

# CARL D. PERKINS CTE FEDERAL EDUCATION ACT

Since 2006, nearly 1.5 million Utah students have benefited from the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Federal Education Act.



Learning that works  
for Utah

## 187,580

Utah secondary students  
enrolled in CTE courses

Courses within CTE Career Pathways use industry-based state-approved standards and are assessed using state-developed and/or industry-recognized skill certification tests.

Funds allocated to the state of Utah have been used to increase opportunities for students by providing enhanced programs of study, high quality courses, and hands-on technical skills training.

## Perkins V

Reauthorized July 2018 (Public Law 115-224).

Perkins V is dedicated to increasing learner access to high-quality CTE programs of study.

- **Provides** funds for public school districts and charter schools, as well as the Utah System of Higher Education (USHE) institutions.
- **Establishes** a tool for accountability and continuous improvement in CTE.
- **Emphasizes** CTE reform, innovation, and continuous improvement to ensure that students acquire the knowledge and skills to meet rigorous and challenging academic standards and industry-recognized skill standards that are necessary for:
  - > Postsecondary education. > Lifelong learning.
  - > High-skill, high-wage, and in-demand careers.

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Utah Secondary  
CTE Career Pathways

Utah CTE Career Pathways align with the national Career Clusters®. Utah CTE Career Pathways are categorized by Career Cluster and each CTE Career Pathway culminates in a credential of value.

### WHAT CTE DOES FOR STUDENTS:

- Expands students' options.
- Offers a path to success.
- Challenges students to think.
- Tests career interests.
- Provides concurrent enrollment.
- Helps pay for postsecondary education.
- Broadens lifelong career and education options.
- Develops life skills that apply to any career.

### UTAH PERKINS: TOP FOUR GOALS

1. Promote programs of study (Career Pathways).
2. Improve student performance.
3. Improve teacher quality.
4. Meet the needs of special populations.

### FOCUS ON STUDENT CTE CAREER PATHWAY CONCENTRATION AND COMPLETION

- Complete a secondary CTE Career Pathway.
- Earn a credential of value.
- Graduate from high school.
- Transition to postsecondary education to complete a certificate or degree.
- Enter a high-skill, high-wage, and/or in-demand occupation.

## Student Success

The funding Utah receives is used to create CTE Career Pathways that help move students from a seamless secondary education to postsecondary education, culminating in degrees or certificates. All students are provided access to high-quality, rigorous career-focused programs that result in attainment of credentials with labor market value.

"CTE courses taught me an abundance of skills relating to preparation for future workplace environments. I learned how to become a better listener, observer, and leader. I feel these skills will benefit me in my self-development as a person with character and my future as a business owner. CTE courses gave me firsthand experience and knowledge in various capacities. I was able to see where my skills sets and interest are and ways in which they can serve a greater purpose." —Dylan Betts

"I desire to go into mechanical engineering with an emphasis in biomedical engineering. The CTE courses I completed guided me towards my future career. I did not know what I wanted to go into and taking these courses convinced me to go into engineering. I have gained so many valuable skills from taking CTE courses that will help me not only in the workplace but in my everyday life. I know what I want to do with my future and I am dead set on it. Taking CTE courses in engineering showed me a glimpse of what working as an engineer will be like." —Selena Pham

CTE offers students opportunities for career awareness and preparation by providing them with the academic knowledge, hands-on technical skills training, and work-related skills to be successful in postsecondary education, training, and the evolving workforce of the 21st century.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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# UTAH CTE FACTS

## UTAH SECONDARY

### CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

CTE courses and programs are delivered through:

- 177 public middle/jr. high schools
- 157 public high schools and charter schools
- 7 CTE Technical Centers

### UTAH POSTSECONDARY

#### CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CTE

courses and programs are provided in:

- 9 technical colleges
- 7 public colleges and universities

## UTAH CTE ENROLLMENT

- 187,580 secondary students
- 80,195 postsecondary students

## UTAH SKILL CERTIFICATES

- 2024 CTE Competency Certificates earned = 191,109

## STATEWIDE PERFORMANCE REPORT

| Utah Perkins Performance Report — Secondary                   | 2023   |
|---|--------|
| Four-Year Graduation Rate (1S1)                               | 97.00% |
| Academic Proficiency In Reading/Language Arts (2S1)           | 50.80% |
| Academic Proficiency In Mathematics (2S2)                     | 33.80% |
| Academic Proficiency in Science (2S3)                         | 39.80% |
| Secondary Placement (3S1)                                     | 72.18% |
| Nontraditional Program Enrollment (4S1)                       | 34.24% |
| Program Quality - Participated in Work-Based Learning (5S3)   | 12.59% |
| Program Quality - Attained Secondary Pathway Completion (5S4) | 36.32% |
| Program Quality - Workplace and College Readiness (5S5)       | 85.25% |

| Utah Perkins Performance Report — Postsecondary | 2023   |
|---|--------|
| Postsecondary Retention and Placement (1P1)     | 64.97% |
| Credential, Certificate or Diploma (2P1)        | 65.80% |
| Nontraditional Program Enrollment (3P1)         | 15.56% |



## UTAH PERKINS ALLOCATION HISTORY

| Fiscal Year | Total Allocation | Secondary Formula | Postsecondary Formula | State Leadership and Development | Administration |
|-------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| FY24        | \$17,267,879     | \$7,925,957       | \$5,283,972           | \$1,726,788                      | \$863,394      |
| FY23        | \$16,574,719     | \$7,607,798       | \$5,071,865           | \$1,657,471                      | \$828,735      |