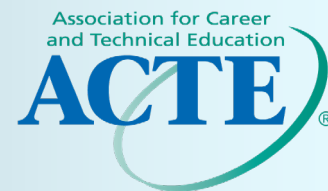


South Dakota

CTE Fact Sheet 2020



Career and Technical Education (CTE) 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 <https://doe.sd.gov/cte> and <http://sdacteonline.org>.

In school year 2017-2018, **30,862** high school students and **6,695** postsecondary students participated in CTE in South Dakota.

In Fiscal Year 2020, South Dakota received an estimated **\$5,247,487** in federal Perkins funding—about \$98,370 more than in Fiscal Year 2019.

CTE Highlights in South Dakota

- **Workforce Education Grants:** In 2013, the Workforce Education Fund was established. Part of that fund provides Workforce Education Grants for CTE programs in secondary schools. Since its inception, the grants have supported numerous programs across the state to improve or implement high-quality CTE programs to prepare students for high-skill, high-wage careers. Recipients for 2019 included Dell Rapids, Deubrook Area, Harrisburg, Menno, Mitchell, Rapid City Area Schools, Sioux Falls Catholic Schools (O’Gorman High School) and Tea Area.
- **Career Readiness Certifications:** A six-year partnership between the South Dakota Department of Education and South Dakota Department of Labor has allowed secondary schools and CTE programs to offer the National Career Readiness Certification assessment to students. The six-year partnership enabled over 18,000 students to earn the certification.
- **South Dakota Week of Work:** Governor Kristi Noem designated April 20-24, 2020, as South Dakota Week of Work. The goal of the initiative is to introduce 10th-graders to career opportunities in their communities through job shadows, industry tours and business/classroom connections.

Student Performance (2018)

- **96%** of secondary CTE concentrators graduated.
- **97%** of secondary CTE concentrators met performance goals for technical skills.
- **87%** of secondary CTE concentrators went on to postsecondary education, the workforce, the military or an apprenticeship.
- **97%** of postsecondary CTE concentrators met performance goals for technical skills.

Data from the U.S. Department of Education Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education (Perkins IV)

Labor Market Trends

- **55%** of South Dakota’s labor market consists of middle-skill jobs, but only **49%** of the state’s workers are trained at the middle-skill level.
- The **top 5** industries for “good jobs” that pay a median income of \$55,000+ **without a bachelor’s degree** are management, sales, office and administrative support, construction and extraction, and production.

Data from National Skills Coalition Middle-Skill Job Fact Sheets and the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce’s Good Jobs Project