

CTE in Kentucky



Career and technical education (CTE) programs equip students with the skills and experience necessary to pursue careers in key Kentucky industries such as:



primary
metals



health care



automotive



agritech

In 2024, over 13,500 Kentucky high school seniors earned an industry-recognized credential.

Many students are already enrolled in CTE in Kentucky, developing technical, academic and employability skills and engaging in work-based learning experiences with industry partners.

During the 2023-24 school year, Kentucky had:

146,147

secondary CTE participants

34,139

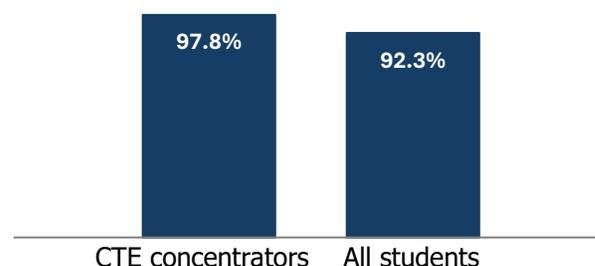
postsecondary CTE participants

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.

FY 25 Federal Perkins CTE
Funding for Kentucky

\$22,018,247

Four-year graduation rate in Kentucky
(2023-24)



Supporting CTE programs across Kentucky ensures that students have access to rigorous and industry-relevant coursework in high-skill, high-wage and in-demand fields.

42,872

Postsecondary certificates and associate degrees in CTE fields awarded to Kentucky students (2023-24)

CTE: Good for Students, Good for Businesses, Good for Communities