

CTE in Connecticut



The Connecticut economy is experiencing a skills gap...

48% of jobs in Connecticut require skills training—more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

38% of Connecticut workers are trained at this level.

Career and technical education (CTE) programs can fill these gaps, particularly in Connecticut's key industries, like:

- advanced manufacturing
- bioscience and health care
- film, television and digital media
- green energy



93% of Connecticut postsecondary CTE concentrators met performance goals for technical skills in 2018.

Many students are already enrolled in CTE in Connecticut, developing technical, academic and employability skills and engaging in work-based experiences with industry partners. During the 2018-19 school year, Connecticut had:

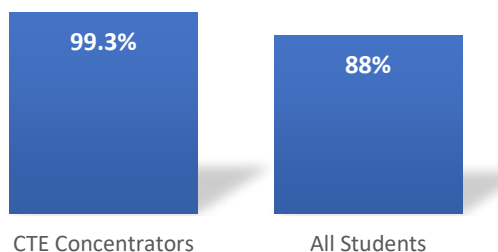
125,350

secondary CTE participants

68,075

postsecondary CTE participants

These youth and adult learners in CTE programs are more engaged, graduate high school at higher rates, earn industry-recognized credentials, and have rewarding and family-sustaining careers.



Four-year cohort graduation rate in Connecticut (2017-18)

12,748

postsecondary credentials earned by CTE students in Connecticut (2016-17)



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Connecticut to ensure that all learners, including historically underserved learners, have access to high-quality CTE programs in high-skill, high-wage and in-demand career fields.

CTE: Good for Students, Good for Business, Good for Communities!

FY 20 Federal Perkins CTE Funding for Connecticut

\$11,010,617