The Wyoming economy is experiencing a skills gap...  

55% of jobs in Wyoming require skills training—more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.  

48% of Wyoming workers are trained at this level.  

Career and technical education (CTE) programs can fill these gaps, particularly in Wyoming’s key industries, like:  
  - agriculture  
  - energy  
  - health care  
  - manufacturing  

Many students are already enrolled in CTE in Wyoming, developing technical, academic and employability skills and engaging in work-based experiences with industry partners. During the 2019-20 school year, Wyoming had:  

17,052 secondary CTE participants  

15,041 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.  

97% of Wyoming secondary CTE concentrators went on to postsecondary education or advanced training, the military or employment (2018).  

More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Wyoming 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 21 Federal Perkins CTE Funding for Wyoming  

$5,392,734  

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