

# CTE Works for You

Gain the Skills You Need  
for the Future You Want

WEST DAKOTA

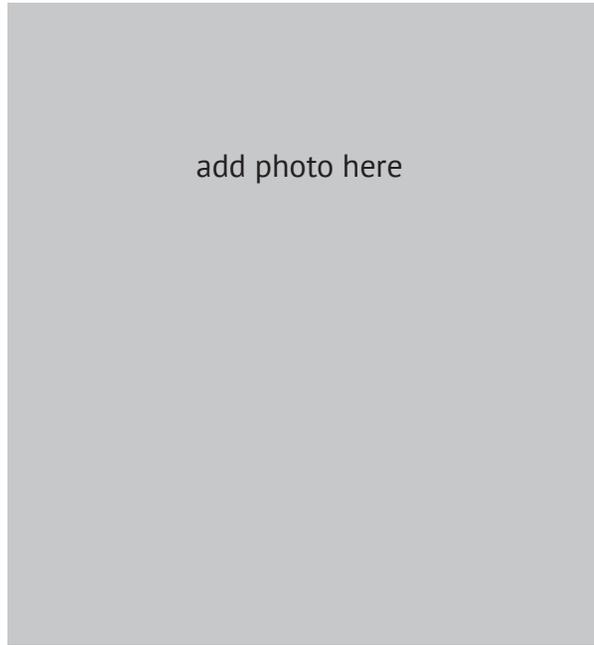
Career Technical Education (CTE) gives you the opportunity to explore careers and acquire real-world skills while learning the academic content you need for your future.

## Many postsecondary learners participate in CTE.



of postsecondary learners are CTE concentrators\*

\*Completed at least 12 credits in a CTE program or completed a program that encompasses fewer than 12 credits



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## CTE helps you explore careers and gain real-world experience.

49% of graduating postsecondary CTE concentrators participated in work-based learning

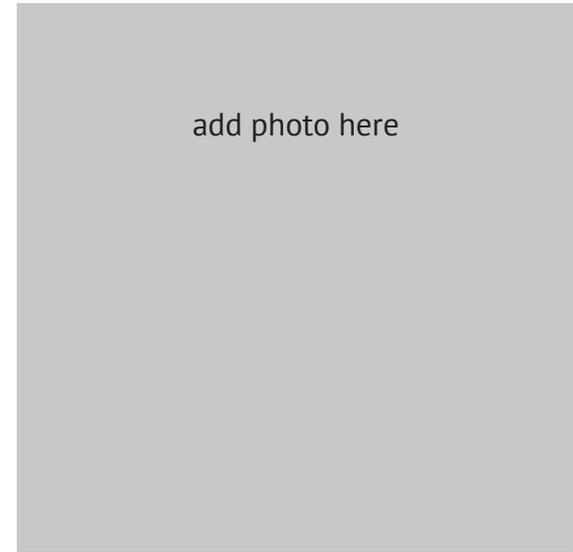


including job shadowing, internships, apprenticeships and workplace readiness activities



Programs offer flexible scheduling for postsecondary learners

who have jobs, family care responsibilities or other commitments



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## CTE puts you on a path to success.

After postsecondary CTE program completion:



82%

of CTE concentrators had earned a credential of value



37%

remained enrolled in postsecondary education



76%

were employed, in advanced training or in the military within 6 months

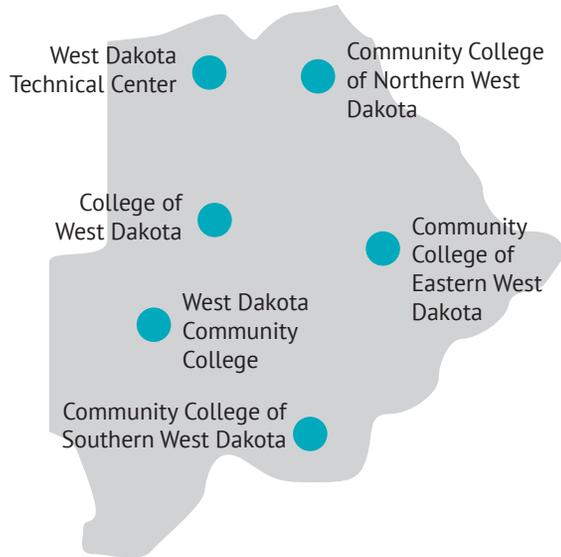
32% were employed

42% went on to advanced training

Numbers may total more than 100 percent because some learners may be counted in more than one category.

All data are from the 2018-19 school year unless otherwise noted.

## CTE programs are available statewide.

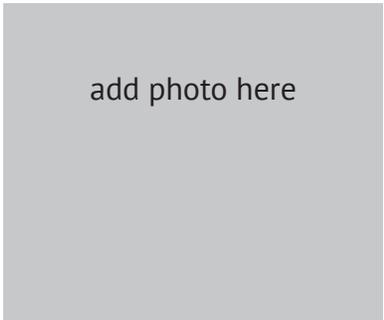
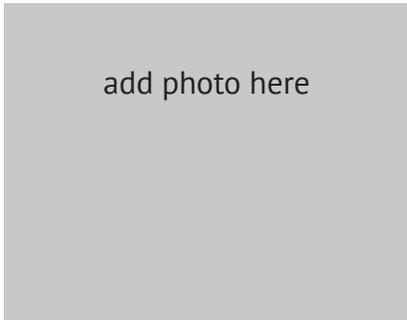


**100+** CTE programs  
*are offered in*  
**16** Career Clusters®  
*at colleges across the state*

## Get started now on the career you want.

Top 5 industries in West Dakota with openings for jobs that pay well but do not require a bachelor's degree (BA)

	 Manufacturing	 Health services	 Transportation and utilities	 Construction	 Retail trade
<i>Number of non-BA good jobs</i>	95,000	43,000	42,000	32,000	29,000
<i>Median wage</i>	\$58,000	\$51,000	\$61,000	\$57,000	\$51,000
<i>Number of related CTE programs in the state</i>	<b>33</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>15</b>



“I had a part-time job to help pay the bills and was taking care of my ailing mother. I knew I wanted to work in health care but wasn’t sure how to get into the field and what options were available. My advisor recommended CTE. I learned about different health care careers, and the flexible schedule meant I could take the classes I needed when I needed them. Now I work as a nursing assistant at a long-term care facility.” —Jose Ramos

To find out more about CTE programs and how to enroll, visit [website.org](http://website.org).