



Summer 2026 Newsletter

Inspiring The Next Generation

When I was in 4th grade, my grandfather came to talk to my class about his job as a mechanical engineer. He framed it from the perspective of building mechanical and similar systems in a school building – plumbing, HVAC, lighting, etc. What he didn't tell my teacher was that he had a trick up his sleeve. He made his initial presentation intentionally short so he had time to talk about what he really did in his career – design weapon systems for the military. He graduated from The Pennsylvania State College (yes, "College") in 1944 and started a lifelong career with the federal government by joining the Army as an engineer to support the American effort in World War II. His first major achievement – solving engine overheating problems during takeoff for the B-29. The complex engineering solution – spraying cold water on the engine immediately before takeoff.

Needless to say, the class full of 9-year-olds thought he was so cool – "Your grandpa gets paid to blow stuff up!" I thought he was brilliant and inspiring, and that day was the beginning of my path into engineering.

Ever since I joined ITE, my top focus has been K-12 STEM outreach – inspiring future generations of transportation professionals, hoping to do for school students what my grandfather did for me. We cannot nor want to claim the "cool" factor of explosions, but I have visual proof that we can get jaw-dropping reactions from students when we demonstrate advanced technological systems like connected and automated vehicles. We can even inspire students to dedicate their futures to saving lives, or even get their hands dirty making fake snow to learn about the importance and challenges of winter maintenance.

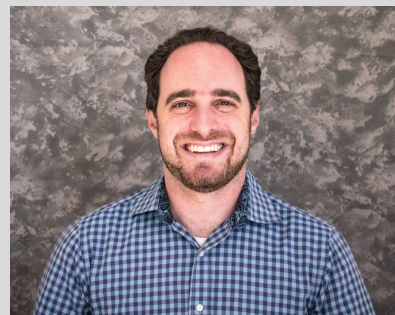
We are fortunate to work in an industry that is crucial to daily life for everyone in our communities and beyond. The work we do is easily translatable to audiences of all ages based on its application to school subjects and linkages to real-world scenarios. K-12 STEM outreach is also a great opportunity to improve our ability to communicate our work to any audience, but that's not why we do it.

We need a strong pipeline of transportation professionals to keep our world moving safely, efficiently, and sustainably in the future. The members, friends, and partners of our Mid-Colonial District are the perfect cohort to lead that charge. Our Sections have experienced immense growth in their STEM outreach programs over the last decade, meaning we need more volunteers like you! If you are interested in supporting their programs, even if you are not yet comfortable running or leading a STEM event with students, please reach out. I can guarantee your contributions will make an impact, directly or indirectly, on our region's youth.

For CAPSITE opportunities, please contact me. For MASITE, please contact [Erik Stellato](#). If you'd like to help the District in supporting our Sections, including sharing resources and building a STEM volunteer network across the District, please reach out to [Dan Eskinder](#).

For the kids,

Adam Greenstein, PE, PTOE
2026 ITE Mid-Colonial District President



**MCDITE @ 2026 ITE International Annual Meeting in
Detroit, Michigan (July 19-22)**

The ITE Mid-Colonial District was well represented by our members at the 2026 ITE International Annual Meeting in Detroit. Click on the photos to enlarge them.



Congratulations to **Tracy A. Scriba** (Principal, Scriba Solutions, LLC), who was selected as the recipient of the 2026 **Transportation Engineering Contribution Award in Honor of Theodore M. Matson**. This is one of ITE's highest honors and is incredibly well-deserved. For more information on the award and Tracy's incredible contributions to the profession (particularly in the TSMO space), the full press release from ITE International is available online [HERE](#)



The District would also like to congratulate **Fazalay Beshal** (Rowan University) for earning 1st place in the 2026 **Excellence in Highway Safety Data Award** competition. His award-winning paper, *Bus-Involved Crash Severity in Multi-State HSIS Data: A Comparative Statistical and Machine Learning Analysis with Cross-State Transferability Assessment* will be published in an upcoming issue of the ITE Journal.



The District was represented in the ITE Grand Championship Traffic Bowl by the **University of Delaware**, supported by a mysterious Blue Hens Superfan (civilian identity Jeff Reigner, District Administrator). Although the trophy was ultimately taken home by the University of Washington, the Blue Hens had a great showing!



Additionally, three participants from the District in the LeadershipITE program graduated as part of the Class of 2026 in Detroit. Congratulations to **Sarah Adsit** (Bowman), **Kamar Amine** (Mead & Hunt), and **Rakesh Mora** (RK&K)!



