

CTE in Washington, DC



The District of Columbia's economy is experiencing a skills gap...

27% of jobs in the District require skills training—more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

21% of District workers are trained at this level.

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

- real estate and construction
- health care and life sciences
- technology
- professional services



DC Career Conversations is a web-based tool where industry professionals, CTE students and teachers connect by live video.

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

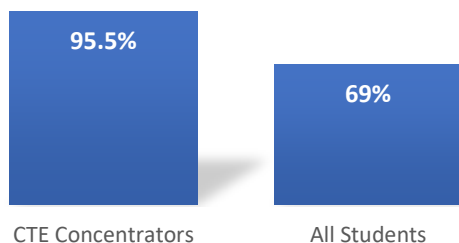
3,251

secondary CTE participants

1,104

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 Washington, DC (2017-18)

1,369

postsecondary credentials earned by CTE students in Washington, DC (2016-17)



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across the District of Columbia 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 Washington, DC

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