

"Sometimes opportunities float right past your nose. Work hard, apply yourself, and be ready. When an opportunity comes you can grab it."

- Julie Andrews

Thanks to each of you who gave input and attended the Curriculum Hours and Objectives discussions! We will soon have them posted for you to review and make comment on—watch future Did You Know newsletters!

1. Just as reading, writing, and general literacy are dedicated subjects, has the time come to intentionally designate a classroom period of the school day to specifically focus **on digital citizenship and literacy?**

**Full Story:** [Tech & Learning](#)

2. **4 Tips for Designing AI-Resistant Assessments:** Generative AI tools have the potential to dramatically reshape how students approach their assignments. While AI can assist in various learning tasks, it presents challenges for educators, especially when students might use it to complete assignments with minimal original input. It then becomes critical for educators to design assessments that are not easily solvable by generative AI tools and foster higher-level thinking skills as represented by Bloom's Taxonomy.

**Full Story:** [Tech & Learning](#)

3. A [stem cell treatment](#) has reversed a 25-year-old woman's Type 1 diabetes, a study last week found. The case marks the first in which a **patient with Type 1 was treated using cells from her own body**. Read the study [here](#) Roughly half a billion people—including 38.4 million Americans—live with a form of diabetes, representing roughly 10% of the global adult population. See more [here](#) (w/video).

#### **4. CareerTech director on Education Power List**

*The Journal Record* has included Oklahoma CareerTech State Director Brent Haken on its 2024 Education Power List. The people on the list, the newspaper wrote, are people who drove conversations about education in 2024.

Haken became the ninth state director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education in January 2023. Under his watch, CareerTech enrollments grew 6.5% in fiscal 2024, with a goal to increase systemwide enrollments another 15% by fiscal 2029.



5. **Educators choose their favorite edtech tools:** SmartBrief Education readers voted for their favorite technology tools in this year's EdTech Readers Choice Awards. Winners were selected in 11 product categories, including early education, reading and literacy, curriculum development, classroom management and assessment, among others. **Full Story:** [SmartBrief/Education](#) (9/17)
6. **Engineers develop headset to noninvasively predict the risk of stroke;** device uses lasers to measure blood flow in the brain ([More](#))
7. **FactCheck.org is a website** that, as the name suggests, **helps anyone to assess if something they have seen is factually accurate or not**. This is a great resource for both teachers and students in checking source validity online.

**Full Story:** [Tech & Learning](#) (10/2)

8. In case you missed it, House Bill 3278 has been signed into law. Through this bill, [graduation requirements for students in eighth through 12th grades would be changed to include a wide range of career paths selected by the local school board](#). The CareerTech counseling and career development division has created many resources to help your schools adapt, including checklists, sample letters and powerpoints. We are excited about these new changes which focus on preparing students for their future career!
9. [Comprehensive High School Programs](#)—your Salary and Teaching Schedules were due on Sept. 30 and your enrollment report (CESI) is due October 31<sup>st</sup>. You will find information, guidebooks, worksheets, etc. on this website to assist you.
10. [HOSA Notes](#)—**State Officer Selection** will be held next **Tuesday, Oct. 8** at ODCTE and **Fall Leadership Conference** is scheduled for **October 22<sup>nd</sup>**, at the Embassy Suites Conference Center in Norman, OK. You can still affiliate students until registration closes for the spring State Leadership Conference!!!
11. We are super proud of our [Ok Health Science Education leadership](#) team that spent a couple days this week in Durant planning their work for the upcoming year. And most importantly, we won the traveling trophy for winning at bowling during the evening networking event! Way to go Health Science!!!
12. The [National League of Nursing is hosting a variety of live webinars](#) this month, each with the opportunity to earn credit hours toward your continuing education! See the link for more information. Titles range from Emotional Intelligence for Nursing Leaders, Advancing Nursing Education with AI: Leveraging ChatGPT, Taking Aim: Moving from Intent to Action and Writing Journal Articles: Strategies for Your Success.
13. October 9, 2024, 3pm CST [“Enhancing Healthcare Career Readiness for High School Students through Stakeholder Collaboration.”](#) Discover how the Bellin College Healthcare Academy model provides high school students with college credits, career-readiness training, job shadowing, internships, and scholarships, reducing education costs and preparing them for successful healthcare careers. [Register here.](#)
14. Are you tired of [asking students for their attention, yet even after asking, they still don’t give it to you?](#) Here is a strategy to try! [CharacterStrong](#)
15. Did you know that as an ACTE HSE Division member, you can apply for [a HSE Division award?](#) Every year, the HSE Division honors CTE health science educators who are members of ACTE and have made significant contributions in health science education. Please consider nominating a peer or yourself for one or more of the following five distinguished awards!

Health Science Education Award opportunities:

- HSE Award of Merit
- HSE Outstanding Service Award
- HSE Outstanding Career and Technical Educator
- HSE Outstanding New Teacher
- HSE Teacher of the Year

To access the Awards Portal, please click on the following link: <https://acte.secure-platform.com/> If you cannot log onto the Awards Portal, please contact ACTE’s Member Services at [memberservices@acteonline.org](mailto:memberservices@acteonline.org).

The application deadline is **Friday, Oct. 11, 11:59 P.M. (EST)**. Award winners will be selected and notified in November and recognized on Dec. 5 during the HSE Division’s Opening Session at ACTE’s CareerTech VISION Conference at the Henry B. González Convention Center in San Antonio, Texas.

Applicants are NOT required to have received either a state or regional award. The ACTE HSE Division awards are separate from state and regional awards and are only for ACTE HSE Division Members.