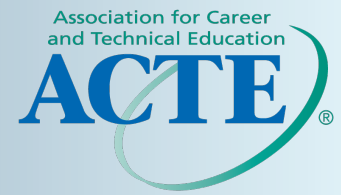


WASHINGTON, DC

CTE Fact Sheet 2018



Career and Technical Education in Washington, DC

- At the secondary level, CTE is delivered through comprehensive public high schools, public charter schools and stand-alone career academies specializing in career pathways such as STEM.
- At the postsecondary level, CTE is delivered through the University of the District of Columbia Community College.
- Adult education is provided through Opportunity Academies.
- Learn more at <https://osse.dc.gov/service/career-and-technical-education-cte> and www.acteonline.org/DC.

In school year 2015-2016, DC served **5,234** CTE high school students and **981** CTE postsecondary students.

In Fiscal Year 2016, DC received **\$4,214,921** in federal Perkins funding—the same as in 2015 and \$135,000 less than in 2010.

Exemplary CTE Programs in Washington, DC

- ***Ballou Opportunity Academy*** is an alternative high school in the district that provides Washington, DC residents a chance to complete their high school education. With a diverse student body of more than 500, Ballou Opportunity Academy delivers academic and technical education leading to a high school diploma or CTE certificate. CTE programs include automotive technology, barbering, cosmetology, Microsoft Office and culinary arts. The barbering program has successfully delivered a competency-based education for a number of years. Students develop knowledge and skills in a simulated work environment, addressing such topics as history, sanitation and safety, hair design, chemical processing and business principles, as well as anatomy, physiology, bacteriology and electricity. The CTE program, along with sports and clubs, empowers young adults with the career skills to succeed in the real world. Former First Lady Michelle Obama visited the school in 2017, talking to a group of students about battling adversity and achieving goals. (*Information from DC ACTE and Ballou Opportunity Academy*)

In school year 2015-2016:

- **92** percent of DC CTE high school students graduated
- **97** percent met performance goals for technical skills
- **87** percent of DC CTE postsecondary students met performance goals for technical skills