

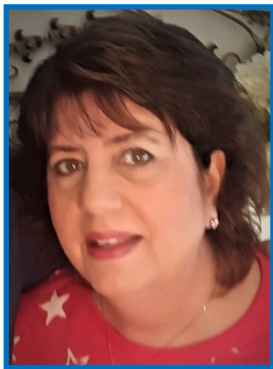


North Dakota Career & Technical Education
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Newsletter

Bonnie Schuchard Retires from CTE



Bonnie Schuchard, Administrative Assistant for North Dakota Career and Technical Education, is retiring from the state department. Her last day is May 3, 2021.

Bonnie worked on the 15th floor of the Capitol for the past 34 years. She has worked for the assistant state director, fiscal officer and assistant fiscal officer, JTPA, Dropout Prevention, Trade, Industry, Technical and Health Sciences, School-to-Work and Tech Prep, Private Career Schools, and most recently Technology and Engineering Education. She has enjoyed working with teachers and students involved in TSA.

Bonnie said, "I will always appreciate the experience, knowledge, and lifelong friendships I gained during my many years on the 15th floor." Now, it's time for Bonnie and her husband Jeff to enjoy their children and grandchildren. They are looking forward to their sport events, school events, sleep overs and making all of their favorite foods. They plan to enjoy traveling more and spending morning walks along the ocean.

Wayde Sick, State Director said, "On behalf of the Department of Career and Technical Education, I would like to thank Bonnie for her years of service. Happy retirement."

Reuben T. Guenthner Scholarship Winner

The Reuben T. Guenthner Scholarship Selection Committee has chosen McKenzie Johnson of Richland #44 School District in Colfax to receive the 2021-2022 award. McKenzie will attend North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton this fall in order to obtain a degree as an Occupational Therapy Assistant. Congratulations!

She was involved in FFA and FCCLA and completed courses in Agricultural Education, Family and Consumer Sciences Education, and Health Education. She said, "CTE classes are my favorite classes and they have helped me find my career path. I have learned the value of community service, developed a great work ethic, gained communication skills and learned how to be a responsible student."



Dates of Interest

June 7-10, 2021
FFA Convention
Fargo

June 14-16, 2021
CTSO Leadership Training
Mandan

July 15, 2021
Deadline for Early
Registration for CTE
Conference

July 30, 2021
Final Pre-Conference
Registration for CTE
Conference

August 9-11, 2021
North Dakota CTE
Professional Development
Conference, Bismarck

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From a Workshop at the North Dakota CTE PDC to Market Day in Oakes

It all started when Youth Entrepreneurs (YE) provided a workshop at the CTE Professional Development Conference. Then, YE presented to high school students in Fargo at a CTSO conference. From that, Market Day was born. Here is the story.



It all started with “dirt” and “worms” which led into the first ever student run Market Day at SRCTC. Pudding, gummy worms and Oreos sure caught the attention of the students when these items were brought out during class. They were a good treat...but only after a little “work.” Students were tasked with calculating the Cost of

Goods Sold (COGS) for these food products, plus the napkins and spoons. After they figured out what the COGS was, then



MARKET DAY!

Our first ever student run pop-up shop!

April 1, 2021 • 11 AM-1 PM

Community Room!

****Please come inside out of the elements****

- Homemade candles
- Shoe cleaning
- Hot Dogs & Fixin's
- Pop Floats
- Hot Ham n' Cheese
- Tornado Car Decals
- Tornado Baseball T's
- Bavarian Nuts
- and more!

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they needed to figure out what the cost per unit was, assuming they would sell these products as a complete “dirt cup” treat. Lastly, students shared what pricing strategy they would use to set a price on the product and how much of a profit they would generate. This then led into brainstorming ideas for their own pop-up business for Market Day!

The next step of the process involved figuring out costs and how they were going to pay for their start-up business. Students had the opportunity to borrow money, but had to give a pitch to their loan officer, Mrs. Gemar, before being approved for funds. Some even put their own equity into the project! They planned, prepped and prepared social media posts to help with their marketing. To wrap things up, students calculated what their Return on investment (ROI) was for their business.

