



PAM FERGUSON

ACTEAZ Executive Leadership Citation



Award Biography

Pam Ferguson is a legendary figure in Career and Technical Education. She began her illustrious career as a Family and Consumer Science teacher from 1976 to 1983, earning numerous accolades, including State FACS Teacher of the Year, Region V Finalist for Teacher of the Year, a top ten finalist for Arizona Teacher of the Year, and State FACS Program of the Year, to name just a few!

Since 2002, Pam has been the ACTEAZ Executive Director, tirelessly attending and participating in every region and national ACTE conference. Her leadership extends beyond our state, serving as the National Executive Directors Association President, President-Elect, and Secretary. She's been President of the Arizona FACS Ed Association, Region V Representative for the National Council of Local Administrators, and more.

Pam's impact as ACTEAZ Executive Director is phenomenal. She has championed countless Arizona CTE teachers, helping them become ACTE award finalists and winners at regional and national levels. She's a relentless advocate for Arizona ACTE members, serving on regional and national committees, and has even served on the ACTE board herself!

But Pam's dedication doesn't stop there. She's been a local school board member for the Peoria Unified School District, an active participant in several state CTE associations, and a school administrator who consistently champions CTE.

Pam's leadership has been well documented, being inducted into the Region V Hall of Fame in 2017 and named the Association Executive of the Year by the Arizona Society of Association Executives.

Pam is the face of CTE in our community, participating in various education and business organizations. No one in Arizona has moved to affect CTE without consulting her. Pam embodies everything we hold sacred in CTE. She's a lifelong ACTE member with an unwavering passion for demonstrating that Career and Technical Education is the answer to American education's challenges.