

# CTE in Washington, DC



**45** workers are available for every 100 open jobs in the District. Career and technical education (CTE) programs can prepare students to address this shortage, particularly in key District industries, such as:

- technology and innovation
- hospitality and tourism
- higher education and healthcare
- international business



In 2023, 56% of DC high school CTE concentrators participated in an internship or apprenticeship.

Many students are already enrolled in CTE in the District, developing technical, academic and employability skills and engaging in work-based experiences with industry partners. During the 2022-23 school year, the District had:

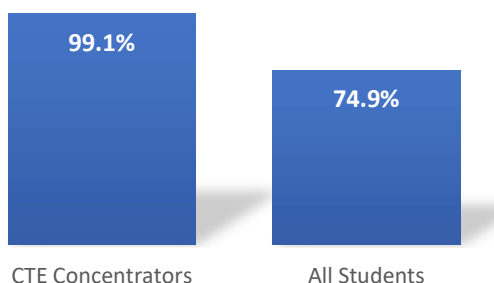
**5,019**

secondary CTE participants

**1,441**

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 the District (2021-22)**

**1,384**  
sub-baccalaureate credentials in CTE fields  
awarded to District students (2022-23)

More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across the District to ensure that all learners have access to high-quality CTE programs in high-skill, high-wage and in-demand career fields.

**FY 25 Federal Perkins CTE  
Funding for the District**

**\$5,909,176**

***CTE: Good for Students, Good for Business, Good for Communities***