

# Monthly Spotlight

Academy of Careers & Technology

## From Simulated to Actual

Our students are Workplace ready...

In 2012, the West Virginia Department of Education initiated the Simulated Workplace Program. This initiative changed the environment of CTE, calling for a shift in the culture. Simulated Workplace incorporates the academic knowledge and technical skills necessary to be successful in CTE with skills such as problem solving, teamwork, effective communication, and leadership that contribute to the success of employees. Twelve protocols are the foundation and structure for implementing a Simulated Workplace company; student led companies, application/interview structure, formal attendance system, drug free work zones, 6S environment, safe work areas, project based learning, company name and handbook, company meetings, business and industry reviews, and accountability.

The initiative establishes a direct relationship with business and industry, who help ensure that expectations and standards are maintained. Simulated Workplace helps our students enter today's workforce with both employability and value that contribute to successful individuals and companies. For more information about Simulated Workplace, visit: <https://wvde.us/simulated-workplace>



## Student Spotlight



**Name:** Raynee Gonzalez  
**Grade:** 12  
**Program:** Medical Assisting  
**High School:** Independence  
Raynee has been dedicated to learning all about the anatomy and functions of the body. She has received her CPR certification. Raynee plans to attend WVU to

earn a BSN. She hopes to pursue a career in nursing or as a travel nurse.

**Who is your favorite TV doctor?**  
"Dr. Daniel Charles from Chicago Med"

## Meet an Instructor

**Name:** Shane Treadway  
**Program:** Building Maintenance  
**Years Teaching:** 4  
Mr. Treadway comes to ACT with over 18 years of experience in the maintenance and construction industry. Growing up in Crab Orchard, he always loved working with his hands, so his chosen career path came naturally. Mr. Treadway enjoys interacting with students and seeing them gain pride in what they learn.



**What is your least favorite color of paint?**  
"Heather Gray! Everybody, and I mean everybody wanted it in the early 2000s!"

## Joke of the Month

Who helps the little pumpkins cross the road to school?

"The crossing gourd!"

## Happening this month...

3rd - Grade Cards go home  
10th - Veteran's Day (Observed), NO STUDENTS  
11th- Veteran's Day Parade, Uptown Beckley  
20th - 24th - Thanksgiving Break