

# **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Fellowship Program is to:

- Establish a leadership development program for CTE Educators in OkACTE & assist individuals in further developing their leadership skills in CTE & their involvement in professional associations.
- Provide an opportunity for CTE Educators to become familiar with & participate in the processes used by policy makers in the development & implementation of laws, regulations, & other public policies at the local & state levels.
- · Identify, train & motivate a cadre of leaders who will continue to position OkACTE as a leader in developing an educated, prepared, adaptable & competitive workforce.

## PROGRAM OF WORK

The Fellowship Program is a one-year commitment from **August-August**. Each participant will complete the required activities and submit a final portfolio of their accomplishments to the Fellowship Coordinator. The portfolio will include the following activities subdivided into three categories: Leadership, Policy & Professional Development:

### <u>Leadership</u>

- 1. Interview by phone or in-person with a currentleader in Career & Technical Education.
- 2. Participate in book study and discussion.
- 3. Participate in a "board shadow" to observe an ODCTE Board meeting.
- 4. Attend at least one state committee meeting (Awards, Comprehensive Professionals Council (CPC), Diversity Action, Membership Services, Mutual Benevolence Plan or Political Action Committee (PAC).
- 5. Work with other Fellows to present a session on your experience with the OkACTE Fellowship Program at Region IV.
- 6. Attend the OkACTE CTAC annual meeting held in conjunction with Oklahoma Summit.
- 7. Attend Leadership OkACTE & write a summary about what you learned about leadership.
- 8. Prepare to summarize what you learned/gained from the OkACTE Fellowship Program experience to be shared as a Fellows Blast.

#### Policy

- 1. Conduct an in-person visit with a local elected official (guidance to be given) & prepare a report of the experience.
- 2. Conduct an in-person visit with a state legislator (guidance to be given) & prepare a report of the experience.
- 3. Attend Legislative Seminar or OkACTE Fellows Day at the Capitol and prepare a "Fellows Blast."

#### **Professional Development**

- 1. Participate in monthly video conference call with Fellowship Coordinator & Fellows.
- 2. Attend at least two OkACTE events; Oklahoma Summit and Region IV Conference.
- 3. Be willing to serve as a mentor within your division to recruit future Fellows.
- 4. Contribute to "Fellows Blast" over the course of theyear to be shared with membership.

## PROGRAM INCENTIVES

The Fellows will receive paid registration to attend ACTE's Region IV conference.

Each selected Fellow will also receive recognition on the OkACTE website, participate in leadership during Oklahoma Summit, ACTE Region IV Conference and be recognized during the General Session at Oklahoma Summit.

In an effort to provide continuous support to the selected Fellows, each OkACTE Division will be asked to endorse candidate(s) from their respective divisions.

# **SELECTION**

The OkACTE Fellows will be identified by a selection process approved by their respective division. The selection factors will be based on the fellowship application & supporting materials. Please note that applicants may be asked to attend an interview session with the selection committee.

### **CRITERIA**

Fellowships are limited to OkACTE members who have at least one year of work in Career & Technical Education.

#### **Applicants must submit:**

- 1. A completed the electronic application form.
- 2. **Letter of Intent:** A one-page letter expressing your interest in & commitment to serving as an OkACTE Fellow; and how you intend to use the learning obtained as a result of the Fellowship.

All requirements of the application must be completed to be considered. Please submit your application by the **May 17, 2024** deadline. Successful applicants will be notified once the selection committee reaches a decision.

\*\*Please note, all selected fellows are required to attend Leadership OkACTE, scheduled for September 29 - October 1, 2024.

If you have any questions or need assistance incompleting your application, please contact:

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