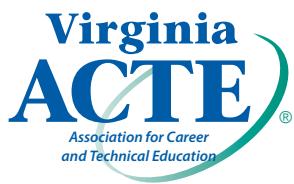


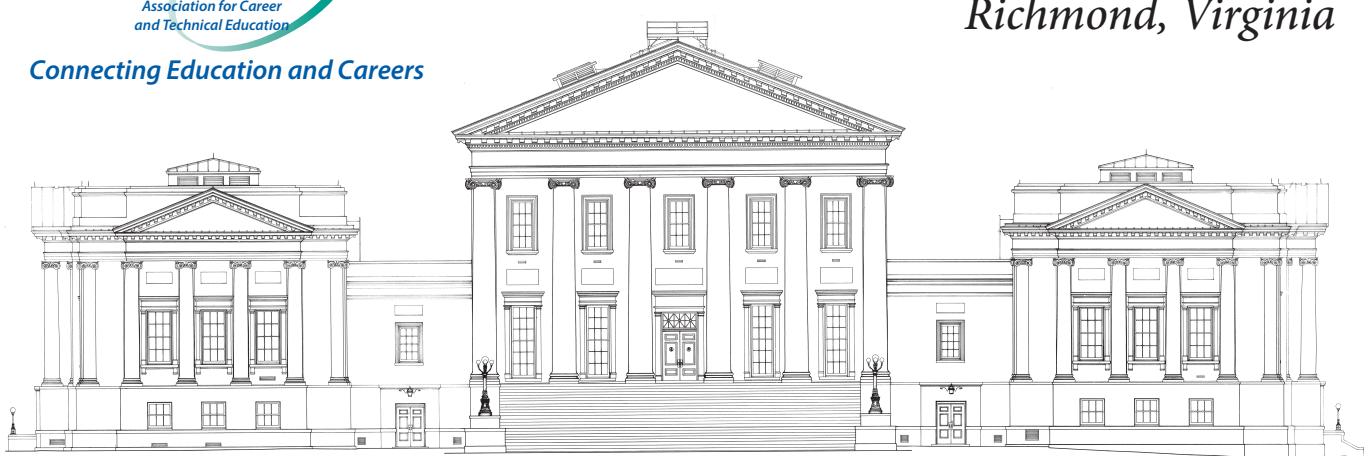
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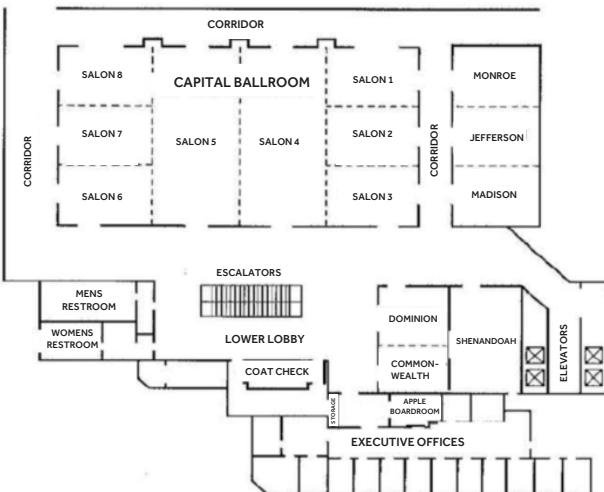


