Career and Technical Education in Oregon

- Career Technical Education in Oregon is coordinated through the Oregon Department of Education Secondary Postsecondary Transitions (SPST) team and the Community College Workforce Department (CCWD). Administered through a network of Regional CTE Coordinators, all seventeen community colleges are active through affiliation and/or articulation with 654 CTE Programs of Study.
- Recent state funding includes $34 million for CTE-STEM, including funds for CTE Revitalization Grants, as well as Secondary Career Pathway Funding.

In school year 2015-2016, Oregon served **48,259** CTE high school students and **58,373** CTE postsecondary students.

In Fiscal Year 2016, Oregon received **$13,541,476** in federal Perkins funding—down from **$15 million** in FY10.

Exemplary CTE Programs in Oregon

- **Hermiston High School** excels across numerous CTE programs. For instance, the Hermiston High School Agriculture Science and Technology program is a model program due in part to strong connections with business/industry partners. On a national level, the Hermiston FFA Chapter is identified as a model program and is frequently showcased by National FFA publications as to how to connect, engage and utilize the resources and support systems of business/industry partners. These partners purposely connect with the high school in an effort to develop future skilled workers for the growing agriculture employment sector of their region. In addition, students in the Hermiston High School business program manage and operate multiple businesses, including the school store, a coffee/smoothie shop, concessions and a print/sign business. Students are responsible for all aspects of the business with profits being used to provide scholarships for college. And students in Hermiston’s Engineering Technology Program of Study are eligible to participate in a regional program called Columbia Basin Student Homebuilders (CBSH). Through CBSH, students design, build and sell a house. As of August 2016, at least six students have gotten jobs based on their participation. (Information from the Oregon Department of Education)

Oregon CTE students have met the following goals:

- In the graduating class of 2015, CTE concentrators were nearly **14** percentage points more likely to graduate high school in four years than were students statewide
- In the graduating class of 2015, CTE concentrators across every racial/ethnic subpopulation graduated at levels higher than the statewide average of 74 percent
- In school year 2015-2016, **86** percent of CTE high school students met or exceeded reading attainment goals and **78** percent met or exceeded technical skill attainment goals
- In school year 2015-2016, **94** percent of CTE high school students met or exceeded technical skill attainment goals

Data from the Oregon Department of Education and the U.S. Department of Education Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education