Ice cream, decals, food, homemade candles, Bavarian Nuts, and shoe cleaning were all small businesses that took part in Market Day, with many businesses selling out. Fifteen students from Oakes and one student from Sargent Central participated in what was a very successful day. It was so exciting to see all the support from the community, teachers and fellow classmates. This will hopefully be a learning experience they won't forget!



State Director's Column

- Wayde Sick, Director, North Dakota Career and Technical Education

Legislative Update: Assembly Adjourned

As you read this, the 67th North Dakota Legislative Assembly should be adjourned. The North Dakota Constitution allows 80 days for legislative session, which is May 4th. If the Legislature uses all its 80 days, it will take a request of the Governor to call the Legislature back into session.



Below are a few highlights that directly impact North Dakota Career and Technical Education since my last update. Keep in mind, some of these updates may be outdated as of writing this, the Assembly is still working.

The House and Senate have concurred on SB2019, or the ND Department of Career and Technical Education appropriations bill. The results are as follows:

The Senate version held CTE secondary grants whole, with increases of \$1.5 million for cost to continue and \$1 million for new and expanding CTE programs. House Appropriations E&E decreased the cost to continue from \$1.5M to \$1M. The Conference Committee increased the secondary the cost to continue by \$250,000. The total allocation for secondary grants for the 2021-23 biennium will be \$26,837,780.

The Senate reduced the Marketplace for Kids program from \$300,000 to \$250,000. The House has discussed restoring the \$50,000 cut. The Conference Committee agreed on the restoration of the funds.

The Senate reduced the TrainND program from \$2M to \$1.9M, but the House has discussed restoring the \$100,000 cut. The Conference Committee agreed with the House.

The Senate reduced the Farm Management Education program by \$138,111, bringing the line item to \$1,756,138. The House has discussed an additional \$50,000 reduction, bringing the appropriation to \$1,706,138. The Conference Committee agreed with the reduction.

Please visit the ND Secretary of State website to review SB2019.

<http://sos.nd.gov/legislative-bills-and-information/bills-and-resolutions-adopted-2017-65th-legislative-assembly/senate-bills>

A bill that, at the time of this writing, is not decided is HB1015, which is Office of Management and Business Appropriation Bill. The reason for interest in HB1015 is an amendment was added to include \$78 million for the intent to create grants to build, renovate and purchase equipment for new and expanding CTE centers and programs. The award range would be \$500,000 to \$10 million. This bill is not finalized and will need to be agreed upon by a Conference Committee and both Chambers.

I will provide a final update in the June Newsletter.

To review any bills being acted upon in the 67th Legislative Assembly, including video and submitted testimony, please visit the North Dakota Legislative Branch website, linked below.

[67th Legislative Assembly | North Dakota Legislative Branch \(nd.gov\)](http://67thlegislativeassembly.nd.gov)

Check out our website at www.cte.nd.gov

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Professional Development Conference

***August 9-11, 2021
Bismarck Event Center***

Register at

www.cte.nd.gov/pdc

Registration Fee

May 3-July 15 - \$75

July 16-30 - \$100

August 9-10 - \$125

Valuable Professional Development for CTE Teachers

- Tracy Becker, Trades, Industry, and Technical Education, Supervisor

With the 20-21 school year coming to a close, many teachers are looking to the fall and what preparation they need to take this summer to start their year off on a high note. During this year's SkillsUSA's Virtual NLSC, the Academy of Excellence in CTE and SkillsUSA has opportunities available for both SkillsUSA Advisors and all CTE Teachers to take advantages of workshops tied to Work-based Learning, High-Quality CTE Program Development, New Advisor Training and much, MUCH more!

As a pre-conference opportunity, Engage is a professional development training conference designed to help teachers better understand and implement educational best practices, as well as leadership development materials and interactive resources available through SkillsUSA. During this year's Engage conference, teachers will be equipped with some of the 9 Essential Skills for the Love and Logic Classroom. Educators are bracing for – or are already experiencing – the mental health crisis experts know is plaguing many students as a result of the

pandemic. Come and learn from Dr. Fay, CEO of Love and Logic, a trained Love and Logic facilitator, and a trained facilitator on the SkillsUSA Framework and educational resources. Participants will develop skills that will help them engage with students in meaningful, respectful, and caring ways to help them get the most learning out of your classroom.