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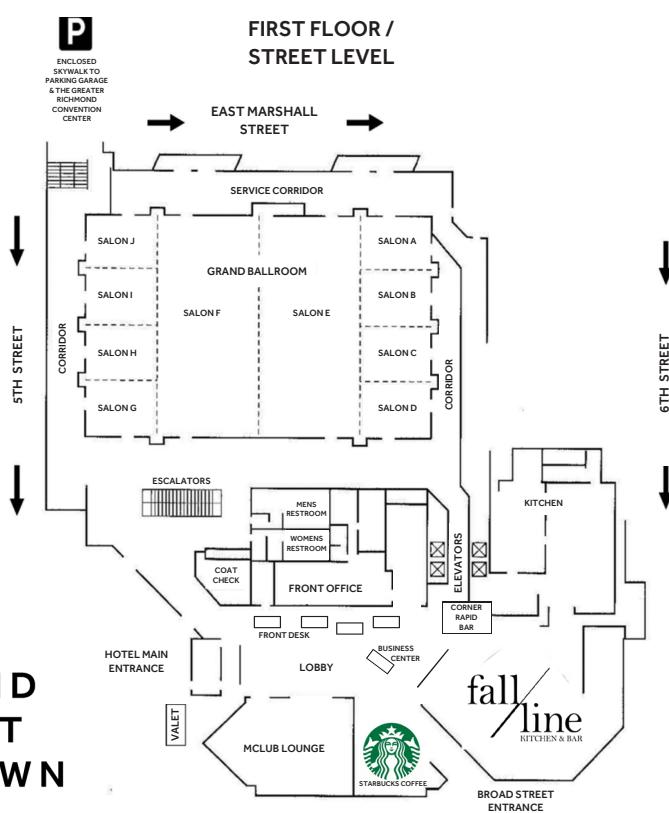


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2025-2026 Meeting Dates

- September 11, 2025
- October 9, 2025 (virtual)
- December 4, 2025
- January 14, 2026
- March 19, 2026
- May 14, 2026

In-person meetings will be at the CTE Resource Center.



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Wednesday, January 14

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| Noon–3 p.m. | Virginia ACTE Board of Directors Meeting | Shenandoah |
| 1 p.m.–3:30 p.m. | VACTEA New Administrator Leadership Development | Salon 5 |
| 4 p.m.–5:30 p.m. | Industry Tour–Dominion Energy Operations Center | Hotel lobby at 3:40 p.m. |
| 6 p.m.–8 p.m. | VACTEA Board of Directors Meeting | Shenandoah |

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Thursday, January 15

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| 7 a.m.–5:30 p.m. | Exhibitor Set-up/Display | Capital Foyer/Salons 1-2-3 |
| 8 a.m.–8:45 a.m. | First Timer's Orientation | Shenandoah |
| 8 a.m.–8:45 a.m. | Breakfast Buffet | Capital Foyer |
| 8 a.m.–5 p.m. | Registration | Lower Level Coatroom |
| 9 a.m.–9:45 a.m. | Opening Session Bo Bundrick , President Virginia ACTE George "Bryan" Slater Secretary of Labor, Commonwealth of Virginia Nicole Overley Commissioner, Virginia Works | Salons 4-5 |
| 9:50 a.m.–10 a.m. | Refreshment Break | Capital Foyer |
| 10 a.m.–Noon | Professional Learning Session I 10 a.m. —CTSO Student Presentation Abigail Sanders , State President, SkillsUSA CTSO Representatives, 2025–2026 DECA: Brendan Rockefeller (state president) Lake Braddock Secondary School, Fairfax County Public Schools FBLA: Elise Jacobs (state president) Graham High School, Tazewell County Public Schools FCCLA: Veronica Yorro (state president) Page County High School, Page County Public Schools Joey Miller (national first president) Page County High School, Page County Public Schools FFA: Savannah Jones (FFA representative) Appomattox County High School, Appomattox County Public Schools | Salons 4-5 |

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- Abigail Sanders** (state president)
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Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology,
Fairfax County Public Schools
- Avni Patel** (national treasurer)
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10:10 a.m.—CTECS Highlights

Ken Potthoff, Deputy Executive Director
Career and Technical Education Consortium of States

10:20 a.m.—Workforce Development in Architecture & Construction

Jeremy Jenkins, Project Executive/Operations Lead
Clark Construction and Technologies

10:40 a.m.—Instruction 2 Industry

Matt Bechtel, Work-based Learning Specialist
Fairfax County Public Schools

Jennifer Stevens, President and Chief Executive Officer
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11 a.m.—Bringing Ethics to the High School Classroom

