The Michigan economy is experiencing a skills gap...  

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

48% of Michigan workers are trained at this level. 

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

- mobility and automotive manufacturing  
- life sciences and medical devices  
- engineering design and development  
- film and digital media 

Many students are already enrolled in CTE in Michigan, developing technical, academic and employability skills and engaging in work-based experiences with industry partners. During the 2020-21 school year, Michigan had: 

84,971 secondary CTE participants 

117,797 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. 

97,176 Michigan high school students participated in a CTE work-based learning experience during the 2020-21 school year. 

More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Michigan 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 23 Federal Perkins CTE Funding for Michigan 

$46,526,796