Conference Professional Development sessions begin on Tuesday June 22nd and require paid registration to the conference. Engage will be held virtually Saturday, June 19th, from 11:30 a.m. (ET) to 4:30 p.m. (ET), and Monday, June 21st from 11:30 a.m. (ET) to 2:30 p.m. (ET).

The cost of the Engage conference is \$50 in addition to the regular \$95 conference registration. Engage can be attended without registering for the conference.

For more information on Conference Professional Development or Engage, and how to register please visit www.skillsusand.org.



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CTSO Leadership Perspective

Career and Technical Education classes and TSA have really helped me broaden both my knowledge base and my skill sets. From the classes to the competitions, I have learned and experienced many things that I probably wouldn't have otherwise. They are all skills that will help me greatly in life.

TSA is my main experience from Career and Technical Student Organizations, and it has assisted me in trying to figure out what I want to do with my life. The ability to try many new things and see if they work out has been very helpful to me and I really appreciate all that CTE classes and TSA have taught me.

Gus Zettel is the 2020-2021 NDTSA Secretary from Dickinson High School. He is also the 2021-2022 NDTSA President Elect



Choice Ready Curriculum in RUReady.ND.gov

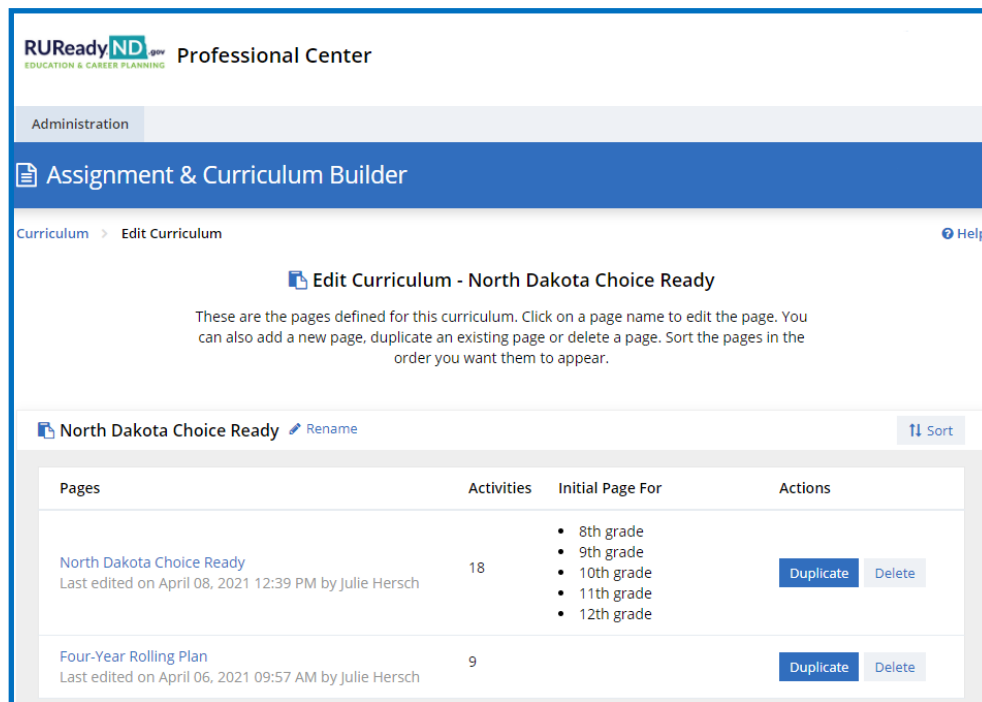
-Julie Hersch, Career Resource Network, Supervisor

Choice Ready is a new component in the North Dakota Accountability system to measure whether our high schools are producing students who are ready for success upon graduation. The metrics outlined within the Choice Ready initiative are intended to measure growth for North Dakota high schools, as indicated by student readiness upon high school graduation. The **Choice Ready** framework is inclusive of all students, helping students prepare for their future and enhance their success beyond high school and is a tool to assist educators to ensure all students successfully depart high school possessing the

Essential Skills necessary to be ready for life and to be successful in whichever path they choose so that they leave high school **Post-Secondary Ready**, **Workforce Ready**, and/or **Military Ready**.