Karen Roberts, Nutrition and Wellness Instructor

Portsmouth Public Schools

11:20 a.m.–12:10 p.m. Break/Visit Exhibitors Capital Foyer/Salons 1-2-3

12:15 p.m.–1:45 p.m. Awards Luncheon Salons 4-5

Welcome

Bo Bundrick, President, Virginia ACTE

Presentation of Colors

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Jewell Booker, STEM Faculty

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Greetings from the Virginia Department of Education

Dr. J. Anthony Williams, Director

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Invocation

Arnaz Dotivala, President-elect, Virginia ACTE

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Luncheon

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Closing

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- Community Service Hours:** A section showing requirements for 12 entries across Rolling Hills High School, East Plains High, 9th Grade, and 10th Grade. It shows 4 Declined, 10 Needs Verification, and 22 Completed entries.
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2:20 p.m.-3 p.m.

Professional Learning Session II

Salons 4-5

2:20p.m.—Student Experiences and the Talent Pipeline

Silvia Garcia-Romero and Jenny Carter
Sentara Healthcare

2:40 p.m.—Bridging the Gap: Connecting Security Certifications to Cybersecurity Internships

Crystal Torbush, Cybersecurity Teacher
Louisa County Public Schools

3 p.m.—Higher Education CTE Programs and Opportunities (Panel Discussion)

Danny Keffer, Director of Education Outreach
Shenandoah University

Dr. Stacie Davis, School of Business and Industrial Trades
Reynolds Community College

Dr. Natalie Ferand, Assistant Professor, School of Education
Virginia Tech

Dr. Kimberly "Missy" Ogden, Director, EducateVA
Community College Workforce Alliance

Dr. Trina Spencer, Professor, Teaching and Learning
Virginia State University

4 p.m.-4:45 p.m.

Business Meeting/Policy Update

Salons 4-5

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| 7:30 p.m.–9 p.m. | Hospitality (Sponsored by Diversified Educational Systems and RRMM Architects) | Capital Foyer |
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Friday, January 16

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| 7:30 a.m.–8:15 a.m. | Breakfast Buffet Presiding Bo Bundrick , President, Virginia ACTE Catherine Imperatore Research and Content Director, Association for Career and Technical Education | Salons 4-5 |
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The Honorable Bonita Anthony

92nd District, Virginia House of Delegates
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| 8:15 a.m. | Leave for General Assembly Building (three-block walk) | Hotel Lobby |
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| 8:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m. | Networking with Policymakers and Stakeholders | General Assembly |
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| 8:40 a.m.–10 a.m. | Professional Learning Session III 8:40 a.m.—Teaching the Future Without Waiting for Permission Dr. B.J. Crowder , Assistant Director of Workforce and Career Development Henrico County Public Schools | Salons 4-5 |
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9 a.m.—Virginia ACTE Fellows

Laura Smith, Drafting/CAD Teacher

Washington County Career & Technical Education Center, Washington County Public Schools

9:20 a.m.—Implementing a Collaborative Manufacturing Program

Bo Bundrick, Director of Career and Technical Education

Louisa County Public Schools

Kathy Verell, Grants Specialist

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9:40 a.m.—The Road Map to Regional Partnerships

Shirley Bazdar, Director, Programs

Claude Moore Opportunities

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| 10 a.m.-11 a.m. | Network with Exhibitors | Capital Foyer/Salons 1-2-3 |
| 10 a.m.-11 a.m. | Raffles | Capital Foyer |
| 11 a.m.-11:45 a.m. | Guest Speaker Virginia Office of Education Economics | Salons 4-5 |
| 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. | Closing Session/Luncheon Presiding Bo Bundrick , President, Virginia ACTE Participants' Reports Raffle Drawing Adjournment | Salons 4-5 |
| 1 p.m.-3 p.m. | VTEEA Board of Directors Meeting | Shenandoah |

