

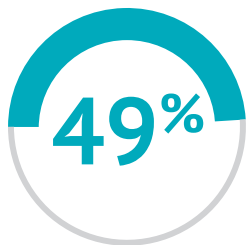
CTE Works for You

*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.

A wide range of learners participate in CTE.



of high school seniors are CTE concentrators*

*Completed at least two courses in a single CTE program

add photo here

CTE helps you explore careers and gain real-world experience in middle and high school.



700+

CTE programs are offered in 16 Career Clusters® across the state



51%

of graduating CTE concentrators participated in work-based learning

including job shadowing, internships, apprenticeships and workplace readiness activities



36%

of graduating CTE concentrators were members of a Career Technical Student Organization

participating in extracurricular activities related to their CTE program and learning leadership skills

See website.org for more details about available CTE programs, work-based learning and Career Technical Student Organizations.

CTE also helps you get an early start on college and careers in high school.



3,000+

high school CTE learners completed dual credit CTE courses

earning them college credit and saving time and money toward their degrees



1,515

credentials of value

were earned by high school CTE learners in 2017–18

demonstrating their job readiness and helping them stand out in the job market

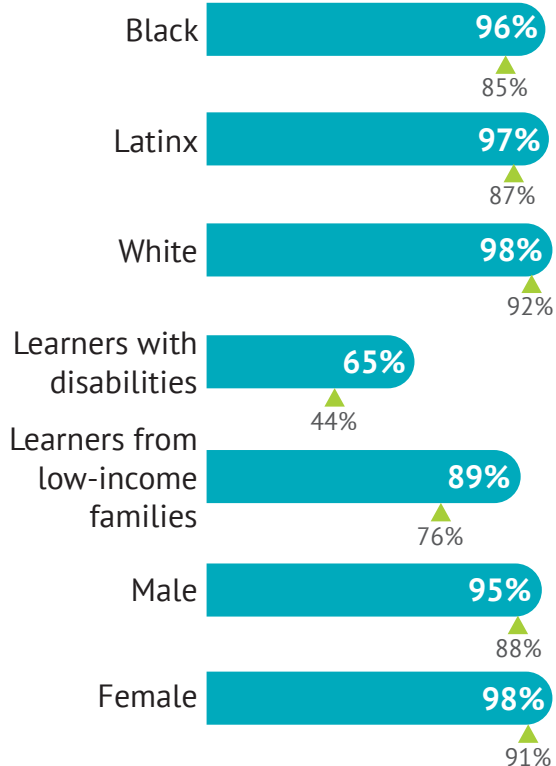
CTE learners graduate high school at higher rates.

97% of CTE concentrators graduate in 4 years

State average, all learners: 89%

By learner group

▲ State average



CTE learners go on to succeed after high school.

After high school graduation:



76% of CTE concentrators were enrolled in some form of postsecondary education

48% four-year college

28% two-year college

State average, all learners: 54%








9% were employed



3% were in the military

You can 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
Number of non-BA good jobs	95,000	43,000	42,000	32,000	29,000
Median wage	\$58,000	\$51,000	\$61,000	\$57,000	\$51,000
Number of related CTE programs in the state	150	136	63	98	74

"I wasn't very interested in high school, and no one in my family had ever gone to college. But then I saw a video about the Health Sciences CTE program and students practicing getting trapped people out of a damaged building. I saw how what I would learn could help people in the real world. Now I am studying to be a nurse." —Jose Ramos

To find out more about CTE programs in your school and how to enroll, talk to your counselor or a CTE teacher.