

### Career and Technical Education in Rhode Island

- At the secondary level, CTE is delivered through comprehensive high schools and regional career and technical centers, which provide supplemental CTE programs to area high school students.
- At the postsecondary level, CTE is delivered by the four campuses of the Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI).
- Learn more at [www.ride.ri.gov/StudentsFamilies/EducationPrograms/CareerTechnicalEducation.aspx](http://www.ride.ri.gov/StudentsFamilies/EducationPrograms/CareerTechnicalEducation.aspx) and [www.acteonline.org/RhodeIsland](http://www.acteonline.org/RhodeIsland).

In school year 2015-2016, Rhode Island served **19,941** CTE high school students and **1,641** CTE postsecondary students.

In Fiscal Year 2016, Rhode Island received **\$5,496,906** in federal Perkins funding—the same as in 2015 and about \$551,000 less than in 2010.

### Exemplary CTE Programs in Rhode Island

- At ***Providence Career and Technical Academy (PCTA)***, students graduate with a high school diploma and industry-recognized certification in their chosen field. A wide variety of programs are offered, including automotive technology, construction technology, culinary arts and hospitality, electrical sciences, graphic communications, HVAC, welding, plumbing and pipefitting, and engineering. In addition, the school incorporates a Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) program, which further facilitates college and career readiness by providing students with work-based learning and access to college credits. Graduation rates at the school have soared 22 points in the past six years, to 89 percent. In addition to engaging, integrated technical and academic instruction, the school supports student success through technology-enhanced, personalized learning and frequent analysis of test scores and absentee data. (*Information from PCTA and The Providence Journal*)

In school year 2015-2016:

- **91** percent of Rhode Island CTE high school students graduated
- **78** percent met performance goals for technical skills
- **75** percent of Rhode Island CTE postsecondary students earned a credential, certificate or degree