

CTE in Montana



The Montana economy is experiencing a skills gap...

51% of jobs in Montana require skills training—more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

47% of Montana workers are trained at this level.

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

- advanced and traditional manufacturing
- agriculture and ag tech
- energy and energy tech
- ecommerce and logistics



30% of Montana high school students are enrolled in a CTE dual enrollment course.

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

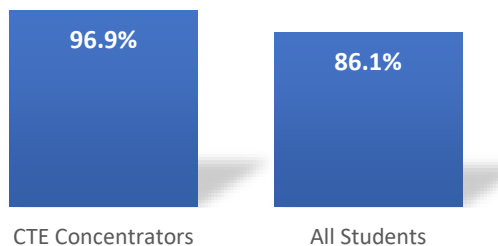
27,201

secondary CTE participants

9,108

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 Montana (2020-21)

2,076

postsecondary credentials earned by CTE students in Montana (2020-21)



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Montana 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 Montana

\$6,742,407