

Dear Coordinators,

As your NJCEA president, I'd like to encourage you to become proactive in your organization. The scholarship application deadline has been extended to **Monday, April 16**. This extension would allow more time for your students to consider applying for one of these post-secondary educational opportunities.

Our next membership meeting is on Tuesday, May 22, at Bally's in Atlantic City. A Harrah's representative will discuss career opportunities in the gaming industry and provide a tour of their facility. You will earn 2.25 hours of professional development for attending this luncheon meeting and tour. Officer elections will be held for the positions of president and vice president, outstanding coop student plaques will be distributed, and coordinator-of-the-year will be announced. Mark your calendars!

Most of your co-op students are successfully experiencing the world of work. They are anticipating how their work experience will impact their career choice. Your vocational and personal guidance is imperative for your students' successes not only in the classroom but during their lifetime.

With the rapidly changing world, it is becoming increasingly difficult to keep up with new developments and to understand their implications. We can understand and capitalize on the forces and trends that shape our world if we have the appropriate information and the appropriate tools. Through your participation with NJCEA, you can learn about emerging business and cooperative education issues. We must change with the times in order to prepare for the future.

It has been a pleasure to serve as your president for the last two years. Please continue to make NJCEA your organization. I look forward to seeing you at our general membership meeting on May 22.

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NJCEA President

