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.

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96.7% CTE Concentrators

82% All Students

Four-year cohort graduation rate in Wyoming (2017-18)

2,667 postsecondary credentials earned by CTE students in Wyoming (2019-20)

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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