VACTEA Program of Work

The “Program of work” is an established set of guidelines that define the work of the VACTEA association.

**Leadership and Program Promotion**
1. To support the continuation of the integration of Virginia’s career and technical education curriculum and core academics by reinforcing the Standards of Learning.
2. To support and promote the implementation of licensures, industry certifications, and occupational assessments in career and technical education curriculum.
3. To advocate for programs, such as Technical Centers, Career Pathways, Governor’s Health Sciences Academies, Microsoft Imagine Academy Partnership, and Governor’s STEM Academies that integrate Virginia’s secondary and postsecondary career and technical education curriculum and programs that focus on workforce development, with the SOL and postsecondary academic requirements.
4. To work cooperatively with the Virginia Association for career and technical education (Virginia ACTE) to bring strength and unity to our state career and technical education system and to promote membership in organizations that support career and technical education programs at all levels.

**Leadership Development Activities**
1. To develop a leadership development program in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Education for new administrators of career and technical education.
2. To sponsor an annual conference in cooperation with the Virginia Department of Education for career and technical education administrators to serve as a stimulus for new ideas and approaches for local programs and to promote effective program planning, financial management, and data reporting.
3. To work cooperatively with the Virginia Department of Education in offering training to support and implement the federal legislation for career and technical education.
4. To maintain strong regional organizations providing support for region members and work to increase career and technical education opportunities for students in the region.
5. To collaborate with Virginia ACTE, other professional organizations, and business and industry to provide professional development for career and technical education Educators.

**Legislative Information**
1. To continue to support a position for a legislative liaison to disseminate appropriate career and technical education information to regional representatives.
2. To secure knowledgeable speakers to provide up-to-date state and federal information about career and technical education to regional representatives.
3. To support legislation and/or policies needed to provide rigorous and relevant career and technical education.

**Membership Services**
1. To sponsor and support activities that will provide recognition for VACTEA members for distinguished service to career and technical education at the local, state, and national levels.
2. To provide relevant information to members through the regional VACTE network, VACTEA Website and email distribution, and the VACTEA newsletter.
3. To analyze membership data to determine localities to promote VACTEA participation.
4. To provide an informative conference where CTE administrators can gather and share best practices.