

CTE in Texas



32% of Texas jobs will require education beyond high school but less than a bachelor's degree by 2031. Career and technical education (CTE) programs prepare students for these jobs in key Texas industries such as:

- advanced manufacturing
- aerospace, aviation and defense
- energy
- creative industry



In 2023, more than 115,000 Texas high school CTE concentrators graduated with an industry-based certification, an associate degree or a Level I or Level II certificate.

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

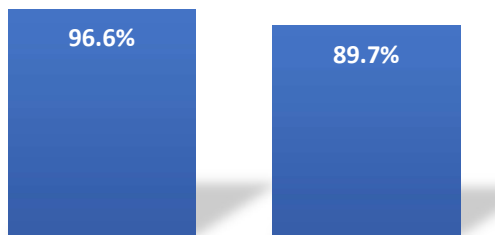
1,189,533

secondary CTE participants

177,934

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.



CTE Concentrators All Students
Four-year cohort graduation rate in Texas (2021-22)

116,057

sub-baccalaureate credentials in CTE fields awarded to Texas students (2022-23)

More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across Texas 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 Texas

\$129,154,108

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