



2021 Jump Start Virtual Convention

January 26 – 27, 2021

1:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Schedule at a Glance

January 26, 2021

Opening Session

Day One

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- Welcome, Jessica Vallelungo, Executive Director of Quality Diplomas
- State of CTE in Louisiana, Dr. Cade Brumley, Louisiana State Superintendent of Education
- Jump Start Construction Connect Scholarship, Quintin Taylor, LCTCS and Nicholas Johnson, The TJC Group



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Topics	Presenters
Regional Economic Leaders discuss and share occupational forecasting for high wage, high demand in their economic region. Leaders also discuss the short and long term impact of COVID19 on the employment landscape. Hear about jobs available now and in the future and what skills are needed to attain those jobs.	
Parishes Covered: Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany	<p>Josh Tatum Greater New Orleans, Inc. (GNO)</p>
Parishes Covered: Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Washington, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana	<p>Liz Smith Baton Rouge Area Chamber (BRAC)</p>
Parishes Covered: Acadia, Assumption, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, Lafourche, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary, Terrebonne, Vermilion	<p>Ryan LaGrange One Acadiana</p>
Parishes Covered: Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson Davis, Vernon	<p>Richard "R.B." Smith Southwest Louisiana Economic Development Alliance</p>
Parishes Covered: Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Rapides, Winn	<p>Jim Clinton Central LA Economic Dev. Alliance, (CLEDA)</p>
Parishes Covered: Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, DeSoto, Lincoln, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine, Webster	<p>Angie White North LA Economic Partnership (NLEP)</p>
Parishes Covered: Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll	<p>Tana Trichel NE LA Economic Alliance (NELEA)</p>
Parishes Covered: Statewide	<p>Susana Schowen LED FastStart</p>



Concurrent Sessions 2

Day One

Topics	Presenters
<p>The Future of STEM Careers in Louisiana A panel of STEM industry leaders will discuss the future of Louisiana’s STEM workforce. Topics will include the school to work pipeline, hiring trends and forecasting, how COVID has affected the STEM employment landscape, and how schools can best partner with industry to benefit their students and their communities.</p>	<p>Panel Members: Greg Bowser, Louisiana Chemical Association Bill Bradley, CenturyLink Jerry Lebold, Geismar BASF Michael Shaffer, Altice USA Tom Yura, Cornerstone Chemical Company</p>
<p>Equity and Access in Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs The Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (Perkins V) focuses on reviewing data of students in subgroups (gender, race, and special populations) as a necessary aspect of improving equitable access. This session will (1) review the changes in Perkins V related to Special Populations and address the significance of equity and access, (2) illustrate how data may be used to evaluate progress in improving outcomes for Special Populations and (3) provide resources and supports for improving equity and access to CTE programs for all students, especially Special Populations.</p>	<p>Martha Moore LA Community & Technical College System (LCTCS) Brittney Williams LA Community & Technical College System (LCTCS)</p>
<p>Using Student Planning Partners to Maximize Student Opportunities When Choosing Pathways A panel of student planning partners will explore the various ways they are building comprehensive programs to support the student planning process - before, during and after high school.</p>	<p>Panel Members: Joe Lewis, Opportunity Now Stephanie Moreau, Career Compass Felicia Young, Higher Minds of Education, LLC</p>
<p>Earning College Credit Creating rigorous Career and Technical Education programs that blend Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement into course sequencing.</p>	<p>Meredith McGovern Louisiana Department of Education</p>
<p>Scholarships A deeper look into TOPS Tech and scholarships search engines websites.</p>	<p>Ebony Holmes LA Office of Student Financial Assistance (LOFSA)</p>
<p>Fast Forward The Fast Forward Program will prepare students for current and emerging professions that expose students to high-skill, high-wage and in-demand occupations. Students in the Fast Forward Program will have the option to participate in one of three pathways: Fast Forward Jump Start 2.0 Pathway, Fast Forward TOPS University Pathway and Fast Forward High-Demand Apprenticeship Pathway. Come learn and ask questions about the open RFA to build a program in your region!</p>	<p>Stephanie Marcum Louisiana Department of Education</p>



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Moderator: Jessica Vallelungo

School System Panel Members: **Ronda Matthews**, Ascension, **Dr. Therese Ellender**, St. Landry and **Dr. Darrell Hampton**, DeSoto Parish



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<p>CTE's Impact on a Student's Emotional Well-Being "When am I ever going to use this?" Career and Technical education classrooms often provide students with a space to connect their educational courses to their career aspirations. This session will provide information on creating positive and respectful classroom cultures that support student's social-emotional needs in Career and Technical Education classroom. Combining technical skills attainment and social-emotional learning will help instructors foster leadership and employability skills in their students.</p>	<p>Lisa French Louisiana Department of Education</p>