

Career and Technical Education in South Dakota

- At the secondary level, CTE in South Dakota is delivered through a combination of comprehensive high schools; multi-district CTE centers, which provide supplemental CTE courses in a centralized location to students from multiple school districts; tribal schools; and alternative state schools, which provide educational opportunities for those who are outside the traditional school system.
- Postsecondary CTE is delivered through the state's technical institutes and four-year public universities.
- Learn more at <http://doe.sd.gov/octe/cte.aspx> and www.lakeareatech.edu/sdacte.

In school year 2015-2016, South Dakota served **27,113** CTE high school students and **6,349** CTE postsecondary students.

In Fiscal Year 2016, South Dakota received **\$4,218,783** in federal Perkins funding—about \$4,000 more than in 2015 and almost \$500,000 less than in 2010.

Exemplary CTE Programs in South Dakota

- The [Gayville-Volin School District](#) has a high school enrollment of 95 students in grades 9-12. Through a Workforce Education Grant provided by the state, the district has created a state-of-the-art laboratory to implement and offer Transportation, Distribution and Logistics courses to local students as well as students in area schools. The new laboratory focuses on systems maintenance and service for recreational, industrial machine and lightweight cars and trucks. Additionally, the district has partnered with a local collision center to provide a variety of seminars to students to ensure they have exposure to all aspects of industry. *(Information from SDACTE)*
- [Yankton High School](#) has partnered with the local economic development office and several local employers to provide high school seniors with paid internship opportunities. Students spend up to half of their school day working at local businesses, while also earning high school credit. Within the first year, student participation in the program doubled, and local businesses have offered students scholarships and full-time employment based on their experience with the program. The school district has also hosted internships for students interested in becoming elementary teachers. *(Information from SDACTE)*

In school year 2015-2016:

- **96.92** percent of South Dakota CTE high school students graduated
- **97.32** percent met performance goals for technical skills
- **90.45** percent of South Dakota CTE postsecondary students met performance goals for technical skills
- **75.79** percent remained enrolled or transferred to another postsecondary institution