54% of jobs in Kansas require skills training—more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

Career and technical education (CTE) programs can develop this workforce, particularly in Kansas's key industries, like:

- advanced manufacturing
- agriculture
- aerospace and defense
- energy and natural resources

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

- **145,916** secondary CTE participants
- **23,106** 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.

More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Kansas 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 Concentrators**

- Four-year cohort graduation rate in Kansas (2017-18)
  - 98.9%

**All Students**

- 87%

**FY 20 Federal Perkins CTE Funding for Kansas**

- **$11,553,018**