## **Aligning CTE Programs of Study to Opportunity**

Career Technical Education (CTE) programs of study and related credentials and work-based learning experiences — must be aligned with state-developed definitions of "high skill,""high wage" and "in demand" to ensure that only CTE programs that are relevant to today's economy receive funding.



### **State Definition**



#### **High Skill**

Education, training and/or certification beyond a high school diploma required

**DC Definition:** Requires completion of an apprenticeship, industry-recognized certificate or credential, associate degree or higher.



#### **High Wage**

Hourly or yearly wages equal to or exceeding a statewide and/or regional average/median for all jobs



MN Definition: Pays above the median wage for all occupations (\$41,479 based of 2018 data).



#### In Demand

Overall growth of and openings in particular careers or jobs typically above a statewide average

**OK Definition:** Has state, local or regional labor market data that show demand exceeds projected employment supply.

# Does CTE Program of Study Align?





CTE students in programs with labor market value



**Learner success** 

