Purpose
This award recognizes an outstanding CTE secondary student who has demonstrated leadership, growth, innovation, and accomplishment in knowledge, technical skills and career preparedness.

Eligibility
All candidates must be enrolled as a secondary CTE student at the time of the nomination.

Criteria
Candidates will be evaluated on the following criteria: 1) contributions and accomplishments demonstrating his/her career and technical knowledge, skills, and post-secondary readiness; 2) leadership in improving CTE program, CTSO, and local or greater CTE community; and 3) innovation and initiative as a CTE student.

Nomination Requirements
Each nomination must include the following (incomplete nominations will not be considered):
A. Contact information for person nominating and the nominee
B. Description of nominee’s qualifications for the award based on above criteria
C. Two (2) letters of support

If selected as a finalist for this award, the following must be submitted to the Awards Committee:
A. Resume/CV
B. Photo/headshot of the nominee – digital, high resolution (at least 300dpi) and submitted in JPEG format. Files 2MB of larger are preferred. (NOTE: Photos will be used for publicity purposes only)

Nominations should be submitted electronically on the CACTE Awards Portal – see website for deadline in June. Candidates for CACTE Excellence Awards may nominate themselves or be nominated by a third party.