

CTE in Washington



The Washington economy is experiencing a skills gap...

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

38% of Washington workers are trained at this level.

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

- aerospace
- agriculture and food manufacturing
- information and communications technology
- maritime



96% of Washington high school CTE concentrators who graduated in 2021 had completed dual credit courses.

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

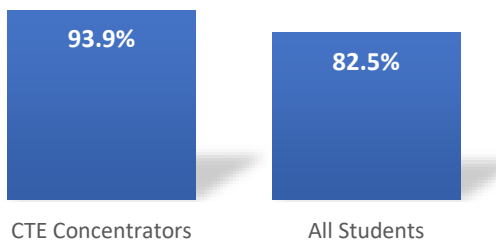
168,718

secondary CTE participants

93,270

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 Washington (2020-21)

30,218

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



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Washington 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 Washington

\$25,945,021