The Georgia economy is experiencing a skills gap...

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

42% of Georgia workers are trained at this level.

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

- automotive
- food processing
- digital media and entertainment
- warehouse distribution

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

665,462 secondary CTE participants

88,549 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.

26,948 Georgia high school students participated in work-based learning and youth apprenticeship programs in 2019-20.

More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Georgia 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 Georgia

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