

CTE in Delaware



The Delaware economy is experiencing a skills gap...

50% of jobs in Delaware require skills training—more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

43% of Delaware workers are trained at this level.

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

- science and technology
- food and agriculture
- manufacturing and logistics
- education and health care



15,056 high school students earned postsecondary credit in Delaware Pathways CTE programs in 2019-20, an increase of nearly 88% since 2015-16.

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

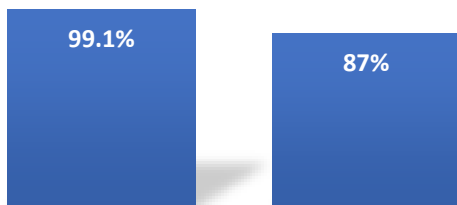
28,105

secondary CTE participants

10,660

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.



CTE Concentrators All Students
Four-year cohort graduation rate in Delaware (2017-18)

2,347

postsecondary credentials earned by CTE students in Delaware (2019-20)



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Delaware 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 Delaware

\$5,814,321