To be considered **Choice Ready**, students must complete each section of the **Choice Ready** framework starting with **Essential Skills** which begins with the overarching goal of having all students earn a North Dakota high school diploma and meets the three key requirements for all graduates as required in the North Dakota Century Code (NDCC): **Complete a 9-week course on Exploring Career Decisions (Course Code 20005) or individual counseling with each student (NDCC 15.1-21-18); Financial Literacy (NDCC 15.1-21-21); Pass ND Civics Test (NDCC 15.1-21-27)**. Students must then complete 4 of the 8 criteria for **Essential Skills**. Next, students must meet the requirements for accountability purposes to demonstrate readiness in two of the three pathways, **Post-Secondary Ready**, **Workforce Ready**, and/or **Military Ready**. The expectation is for schools to increase the percentage of students graduating choice ready each year. A **Choice Ready** graduate is defined as a student who has met [the criteria for Essential Skills](#) and has met the criteria in at least two of the three pathways.

The **Choice Ready** initiative includes a report at the student level using a data interface via the SLDS portal. Each district must complete the **Choice Ready** report by June 30 each year. The report is completed using available data for each student on the elements included in the **Choice Ready** framework. This is where **RUReady.ND.gov** can help.



RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center

Administration

Assignment & Curriculum Builder

Curriculum > Edit Curriculum

Edit Curriculum - North Dakota Choice Ready

These are the pages defined for this curriculum. Click on a page name to edit the page. You can also add a new page, duplicate an existing page or delete a page. Sort the pages in the order you want them to appear.

North Dakota Choice Ready [Rename](#) [Sort](#)

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Four-Year Rolling Plan Last edited on April 06, 2021 09:57 AM by Julie Hersch	9		Duplicate Delete

RUReady.ND.gov can be used to build a curriculum for gathering and tracking the completion of the indicators of the **Choice Ready** elements. The Career Resource Network built a **Choice Ready** curriculum template within the Professional Center of **RUReady.ND.gov** that is available to all RUReady Professional users with administration access. The **Choice Ready** curriculum can be copied and edited to your school's specifications and used to gather **Choice Ready** data from students. Some **Choice Ready** data is auto populated into the **Choice Ready** report in the ND Education Portal from PowerSchool. The **Choice Ready** curriculum is set up to gather the data that isn't auto populated from PowerSchool, i.e. **Essential Skills** elements like; Community Service and Service Learning, Job Shadow Experiences, Extra-curricular/Co-curricular Activities; **Post-Secondary Ready** elements such as; SAT and IB exams; **Workforce Ready** elements like; apprenticeships, internships, work experiences; and **Military Ready** elements such as; ASVAB score. Also included in the **Choice Ready** curriculum are activities that can be used to document completion of a **Four-Year Rolling Plan** every year starting in 8th grade. Once students complete the activities assigned in the **Choice Ready** curriculum, users can create reports showing student completion to use when reporting in their ND Education Portal's **Choice Ready** report account. If you are interested in learning more about how to obtain the **Choice Ready** curriculum and use it as a resource for gathering Choice Ready reportable elements contact Julie or Laura at the [Career Resource Network](#).

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Mission of CTE

The mission of the State Board for Career and Technical Education is to work with others to provide all North Dakota citizens with the technical skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary for successful performance in a globally competitive workplace.

CTE Professional Development Conference

The CTE Professional Development Conference is the premier conference for Career and Technical Education teachers, counselors, and administrators in North Dakota. We are expecting over 600 participants at the conference which will be at the Bismarck Event Center. Registration is scheduled to open on May 3rd. Information is located on the CTE website www.cte.nd.gov/pdc and will be updated in a timely manner.

The following highlights only a few of the conference agenda items.

- Business and industry representatives from across the state will be at our Industry Round Tables on Monday afternoon. This is your chance to sit with a business and industry representative and hear what they are looking for in employees.
- Three general sessions will be held this year:
 - General Session I will be held on Monday with national award winning professional speaker Andy Masters. This is scheduled at 12:30 pm on Monday afternoon.
 - General Session II will be held on Tuesday morning at 8:00 am.
 - General Session III will be held on Tuesday (12:00 pm) will be an awards session and will include lunch for all conference participants.
- Feature sessions and special training on Work-based Learning will be held on Tuesday. Program area sessions will be held on Wednesday and Thursday.

More updates and format changes to be shared on the CTE website.

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