

# CTE in Alabama



The Alabama economy is experiencing a skills gap...

**58%** of jobs in Alabama require skills training—more education than high school but less than a four-year degree.

**47%** of Alabama workers are trained at this level.

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

- aerospace and aviation
- agricultural products and food production
- automotive
- metal and advanced materials



In 2021-22, 586 CTE courses articulated directly to college credit in 32 programs of study at Alabama community colleges.

Many students are already enrolled in CTE in Alabama, developing technical, academic and employability skills and engaging in work-based experiences with industry partners. During the 2021-22 school year, Alabama had:

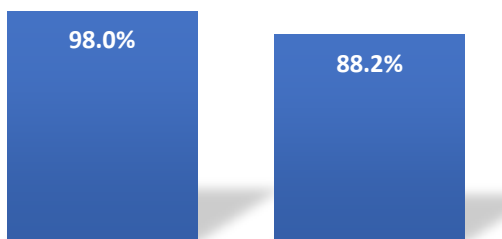
**40,266**

secondary CTE participants

**36,426**

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 Alabama (2021-22)**

**18,446**

postsecondary credentials earned by CTE students in Alabama (2021-22)



More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Alabama 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 Alabama**

**\$24,204,914**