CTE in Minnesota

The Minnesota economy is experiencing a skills gap...

49% of jobs in Minnesota require skills training more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

45% of Minnesota workers are trained at this level.

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

- advanced manufacturing
- retail
- clean tech and renewable energy
- food and agriculture

In 2021, 90% of Minnesota postsecondary CTE concentrators were employed, pursued further education, or joined the military or Peace Corps immediately after program completion.

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

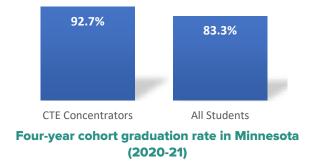
121,915

44,400

secondary CTE participants

postsecondary/adult 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.



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Minnesota 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!

