



CTEWORKS

NEWS AND UPDATES

With back-to-school season in full swing, we're excited to bring you the latest updates, insights, and resources to support your efforts to achieve *Career Technical Education (CTE) Without Limits*.

Over the past several months, Advance CTE has been actively engaging our community across a number of initiatives, including travel to over 10 states. We resumed our popular webinar series featuring speakers from across the country with strategies to support special populations. We also introduced a new online directory to help you tap into the expertise of our Postsecondary CTE Fellowship alumni. And as we approach our Fall Meeting, we are gearing up for a milestone event—the release of the final modernized National Career Clusters® Framework following a summer National Validation Survey that received over 1,400 responses.

In this August edition of CTEWorks, you'll find a recap of current **CTE-related policy trends**, tools to help **effectively communicate CTE's impact**, and **new resources and upcoming events** from Advance CTE. As the new academic year begins, we are here to equip you with everything you need to champion CTE in your community!

Mid Year 2024 State CTE Policy Trends: What's New?

Each year, Advance CTE and the Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTE) track and analyze state policies that impact CTE. The [2023 report](#) highlighted key areas of

focus across the nation, revealing where states were making the most significant investments and changes.



Top Categories in 2023

Top Categories in 2024 (so far)

1	Industry Partnerships and Work-Based Learning	48 policies enacted	Funding	54 policies enacted	1
2	Data, Reporting, and/or Accountability	37 policies enacted	Industry Partnerships and Work-Based Learning	30 policies enacted	2
3	Funding	32 policies enacted	Access and Equity	28 policies enacted	3
4	Governance	24 policies enacted	Data, Reporting, and/or Accountability	26 policies enacted	4
5	Graduation Requirements	18 policies enacted	Industry Recognized Credentials	19 policies enacted	5

What's Next? If you joined us for the webinar, you know these trends are shaping the future of CTE. If you missed it, don't worry—you can catch up on the full discussion and dive deeper into these trends in the recording below. We'll continue to monitor these trends as the year progresses, with the final 2024 report coming early next year.

[Watch the recording](#)

Are you following us?

We post daily on [LinkedIn](#) with information on CTE, resources, research, and more!

Upcoming Events



2024 Fall Meeting: *Shaping Tomorrow's CTE* is about our shared dedication to advancing CTE to meet the needs of today's learners and tomorrow's workforce. Together, we're setting the stage for transformative changes, and our agenda is crafted to equip you with the insights and tools necessary to navigate and champion these advancements.

We are excited that our meeting will coincide with the final unveiling of a modernized National Career Clusters® Framework and serve as a first space to discuss implementation and connection to the larger CTE ecosystem.

Explore the working agenda, along with registration instructions and FAQs, on our [event page](#). We look forward to seeing you in sunny Phoenix, AZ October 21-23!

Sharing the CTE Difference

Impactful and Collaborative Practices to Effectively Communicate Career Pathway Initiatives

New resource from Advance CTE with strategies, recommendations, and guiding structures to **create impactful and collaborative structures that communicate progress and impact for cross-sector career pathway endeavors of all sizes**, including large-scale, cross-sector initiatives.



Impactful and Collaborative Practices to Effectively Communicate Career Pathway Initiatives

[Explore the brief](#)

Fact Sheet: The Value and Promise of CTE

Highlight the impact of CTE with this fact sheet, featuring key statistics on how CTE benefits students and their families based on research by Advance CTE.

The Value and Promise of Career Technical Education Fact Sheet

Below are some of the top findings from *The Value and Promise of Career Technical Education*.

CTE Delivers for Students

- Students in CTE programs and their parents are twice as likely to report they are "very satisfied" with their and their children's ability to learn real-world skills as part of their current education compared to parents and students not involved in CTE.
- 86% of parents and students want real-world, hands-on opportunities as part of their high school experience.

91%

of parents of students in CTE believe their child is getting a leg up on their career, compared to only 44% of prospective parents.

82%

of CTE students are satisfied with their ability to learn real-world skills in school, compared to only 51% of non-CTE students.

80%

of parents of students in CTE are satisfied with their ability to participate in internships, compared to only 30% of prospective parents.

[View the factsheet](#)

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Is the content of this newsletter relevant to you?

Yes

Somewhat

No

Resource Corner

Latest from the Field



Varying Degrees 2024: New America's Eighth Annual Survey on Higher Education

Exploring Americans' perspectives on a variety of higher education issues, including



Paving Pathways for Multilinguals - Language Magazine

A guide to leveraging CTE in support of secondary multilingual learners

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ICYMI: New Advance CTE Resources



Alumni Directory

Connect with some of the foremost equity-minded postsecondary Career Technical Education leaders in the country



All-New Alumni Directory on the Advance CTE Website!

Last month, we announced a new tool designed to help you connect with the talent, passion, and expertise of the alumni of the **Postsecondary State Career Technical Education Leaders Fellowship at Advance CTE sponsored by ECMC Foundation**.

Key components of the Alumni Directory include:

- Areas of expertise
- Individual bio pages with real-world projects
- Contact information

Explore now and connect with some of the brightest and greatest minds in postsecondary CTE and workforce development today!



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ADVANCE CTE State Policy Tracker

Advance CTE's longitudinal **state policy tracker** compiles state-level policy enacted since 2013. This tracker is filterable by year, state, system, or content area.

ADVANCE CTE Research Warehouse DASHBOARD

The **Research Warehouse Dashboard** provides CTE leaders with relevant and timely CTE research that covers a wide range of topics and evidence-based outcomes.



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