

CTE in Utah



The Utah economy is experiencing a skills gap...

53% of jobs in Utah require skills training—
more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

42% of Utah workers are trained at this level.

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

- advanced manufacturing
- energy
- life sciences and health care innovation
- outdoor products and recreation



16,580 industry certifications were earned by Utah secondary students in 2019.

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

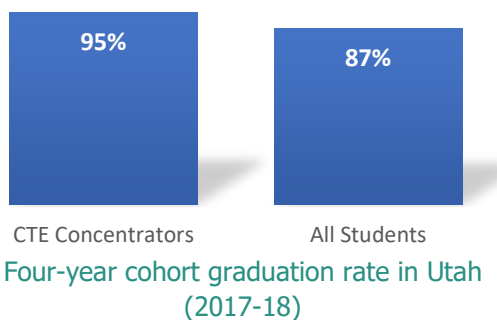
141,344

secondary CTE participants

72,718

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 Utah (2017-18)

16,715

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



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Utah 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!

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