

CTE in Texas



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



life sciences and biotechnology



hospitality, tourism and culture



transportation and logistics



energy evolution

In 2024, over 132,000 Texas secondary CTE concentrators earned an industry-recognized credential, associate degree or higher before graduating.

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

During the 2023-24 school year, Texas had:

1,879,741

secondary CTE participants

177,429

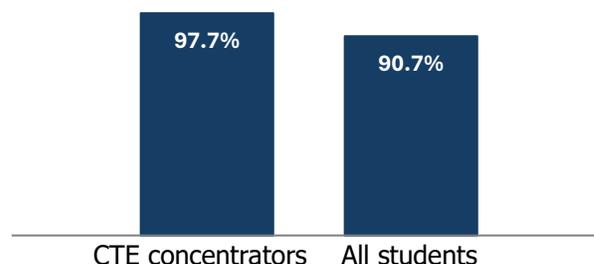
postsecondary CTE participants

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 Texas

\$129,154,108

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



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

127,445

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

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