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Center of Applied Technology North teacher, Josephine Wolfe, named as the New Teacher of the Year by the Maryland Career and Technical Administrators chapter of the Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE.)

A Career and Technical Education (CTE) graduate herself, Ms. Josephine Wolfe knows the value and importance of high-quality CTE programs. After attending the Center of Applied Technology North in Severn, Maryland for four years in the Baking and Pastry Arts program as a high school student, Ms. Wolfe continued her studies upon graduation at Johnson & Wales University studying Baking and Pastry Arts and Food Service Management.


Participating in the SkillsUSA organization played an important role for Ms. Wolfe as a student. After earning a national medal and serving as a national officer in SkillsUSA throughout her high school and college careers, Ms. Wolfe spent several years in the hospitality industry, working for a wide range of companies, from local bakeries to the largest bakery on the Walt Disney World Resort property. Wanting to give back to the organization that afforded her many opportunities, Ms. Wolfe left the hospitality industry to work at SkillsUSA for several years in the Office of Business Partnerships and Development, where she earned her masters degree in Nonprofit Management.



However, the calling to give back directly to students in the community that supported her so well, in 2021, Ms. Wolfe left SkillsUSA to begin her career as a CTE teacher, taking over the high school baking and pastry arts program from her former instructor who retired after thirty years.

Ms. Wolfe knows the value of high quality CTE and the importance business and industry partners play in ensuring the success of the future workforce. Together with a focus on student experience and preparedness, Ms. Wolfe has demonstrated how education, community, and industry all play a critical role in program success. She has worked to create programs that support English Language Learners as well as all students and has increased both diversity and success within the program as a result of her efforts.

Ms. Wolfe will move on to compete in the Northeast, United States [ACTE Region I](#) competition during the spring.

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