

# Nevada Career & Technical Education

## Skills for Employment and Lifelong Learning

### What is Career and Technical Education?

Career and Technical Education (CTE) prepares both youth and adults for a wide range of careers. These careers may require varying levels of education – from high school and postsecondary certificates to college degrees. The primary areas of focus for Career and Technical Education are the attainment of academic and occupational skills, and completion of diplomas, credentials, and certificates.

The six Career and Technical Education program areas in Nevada align to the following National Career Clusters:

- **Agriculture and Natural Resources**  
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources
- **Business & Marketing Education**  
Business, Management & Administration  
Finance  
Marketing, Sales & Service
- **Education, Hospitality & Human Services (formerly FCS)**  
Education & Training  
Hospitality & Tourism  
Human Services
- **Health Science and Public Safety**  
Health Science  
Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security
- **Information & Media Technologies**  
Information Technology  
Arts, A/V Technology & Communications
- **Skilled and Technical Sciences**  
Architecture & Construction  
Manufacturing  
Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)  
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics

There are six student organizations associated with Career and Technical Education:

- ✓ **DECA** – An association of marketing students
- ✓ **FBLA** - Future Business Leaders of America
- ✓ **FCCLA** - Family, Career & Community Leaders of America
- ✓ **FFA** - Future Farmers of America
- ✓ **HOSA** - Health Occupation Students of America
- ✓ **SkillsUSA** – Skilled and technical science students

### How many Nevada students enroll in Career and Technical Education programs?

In 2011-2012, over 49,000 secondary students enrolled in Career and Technical Education programs across Nevada. For that same year over 26,000 students were enrolled in CTE at the postsecondary level.