MCDITE members and projects were also well represented throughout the conference program, serving as moderators, speakers, and contributors to the technical program as members of various ITE Councils and Committees. Thank you to everyone who dedicated

their time to the core mission of sharing best practices with the broader ITE community! (We sincerely apologize for any accidental omissions).

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Lastly, we'd like to thank those MCDITE members who have become signatories of the ITE Safety Pledge. These ITE Safety Partners were listed on posters throughout the Annual Meeting, and have pledged to make safety a core value of their work and to take meaningful actions that prevent fatalities and serious injuries across our transportation network. Sign the pledge today at <https://www.ite.org/about-ite/ite-safety-pledge/>.

SAVE THE DATE
2027 ITE Mid-Colonial District
Annual Meeting
April 7-9, 2027
The Hotel at the University of Maryland
College Park, MD

Volunteers are needed for the Planning Committee!
Please sign up [HERE](#)

Section News



CAPSITE is building strong momentum in 2026 with a focus on expanding our volunteer base and strengthening our leadership team. We are excited to see several members step forward to support our activities and help build a more sustainable organization. We are also bringing back our popular Audi Field technical event on September 9, providing an opportunity for transportation professionals to connect, learn, and have some fun together. We look forward to continuing this momentum with our Annual Conference and Business Meeting on October 28 and other activities throughout the year. We welcome our colleagues across the District to join us and get involved!

Lili Liang
CAPSITE President

Fall Technical Meeting
September 9, 2026 from 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm
Audi Field - Washington, DC

The maximum number of attendees has been reached.
To be added to the waiting list use the button below:

[WAITING LIST](#)

October 28, 2026 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Catholic University of America
Edward J. Pryzbala University Center
Washington, DC

MEETING DETAILS HERE

Submit Your Abstract by September 4th

Professional Awards and Student Scholarship Program Open

Visit the [Awards and Scholarships website](#) to learn more about the application process and requirements.

Awards Nomination Period Closes September 1st

Student Scholarships due by September 20th



2026 MASITE ANNUAL MEETING
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN



2026 MASITE ANNUAL MEETING

Seaview Hyatt, Galloway, NJ
September 27 - 28, 2026

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



PRIYA JAIN
COMMISSIONER
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION

TICKET INFO & REGISTRATION

ITE MEMBER	\$190
NON-MEMBER	\$235
SPEAKER Access code required	\$80
VENDOR TABLE Separate attendee tickets required	\$250
STUDENT	\$35

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AGENDA

SUNDAY

TECHNICAL TOUR.....	1:00 PM - 4:30 PM
WORKSHOP #1..... IMSA Session	3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
WORKSHOP #2..... NJDOT HSIP	4:30 PM - 5:30 PM
WELCOME RECEPTION.....	6:30 PM - 9:00 PM
SPEAKEASY NIGHTCAP.....	9:00 PM - 11:00 PM

MONDAY

BREAKFAST & KEYNOTE.....	7:30 AM - 8:30 AM
BREAK.....	8:30 AM - 8:45 AM
TECHNICAL SESSIONS.....	8:45 AM - 10:15 AM
BREAK.....	10:15 AM - 10:30 AM
PLATINUM PLENARY.....	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
BREAK.....	12:00 PM - 12:15 PM
LUNCH.....	12:15 PM - 1:30 PM
TECHNICAL SESSIONS.....	1:30 PM - 3:00 PM
BREAK.....	3:00 PM - 3:15 PM
TECHNICAL SESSIONS.....	3:15 PM - 5:00 PM



MASITE had strong representation at the 2026 ITE International Annual Meeting in Detroit, MI, from July 19, 2026 to July 22, 2026, with many of its members in attendance. MASITE members enjoyed the great technical program and variety of technical tours during the Annual Meeting.

B.J. Song
MASITE President

MCDITE Leadership

- Adam Greenstein, PE, PTOE, President
- David Duarte, PE, PTOE, Vice President
- Rachel McGuire, PTP, Secretary/Treasurer
- Kate Russo, PE, PTOE, International Director
- Mahmood Shehata, PE, Immediate Past President
- Elisa Mitchell, PE, CAPSITE Representative
- Rebecca Biro, PE, MASITE Representative
- Jeff Riegner, PE, District Administrator
- Sidney New, PE, Communications Director
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