The State of Career Technical Education: Employer Engagement in CTE

The National Association of State Directors of Career Technical Education Consortium (NASDCTEc) recently released *The State of Career Technical Education: Employer Engagement in CTE*. In the development of this report, NASDCTEc uncovered a wealth of meaningful state efforts and practices that foster and support employer engagement in CTE, many of which are featured in the report. To provide even more examples for leaders looking to accelerate employer engagement and learn from other states, we have created this document, which will be updated over time, to highlight even more strong practices from across the country.

State-based Incentives for Supporting CTE


State-based Competitive Grants for Supporting CTE


State Work-based Learning Initiatives and Supports

- West Virginia’s Simulated Workplace program: [http://wvde.state.wv.us/simulated-workplace/](http://wvde.state.wv.us/simulated-workplace/)

Interagency Collaboration

- Indiana’s Career Councils: [http://www.in.gov/icc/2377.htm](http://www.in.gov/icc/2377.htm)
- Nevada’s Industry Sector Councils: [http://detr.state.nv.us/GWIB_SectorCouncils/gwib_index.htm](http://detr.state.nv.us/GWIB_SectorCouncils/gwib_index.htm)

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- New Jersey’s Talent Networks, see: http://www.jobs4jersey.com/toolkit/talent/
- Rhode Island’s Board of Trustees for Career and Technical Education: http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/PublicLaws/law14/law14410.htm
- South Dakota’s Workforce Initiatives: www.southdakotawins.com

State-level Guidance on Engagement

Employer Engagement in CTE Standards & Industry-recognized Credentials
- Florida Career and Professional Education Act (CAPE): http://careersourceflorida.com/cape/
- Kansas’ Excel in Career Technical Education: http://www.kansasregents.org/governors_cte_initiative
- Tennessee’s Standards Revision Process: http://tn.gov/education/cte/revisions/PhaselIOnePagerOctober.pdf

Employer-Supported Professional Development:

Employer Recognition Programs
- Kansas’ Employer Engagement Initiative: http://www.kansasregents.org/employer_engagement_initiative
- Virginia’s CTE Hall of Fame: http://www.vcef.net/virginia-career-and-technical-education-hall-of-fame/

Partnerships of Note:
- Connecticut’s Eastern Advanced Manufacturing Alliance: http://eamainc.org/
- Maine’s Precision Machining Technology Apprenticeship Program: http://www.mmpco.com/careers/scholarship_program.asp
- Mississippi TECH Master Program: http://www.msmec.com/mississippi-scholars-tech-master-curriculum

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New York’s P-TECH Schools (partnership with IBM):