Career and Technical Education in Washington

- At the secondary level, CTE is delivered through comprehensive high schools as well as skills centers, which are regional secondary schools that provide supplemental CTE programs to students from sending high schools.
- At the postsecondary level, CTE is delivered through the state’s community and technical colleges.
- Learn more at [http://www.k12.wa.us/careerteched](http://www.k12.wa.us/careerteched) and [WA-ACTE.org](http://WA-ACTE.org).

In school year 2016-2017, Washington served **314,823** CTE high school students and **159,636** CTE postsecondary students.

In Fiscal Year 2019, Washington received an estimated **$22,962,947** in federal Perkins funding—about $1.27 million more than in 2018.

Exemplary CTE Programs in Washington

- **Wenatchee School District** (WSD) recently developed a Labor and Industries registered youth apprenticeship program for computer technicians. Sixteen- to 18-year-old students in the WSD are eligible to apply for the apprenticeship, during which they become an employee of WSD and work under a journeyman technician. The program includes a 2,000-hour paid position with on-the-job training, and 180 hours of related instruction. The students receive high school and college credit through Wenatchee Valley Community College. At the completion of the program, students receive a nationally recognized certificate. *(Information from WA-ACTE)*

- At **Sno-Isle Tech Skills Center**, Diesel Power Technology students are beta testing a new multi-platform diagnostic analysis system in partnership with the international company, **AUTEL**. Students utilize the software in the school shop with a variety of engines and systems, then communicate with AUTEL developers via telephone to suggest system updates and changes for ease of use from the technician’s viewpoint. A system engineer from AUTEL China met with students on site at Sno-Isle in January to gather their feedback and to further modify the diagnostic analysis system for technician ease of use, before going to the consumer market. *(Information from WA-ACTE)*

In school year 2016-2017:

- **88** percent of Washington CTE high school students graduated
- **78** percent met performance goals for reading/language arts
- **88** percent met performance goals for technical skills
- **100** percent of Washington CTE postsecondary students achieved an industry-recognized credential, certificate or degree

*Data from the U.S. Department of Education Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education*