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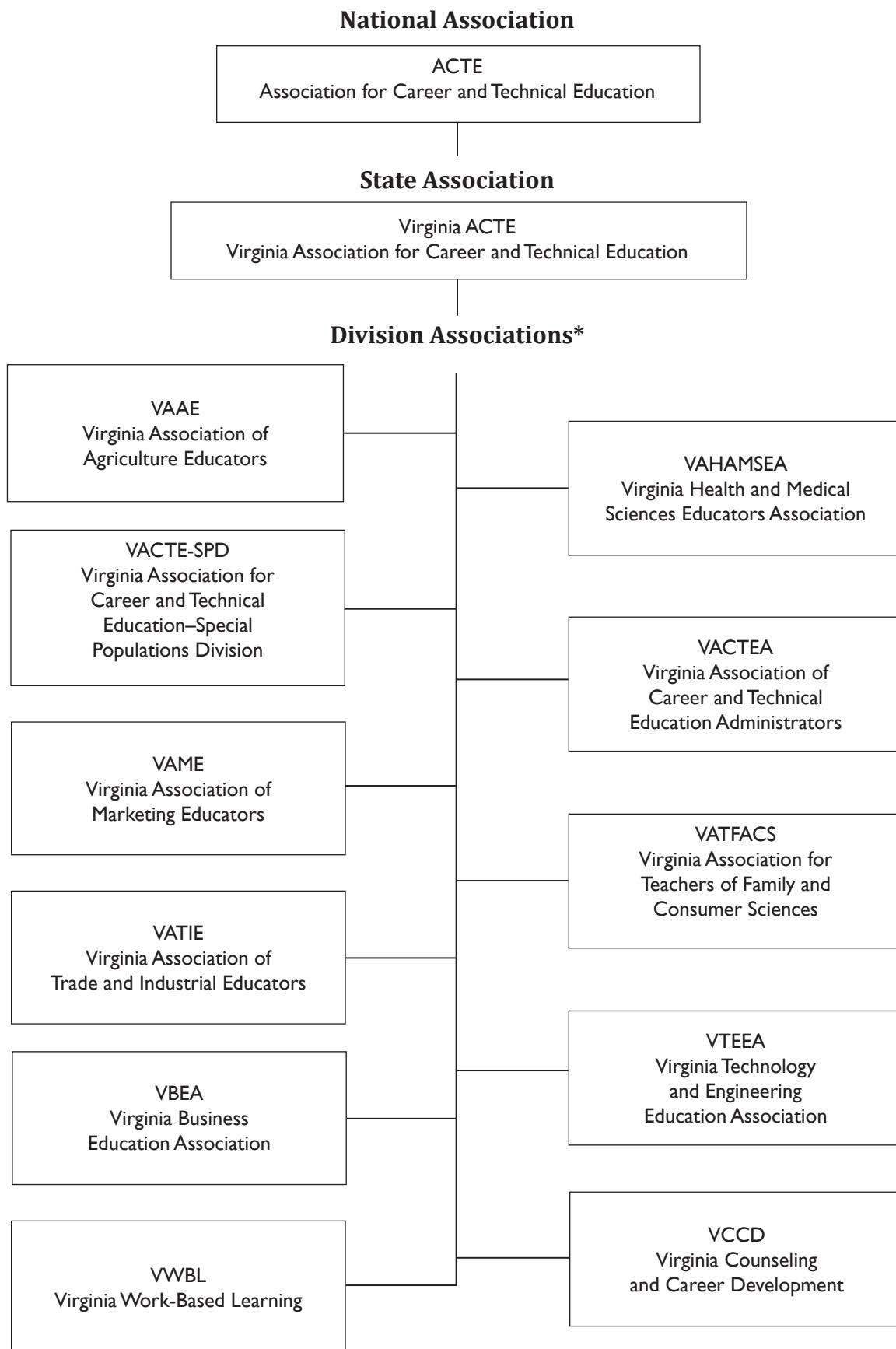
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