

Career and Technical Education in California

- At the secondary level, CTE is delivered through comprehensive high schools; magnet programs and schools; California Partnership Academies, schools-within-a-school that incorporate integrated academic and career and technical education, business partnerships, mentoring and internships; Linked Learning programs; and Regional Occupational Centers and Programs (ROCPs).
- At the postsecondary and adult levels, courses are offered at ROCPs, adult schools, community colleges and through apprenticeship programs. ROCPs, a unique part of the California CTE system, provide career and workforce preparation for high school students and adults. Courses may be offered in a variety of places, from high school campuses to workplaces such as hospitals.
- Learn more at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct>, <http://extranet.cccco.edu/Divisions/WorkforceandEconDev/CareerEducationPractices.aspx> and www.acteonline.org/California.

In school year 2015-2016, California served **772,350** CTE high school students and **892,396** CTE postsecondary students.

In Fiscal Year 2016, California received **\$118,353,405** in federal Perkins funding—about \$1.9 million less than the prior year.

Exemplary CTE Programs in California

- ***Mission Valley Regional Occupational Program (MVROP)***, located in Fremont, California, offers high school students the unique opportunity to enroll in hands-on courses that allow them to acquire industry-specific skills and knowledge. MVROP recently completed a state-of-the-art auto refinishing spray booth equipped with new technology that meets and exceeds California Industry Standards. Students taking the course are working with the same equipment that the local area auto refinishing companies are using with cars from manufacturers such as Tesla. Students are learning to use the digital display control panel that controls lighting, temperature and exhaust. Projects being completed in this new spray booth dry and harden quicker and are nearly dust free. The new spray booth also has an observation booth that allows viewers to witness the process. Students completing the Auto Body Painting and Refinishing class at MVROP will hopefully have increased employment opportunities with the skills they learn and hands-on practice they are gaining from the new spray booth. *(Information from CACTE)*
- ***Bonita High School*** in La Verne is a comprehensive high school offering the Hospitality Foods ProStart program, a two-year program of study in the hospitality and culinary arts industries. It partners closely with the California Restaurant Association's Education Foundation (CRAEF) and the Culinary Institute of America to offer experiential learning opportunities to students participating in the program. Students who successfully complete will earn a ProStart certification—a credential that is nationally portable and recognized by the restaurant industry. Moreover, Bonita High School partners with a number of postsecondary institutions to offer the opportunity to earn postsecondary credit while still in high school. The data speaks to the program's immense success to date—for the 2012-2013 graduating class, 90 percent of participating students earned an industry-recognized credential, 95 percent graduated from high school and all of those students earned some form of postsecondary credit while enrolled. *(Information from the CTE Monthly newsletter)*

In school year 2015-2016:

- **92** percent of California CTE high school students graduated
- **91** percent met performance goals for technical skills
- **88** percent of California CTE postsecondary students earned a credential, certificate or degree