

CTE in Mississippi



The Mississippi economy is experiencing a skills gap...

57% of jobs in Mississippi require skills training—more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

50% of Mississippi workers are trained at this level.



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

- advanced manufacturing
- aerospace
- energy
- information technology

In 2018, 92% of Mississippi postsecondary CTE students earned an industry-recognized credential, a certificate or a degree.

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

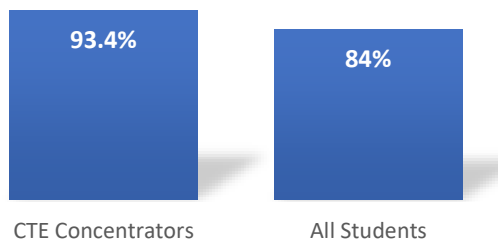
28,341

secondary CTE participants

22,347

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 Mississippi (2017-18)

15,322

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



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Mississippi 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 Mississippi

\$14,853,539