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## 2024 NCATC Innovative ATC Workforce Development Award Recipient Announced



**BIG RAPIDS, MI** – The National Coalition of Advanced Technology Centers (NCATC), NOCTI, and Nocti Business Solutions (NBS) are pleased to announce Mr. Jeremy King of Kansas as this year’s recipient of the NCATC Innovative ATC Workforce Development Award. This award honors exceptional professionals and industry partners who have made significant contributions to advancing the education and training of the modern technology and manufacturing workforce.

Mr. King, a design technology instructor at Wichita State University’s Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology (WSU Tech) in Wichita, Kansas, also serves as a master instructor for the National Coalition of Certification Centers (NC3). With over 17 years of experience, Mr. King has served a pivotal role in workforce development for advanced technology and manufacturing. His innovative initiatives, including the development of original 3D-printable instructional tools, pioneering virtual learning opportunities, and leading curriculum design for precision measurement and 3D printing certifications, have provided students with industry-recognized, comprehensive training that meets the ever-evolving demands of the workforce.

NCATC, NOCTI, and NBS extend their congratulations to Mr. King for his outstanding contributions to workforce development!

**NOCTI** is the largest provider of industry-based credentials and industry association certifications for technical training programs across the nation. The output reports from these credentials can be used to meet Perkins accountability requirements, to guide data-driven instructional improvement, and to assist with college accreditation. NOCTI provides credible solutions through validated and reliable technical skill assessments that meet the standards of quality for credentialing providers (ISO 17024). NOCTI is also a critical component of CTE teacher certification in approximately half of the United States.

**Nocti Business Solutions (NBS)** is a wholly owned subsidiary of NOCTI and was established in 1999 to serve the needs of business and industry in high-stakes competency testing. In addition to serving the needs of business and industry, NBS provides a vital connection between industry and education. NBS' primary products and services include standardized assessments, customized assessment development and delivery, and standard and custom score reporting services. As a job skills competency verification company, NBS has extensive experience working with a variety of populations to translate skills-based knowledge into practical work-related gains.

**The National Coalition of Advanced Technology Centers** is a network of higher education resources that advocates and promotes the use of technology applications that enhance economic and workforce development programs and services. NCATC is focused on increasing the national awareness of ATCs and their positive impact on America's competitive ability and economic growth, developing and facilitating the exchange of workforce development programs among NCATC members, providing a forum for new and emerging technologies to allow ATCs to develop programs and services that reflect the technological landscape, providing a conduit that allows ATCs to access information to optimally assist in the economic business development of their communities, and ensuring that each member is provided support in its development and evolution as an agent of change within its community.