



MID-COLONIAL DISTRICT

August 2024 Newsletter

Hello MCDITE Members and Friends,

Let me start off by congratulating each and every member of the MCDITE community for the successful completion of the 2024 ITE Annual Meeting in Philadelphia this past month. The meeting included a thoughtfully crafted technical session coupled with several enjoyable social activities. ITE and MCDITE delivered an endearing program which was appreciated by transportation professionals and students from across the globe. Special thanks to our LAC and its volunteers for showing up and showcasing the best in our District. Hearty Congratulations to all the award winners who were recognized at the ITE Award Luncheon in Philadelphia and a couple of shout outs are noted below:

- MCDITE unveiled the much-anticipated [Mid-Colonial District Legacy of Service Award](#) which was named after our very own Susan Best recognizing her long-term outstanding service to MCDITE. The inaugural award was presented very aptly to Sidney New who has served the District with exemplary dedication and utmost gusto.
- MASITE was awarded the ITE Outstanding Section Award for 2024 by ITE for their incredible organization and momentum in activities and involvement.

Moving on to programming for the rest of the year. As the saying goes, we have a action packed next few months coming up.

- [Jon Crisafi](#) is hosting and moderating a webinar/panel on Reconnecting Communities Grant on August 29, 2024, as part of MCDITE's Webinar Series. [Register Here](#) for participate in the event.
- [Chris May](#) is planning the first of the many Vendor Expo Webinars for mid-to-late September 2024. Registration and other details for the event will be coming out shortly.
- In November, Penn State is organizing a Student Leadership Summit on November 15, 2024, with **Mike Carroll, the current PA Secretary of Transportation** headlining as the keynote speaker. Sponsorship and registration details for the event are coming soon. We encourage all professionals and students from all over to the district to participate in this event. This event will also include the famous ITE Traffic Bowl. If you are interested in recruiting the next best talent for our company, this is one event you don't want to miss. Please reach out to [Scott Seibel](#) or [Tanveer Ahmed](#) with any questions.

We are experiencing incredible momentum of activity and involvement both at CAPSITE and MASITE level and at the District level. Let's continue our engagement and enthusiasm in the second half of this year. As always, if you have any ideas and suggestions on me and the rest of the MCDITE board can serve you better, please reach out to me. We are always enthusiastic and looking forward to hearing from you.

Thanks,

[Vivek Hariharan](#)

2024 President Mid-Colonial District of ITE



Thursday August 29, 2024, 12:00 PM - 1:15 PM

Join your fellow Mid-Colonial District colleagues for this webinar featuring three local panelists who were FY2023 recipients of the Reconnecting Communities Pilot Grant Program. Panel session will briefly overview projects, discuss experiences identifying how the grant opportunity aligned, how the funding will be utilized and more. If you, or your agency/organization are interested in the experiences with this grant program, this will be a great opportunity to ask your ITE colleagues questions!

If you would like to submit any questions to the panel ahead of time, please send them to Jon Crisafi (jcrisafi@kittelson.com).

Panelists:

- **David Edmondson, Planner, City of Frederick** - *Golden Mile Multimodal Connection Planning Project*
- **Gina Burritt, Planning Director, Delaware County** - *Redesigning Route 291: Safety, Equity, and Connection*
- **Brendan Latimer, Planner, City of Baltimore** - *Restoring Connections to Druid Hill Park Project*

Moderator:

- **Jon Crisafi, Associate Engineer, Kittelson & Associates, Inc.**
- **Peter O'Halloran**

Cost is \$10 for ITE members; \$20 for non-ITE members
Register at the link below for this webinar:

[Register Here](#)

2024 ITE International Meeting - Recap

The Mid-Colonial District was proud to host the 2024 ITE International Meeting in Philadelphia in July. Approximately 1,400 attendees enjoyed numerous technical sessions. Technical tours included visiting 30th Street Station, Franklin Square Station, and several transportation projects currently under construction. Exciting social events included the Summer Soiree hosted by the district and the closing reception at the National Constitution Center. Thank you to Local Arrangements Committee Chairs Nicole Kline, Kate Russo and Jeff Riegner and the entire committee for all of their hard work planning the meeting.





MCDITE STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT SLS 2024


NOVEMBER 15-16, 2024

**THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY PARK, PA**

What is the SLS?

The Student Leadership Summit (SLS) hosted by the Penn State ITE student chapter is the largest student-led transportation meeting open to students and professionals from all over the US

Highlights

- **Panels and Workshops**
 - From career tips for students to technical presentations from professionals
- **Student competitions**
 - Strike-3 Pitch
 - MCDITE Traffic Bowl!
- **Career fair**
 - For companies to recruit the most talented students from all over the mid-colonial district
- **Technical tour**
 - Ride an autonomous vehicle across the test track
- **Social & Networking**
 - Enjoy a college football watch party

Who is the SLS for?

Students

- Kickstart your career with networking and competitions

Professionals

- Discover top talent by sponsoring or hosting a career fair booth
- Hear technical presentations or become a panelist yourself

Keynote Speaker



Michael Carroll
Secretary of Transportation
Pennsylvania

Registrations open soon!
More Information: www.mcdite.org/sls

PDH available for
registered attendees!

2025 Traffic Control Device (TCD) Student Challenge

Applications are open for the 2025 TCD Student Challenge. Each year, this competition brings together bright, engineering minds and future roadway safety professionals to promote innovation in the traffic control device industry. The American Traffic Safety Services Association (ATSSA) and the Transportation Research Board (TRB) Standing Committee on Traffic Control Devices (ACP55) co-sponsor and conduct this exciting design challenge to stimulate new ideas and innovative growth in the traffic control devices space with the core goal of optimizing worker and roadway safety.

