



Quarterly Communication

Spring 2018

Mini grants

We are really excited about the mini grants available to assist schools in collaborating with businesses to develop students' job-seeking skills. Three Virginia high schools will be awarded up to \$1000 to help students participate in interview training exercises in school and in their communities. For more information, or copies of the application material, email VADCDDT@gmail.com. Applications are due by May 15th.

[Back to Basics conference](#) -Registration still open

Registration is open through May 15th for the 2018 VADCDDT annual conference June 7 & 8 at the Charlottesville DoubleTreeing nominations, from our members, for our three annual awards. Award recipients will be recognized, at the conference, June 7 & 8th at the DoubleTree in Charlottesville.

Please think of those individuals who make a difference for Virginia youth and ree. To register go here: <https://goo.gl/forms/7LdUvLiVTnB4J71Z2> . If you haven't registered yet, do it now.

Nominations

In anticipation of the Back to Basics conference, VADCDT is seeking nominations, from our members, for our three annual awards. Award recipients will be recognized, at the conference, June 7 & 8th at the DoubleTree in Charlottesville.

- [Employer of the Year](#) - recognize a business or corporation that has promoted and provided the enhancement and employment of individuals with exceptionalities in order to promote and support their full participation in the community.
- [Transition Practitioner of the Year](#) - recognize a practitioner who has demonstrated excellence in providing services to youth/school divisions in the transition process.
- [Youth of the Year](#) - recognize a youth who exemplifies significant outreach and involvement to achieve his/her transition goals.

National Board Elections- A Message from John McNaught

Fellow VA DCDT members,

I am writing to ask you for your support in the upcoming DCDT National Board elections. I am running for a four-year term that would encompass vice president, president-elect, president, and past president. The voter turnout for these elections is sometimes low, so every vote counts! For the first time, you will need your CEC member number to place your vote.

My full biography will be on the election e-blast that should come out this week or next week. In an effort to be concise, my goal will be to continue our focus on closing the research to practice gap and continue to develop programs, grants, and opportunities for practitioners. I hope to see many of you at the VA DCDT Conference in June in Charlottesville. Thank you for your support.

-John McNaught

Information on the candidates can now be seen here:

[https://proxy.qualtrics.com/proxy/?](https://proxy.qualtrics.com/proxy/)



2018 VADCDT Transition Conference Registration

Transition: BACK to BASICS

Join us for this two-day event focused on
Employment, Postsecondary
Education/Training, and Independent Living.

June 7 & 8, 2018

**Doubletree by Hilton Charlottesville
Charlottesville, VA**

Cost: \$75

Register by: May 15, 2018

Please Register at:

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Questions about Registration or Sponsorship

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