

### Career and Technical Education in Montana

- At the secondary level, CTE is delivered through comprehensive high schools throughout the state.
- At the postsecondary level, CTE is delivered through the state's two-year colleges, the career training arm of several universities; community colleges; tribal colleges; and four-year institutions that offer technical associate of applied science degrees and certificates.
- Learn more at <http://opi.mt.gov/Educators/Teaching-Learning/Career-Technical-Education> and [www.MontanaACTE.org](http://www.MontanaACTE.org).

In school year 2015-2016, Montana served **33,891** CTE high school students and **11,902** CTE postsecondary students.

In Fiscal Year 2016, Montana received **\$5,163,542** in federal Perkins funding—about \$3,800 less than in 2015 and about \$662,000 less than in 2010.

### Exemplary CTE Programs in Montana

- The [\*Missoula Agriculture Center\*](#) provides students from Big Sky, Hellgate and Sentinel High Schools with a science-based curriculum and opportunities for hands-on learning through 100 acres of farmland, a construction and engineering laboratory, an animal science center and a greenhouse. At the animal science center, students take part in vaccinations, worming and tagging animals such as cows, sows, sheep, goats, peacocks and chickens. The Missoula School District's FFA programs are award winning, as are the agriculture education teachers. In addition, Missoula FFA was recently one of two chapters in the state to be recognized as a Three Star Chapter—the highest rating possible—at the national convention. The program is supported by strong community and business partnerships. *(Information from Missoula County Public Schools and the Missoulian)*

In school year 2015-2016:

- **97** percent of Montana CTE high school students graduated
- **85** percent met performance goals for technical skills
- **93** percent of Montana CTE postsecondary students met performance goals for technical skills