The 2025 theme is ***Innovative Traffic Control Device Solutions to Improve Roadway Worker Safety***. Please visit <https://www.atssa.com/resource/traffic-control-device-student-challenge/> for more information about the theme and contest rules, and to access the online application. **The deadline to submit applications is October 1, 2024.** Please share this opportunity with high school and college students!



Mid-Colonial District
of ITE (MCDITE)

Virtual Vendor Expo

MCDITE's new initiative is to develop a virtual "Vendor Expo," a platform full of vendor-related information by the vendor community, for our membership. MCDITE proposes to host periodic webinars highlighting vendor project innovation, vendor equipment, and its corresponding implementation within our communities, to broaden the knowledge base of MCDITE membership.

Details

Each webinar will focus on similar technology based on vendor interest and the type of technology being showcased.

Vendors are encouraged to share their contact information and references with the attendees. Additionally, attendee list can be provided to the vendors based on attendee preference.

Call for Vendors!



Frequency

Based on the number of interested vendors, MCDITE will host this event every other month or quarterly.



Duration

1 - 1.5 hours. Approximately 30 minutes is allotted per vendor.



Vendor Cost

\$100 per webinar presentation



Directions

If interested, please provide your company name, contact name, and e-mail address, along with the product types you are interested in displaying to Christopher May.

christopher.may@mbakerintl.com

SECTION NEWS



CAPSITE Upcoming Events

2024 CAPSITE Meeting at SHA Headquarters – OPPE Showcase

September 11, 2024 from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm

CAPSITE is pleased to invite you to the 2024 CAPSITE Meeting at the Maryland State Highway Administration in Baltimore, Maryland. This meeting will feature technical presentations by the Office of Planning and Preliminary Engineering (OPPE). PDH credits will be provided to all attendees. This event is limited to 65 registrants and will sell out quickly. Registration will open soon!

2024 Loudoun County Technical Meeting

September 13, 2024 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

The Chesapeake and Potomac Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (CAPSITE), formerly known as the Washington DC Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (WDCSITE), is pleased to invite you to the 2024 CAPSITE

Loudoun County Technical Meeting in Leesburg, Virginia. This meeting will feature technical presentations by Gorove Slade and Kimley Horn on Loudoun County projects. Lunch will be provided for all registered attendees. PDH credits are anticipated for all registered attendees and registration will be capped at 65 attendees. Registration will open soon!



What a year we are having in the MASITE Section!

2024 Joint ITE International and Mid-Colonial District Annual Meeting

MASITE was very well represented at the 2024 ITE International and Mid-Colonial District Annual meeting conference with its members and the board. We would like to thank all the MASITE and CAPSITE Volunteers that helped with the Local Arrangements Table, Tours and Session rooms! Thank you for making ITE in Philadelphia shine! The highlight of the ITE International Annual Meeting (Joint with the Mid-Colonial District) was that MASITE was honored with the **2024 ITE Outstanding Section Award**, which was accepted by the immediate past-president Peter O'Halloran.



2024 OUTSTANDING SECTION OF ITE
 Congratulations to our Members & Volunteers for receiving this award!

Other Area Events:

- Western Area - Multi-Society Softball Tournament (6/1/2024)
- Eastern Area - Multi-Society Kickball Tournament (6/6/2024)
- Eastern Area - PennDOT Origin Destination Data Training (6/11/2024)
- Central Area - PTC and PennDOT Central Office Innovative Technology Presentation and Social (6/13/2024)
- Western Area – Washington Wild Things Baseball Game (8/12/2024)
- Eastern Area – I-95 CAP at Penns Landing (8/13/2024)



Registration is currently open (click [here](#)) for the 2024 MASITE Annual Meeting in Morgantown, WV! Get your hotel rooms in the **Hotel Room Block (see webpage)** by **September 10th**! We plan to celebrate being the 2024 Outstanding Section after the Monday Night Business Meeting where we will install the new Officers for 2025! The Election Ballots were sent on August 19, 2024! Get your Vote in by September 27th! If you have election questions or feedback, please email Steve Gault at sgault@pa.gov. We hope to see many students from the WVU ITE Student Chapter, Pitt ITE Student Chapter and our other five student chapters mix with Professionals and Vendors to share knowledge on one of ITE's main topics this year: SAFETY!

Regional events coming up are:

- Eastern Area - Houston Astros vs. Philadelphia Phillies Game (8/26/2024)
- Eastern Area - Cornhole Tournament (9/12/2024)
- Central Area – Doubles-Round Throwdown Disc Golf Challenge (9/13/2024)
- Eastern Area - ATSPM Workshop with Steve Gault (9/19/2024)

- Eastern Area – Philadelphia Bike Tour with City of Philadelphia (10/10/2024)
- Eastern Area - MUTCD update (10/17/2024)
- Western Area – PennDOT Origin-Destination Data and the Winners of the Mark and Roni Magalotti Scholarship – Joint with the University of Pitt ITE Student Chapter (11/6/2024)
- Eastern Area– National Highway Products Tour and SJTPO’s Countywide Local Road Safety Plans (11/6/2024)
- 2024 Student Leadership Summit At Penn State – Cheer on your University at the Traffic Bowl! (11/15/-16/2024)

MCDITE Leadership

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