Resources
The below link contains assignment documents, lesson videos, example ingredient kits photos, and kit supplies budgets from the Advanced Culinary class at Deer Park High School. Click HERE!

Culinary Remote Student Submission Example
The below link contains an example of a remote student’s braised chicken demonstration. It includes photos, videos, and a narrative reflection. To view the example and access the link, click HERE!

Floral Design Kit Pickup Sign-up Form Example
The below link was sent to the Floral Design students to sign up for a kit pickup time. To view the example and access the link, click HERE!

Money Matters Workbook Pickup Sign-up Form
The below link was sent to all Money Matters students to determine pickup times for the remote learners. To view the example and access the link, click HERE!