

## NEVADA CTE FACTS

### Why is Career and Technical Education important?

- Career and Technical Education is the most powerful program available to high school students that provides a combination of personal, academic, and career development skills.
- Career and Technical Education supports core academic attainment through practical application.
- Career and Technical Education creates valuable citizens who have work-ready skills that build our nation's economy.
- Career and Technical Education provides employable skills for students while they pursue further education at the postsecondary level.
- Career and Technical Education student organizations make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success.
- There are diverse, challenging and rewarding career opportunities in Career and Technical Education. A student can be whatever he or she wants to be because all career areas are represented.

### Nevada Career and Technical Education Data School Year 2011-2012

- CTE completers (*those students successfully completing the end-of-sequence course in a program of study*) graduated at a rate of 70.27%, which was higher than the overall graduation rate of 68.80% for all Nevada students.
- 82.05% of 11<sup>th</sup> grade CTE students concentrating in a CTE program of study passed the Mathematics portion of the Nevada High School Proficiency Exam as compared to 73.4% for all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students.
- 84.14% of 11th grade CTE students concentrating in a CTE program of study passed the Reading/Language Arts portion of the Nevada High School Proficiency Exam as compared to 77.20% for all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students in Reading and 75.70% of all students in Writing. (*CTE's Reading and Writing HSPE results are combined while the overall for the state are separated*)
- The dropout rate for Nevada's secondary students enrolled in Career and Technical Education programs was 1.72%, which was considerably lower than the overall high school dropout rate of 4.1% which has decreased as well.