

# **Leading Through AI: Institutional Strategies for the Modern Workforce**

## **Speaker Information:**



### **Kelli Chaney**

President Kelli Chaney of Tennessee College of Applied Technology-Knoxville (TCATK), embodies an entrepreneurial mindset that continuously drives her forward. With over 18 years of executive leadership experience in technical education and workforce development, she has consistently brought innovative ideas to the table. By embracing a fresh approach, Chaney has been able to adapt TCAT Knoxville to the changing needs of both students and employers.

As an advocate for career and technical education, President Chaney demonstrates unwavering support for the growth and development of this critical field. Recognizing its immense potential to empower individuals and bridge the skills gap, she has spearheaded numerous initiatives to promote career and technical education in the region.

President Chaney's dedication and commitment have earned her and TCAT Knoxville recognition and accolades across multiple platforms. TCAT Knoxville, under her leadership, has been a two-time winner of NACCE Pitch for the Skilled Trades, an honor supported by the Philip E. and Carole R. Ratcliff Foundation. Furthermore, Chaney's team launched the renowned Remake Learning Days Across America initiative, fostering innovation and creativity in education. As proud partners of Maker USA, TCAT Knoxville actively contributes to the maker movement in the region.

Beyond her role at TCAT Knoxville, President Chaney actively engages with numerous organizations and serves on several boards. She is a board member of the Knoxville Chamber, Maker USA, East Tennessee Economic Council, and Project GRAD.

She and her family proudly call East Tennessee home.