

# Here are your NCTA Monthly Quick Bites for September 2023!

The 2023 NCTA Annual Conference took place in Las Vegas, Nevada, August 15-18. For those able to join in person, thank you!! It was definitely warm, but who would have anticipated a hurricane?!

Special thanks to all of our amazing presenters, volunteers, exhibitors and sponsors! The conference was a fantastic learning and growth opportunity for all in attendance and we are so grateful for your participation.

For those unable to attend the conference, watch for upcoming webinars from some conference sessions, as well as a follow-up session with the keynote speaker, Derek Newton, planned for September.

# NCTA 2023 Conference Recap

- We hosted 354 attendees at the conference, which featured over 50 sessions.
- **Keynote Speaker**: Derek Newton, "Lessons and Observations from Eight Years of Covering Academic Integrity".
- A special thank you to our conference sponsors:
  - Platinum: PearsonVue and RegisterBlast
  - Gold: HonorLock, ETS and Meazure Learning
  - Silver: MSSC, Nocti Business Solutions, Accuplacer/CLEP, Examity, Proctor360, Proctorio and McGraw Hill
- Congratulations to our award winners:
  - Lifetime Achievement Award, Steve Saladin, Ph.D.
  - **President's Award**: Jeff Marsh, Cindy Meza and Valentina Burton
  - Service and Leadership Award: Tabatha Spain

- New Professional Award: Sam Ramirez
- **Outstanding Program Award**: University of Louisville, Testing Services, Exporting from RegisterBlast to Accuplacer for Voucher Creation
- Volunteer of the Year Francine Feero
- Congratulations to our contest winners:
  - o T-shirt Design Contest: Alesha Rosen, Frederick Community College
  - Ideal Test Center Contest:
    - 1st Place: Kathy Kollar-Valovage, University of Pennsylvania-Bloomsburg
    - 2nd Place: Cecilia Saldana, Pikes Peak State College
  - Meme Contest:
    - 1st Place: Helen Richardson, University of Kentucky
    - 2nd Place: Lisa Macaruso, University of Rhode Island
    - 3rd Place: Mary Vaughn, Mississippi State University
    - Honorable Mention: Danielle Notz, Northern State University
      - Honorable Mention: Jacob London, University of Arkansas
- During the Test Center Certification walk-in sessions, 32 institutions were assisted with their questions regarding certification or re-certification!
- NCTA Cares Update: Thank you to all who contributed to the Children's Foundation of Las Vegas. Due to your generosity, we were able to raise funds and donate muchneeded items. The in-kind contributions will help anywhere from 1-100 foster youth, pending the donated item and monetary totals. If you are still interested in assisting this wonderful charity, please use the links available on the <u>NCTA webpage</u>.

#### Volunteer Shout Out

Our September Volunteer Shout Out goes to...**Courtnie Krauss**! See the attached Shout Out information. Thank you, Courtnie!

#### 2024 NCTA Conference

Mark your calendars for August 5-8, 2024, and start thinking about your presentation proposal ideas! **The 2024 NCTA Conference will be at the Hyatt Regency in Savannah, Georgia**! Plan to arrive on Sunday, August 4, for a full day of programming beginning on August 5.

#### **NCTA Governing Council Changes**

- Outgoing Governing Council Members Thank you for your service!
  - o Diane Patterson, Three Rivers College
  - Cindy Meza, Arizona State University
  - Tammy Roach, University of Louisville
  - Rachel Hample, Temple University

- Incoming Governing Council Members Welcome!
  - o Cathy Jackson, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga
  - o Lindsay Jansen, University of Kentucky
  - o Tabatha Spain, Western Kentucky University
  - o Theresa Novotny, Georgia Southern University

## NCTA Logos, Branding and Style Guide

Please review the updated <u>NCTA logos, branding and style guide</u>. All members should refer to this document for guidelines regarding use of the current NCTA logos and associated branding.

## **Newly Certified and Recertified Test Centers**

## Initial Certification

IT Expert System, Inc. (IL) - 7/31/2023

## Recertified

University of Akron - 2nd Recertification - 8/2/2023 Moore Norman Technology Center Assessment Center - 8/28/2023 Binghamton University - 8/28/2023 Kent State University at Stark Campus - 8/28/2023 Tulsa Community College Testing Centers; Metro, Northeast, Southeast and West campuses -8/29/2023

If you have items to contribute to *Quick Bites* that are a benefit to all members of the NCTA organization, please share them with Jan Gonzalez, Administration division chair, at <u>jan.gonzalez@pnw.edu</u>.



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