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**LOCAL EDUCATOR AWARD RECIPIENT AT THE 87th ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION
FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ANNUAL MEETING AND
CONFERENCE**

Julia Oglesby, Assistant Principal, WILCO Area Career Center

was recently named the recipient of the “IACTE Career Guidance Award” during the Illinois Association for Career and Technical Education annual conference. The conference was held at the President Abraham Lincoln Springfield -a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in Springfield, IL, February 15-17, 2017.

This award recognizes guidance counselors and career development professionals who have made significant contributions to advocate, educate and communicate the value of CTE as a viable career option to a variety of audiences in their communities. Members employed as full-time school counselors and/or career development professionals are eligible recipients of this award.

Mrs. Oglesby has been employed at Wilco Area Career Center since 2007 as the Special Populations Coordinator and Assistant Principal. She, along with the tutors she supervises, coordinate guest speakers, field trips, and dual credit enrollment in order to assist students with identifying and planning the necessary steps to fulfill their career aspirations. However, the greatest impact of her work can be seen in the transition of students to employment or further educational opportunities, ensuring students are successful academically, and then in turn, encouraging them to take that success to the next level.

The Illinois Association for Career and Technical Education is made up of eight affiliates representing all areas of career and technical education. The organization’s goals include provisions for quality career and technical education, in-service opportunities and program improvement for Illinois’ career and technical educators, administrators and guidance counselors.