

CTE in West Virginia



The West Virginia economy is experiencing a skills gap...

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

43% of West Virginia workers are trained at this level.

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

- agriculture
- energy
- fulfillment distribution
- manufacturing



92% of West Virginia secondary CTE concentrators met performance goals for technical skills in 2018.

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

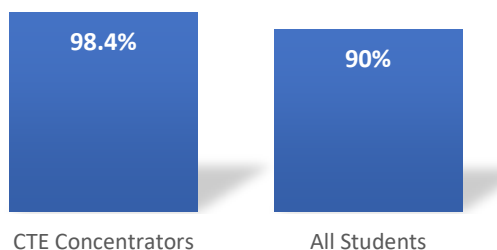
42,390

secondary CTE participants

17,403

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 West Virginia (2017-18)

9,335

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



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across West Virginia 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 West Virginia

\$8,952,942