

CTE in West Virginia



31% of West Virginia 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 West Virginia industries such as:

- manufacturing
- food and agriculture
- defense
- film



In 2023, 97% West Virginia high school CTE concentrators pursued postsecondary education, joined the military or the Peace Corps, or entered the workforce immediately after graduation.

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

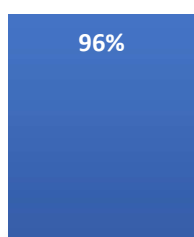
55,038

secondary CTE participants

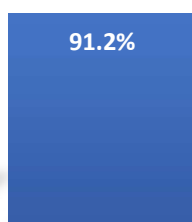
13,673

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 West Virginia (2021-22)

9,181

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

**FY 25 Federal Perkins CTE
Funding for West Virginia**

\$9,829,311

More investment is needed to scale CTE programs across West Virginia to ensure that all 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