

### Career and Technical Education in South Carolina

- At the secondary level, CTE is delivered through comprehensive high schools; career and technology centers that provide supplemental CTE programs to students within most of the larger school districts; two state correctional agencies, one for juveniles and one for adults, operating as special school districts and providing secondary CTE programs; and independent, multidistrict career centers that provide CTE programs to students from districts that do not have their own career centers.
- At the postsecondary level, CTE is delivered through the state's technical colleges.
- Learn more at <http://ed.sc.gov/instruction/career-and-technology-education> and [SCACTE.org](http://SCACTE.org).

In Fiscal Year 2016, South Carolina served **187,219** CTE high school students and **39,711** CTE postsecondary students.

In Fiscal Year 2016, South Carolina received **\$18.2 million** in federal Perkins funding—\$250,000 less than Fiscal Year 2015.

### Exemplary CTE Programs in South Carolina

- At the [\*Center for Advanced Technical Studies\*](#) in Chapin, students learn to apply math and science to authentic scenarios, interact with business leaders and have opportunities to earn college credit. One of the Center's innovative programs uses the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) Advanced Career Clean Energy Technology curriculum, which integrates academic and technical content around solar, wind, biofuels and other forms of renewable energy sources. A Center student was honored by SREB as the 2015 Young Innovator of the Year for his project using biomimicry to improve underwater turbines. Center students have also won many awards through career and technical student organizations and been recognized through the South Carolina Junior Academy of Science, the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium and the INTEL Regional Science and Engineering Fair. (*Information from the Lexington-Richland School District 5, Studica.com and the district's AdvancED Executive Summary*)

In Fiscal Year 2016:

- **98.11** percent of South Carolina CTE high school students graduated
- **90.96** percent met performance goals for technical skills
- **93.76** percent of South Carolina CTE postsecondary students met performance goals for technical skills