



## Career and Technical Education

# CTE DIRECTIONS

## Career and Technical Education (CTE) News and Information

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**Career and Technical Education provides all students access to high-quality, rigorous career-focused programs that result in attainment of credentials with labor market value.**

### CTSO National Conference Highlights

While many students were celebrating the end of the school year, and planning their summer vacation, members of Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO) were preparing to attend and compete in their respective national conference. Utah CTSO members in Educators Rising, FBLA, FCCLA, HOSA, SkillsUSA, and TSA joined their peers and competed in a variety of skill competitions. Utah CTE congratulates all members who participated and represented Utah and their CTSO extremely well. View the national conference winners on UtahCTE.org at <https://bit.ly/3Cb3ycC>.

"Without CTSOs, I can say for a fact that, I would not be who I am today. CTSO programs have helped me develop my leadership and public speaking skills and have helped me strengthen skills I will use for the rest of my life."

Brooklyn Stevenett, Utah HOSA President

### Utah DECA Video

The Utah DECA state officers have created a video to promote DECA and to recruit members. Watch as state officers talk about the benefits of joining Utah DECA [https://youtu.be/w6hOrT\\_dtSY](https://youtu.be/w6hOrT_dtSY). DECA: The next generation of business and civic leaders.



## YouScience

In partnership with Utah CTE, YouScience develops exams to test the knowledge of each student who participates in a CTE course and offers industry-recognized certifications. This year, 36 exams have been updated, 8 piloted exams are now available, and there are 6 new exams. The 2022-2023 YouScience catalog is available at <https://bit.ly/3P1Q0CX>.

## Pilot: Skills Certificate Tests

Beginning this school year, the Utah CTE Skill Certificate Program will be piloting six tests that have been translated into Spanish. The tests are Food and Nutrition 1, Automotive Introduction, Business Office Specialist, Exploring Computer Science, Child Development, and Digital Graphics Arts Intro. If you would like to participate in the pilot contact Greg Richens [greg.richens@schools.utah.gov](mailto:greg.richens@schools.utah.gov).

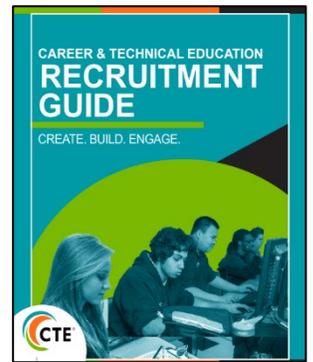


## NEW: Secondary Pathway Completion Infographic

The new Utah CTE Secondary Pathway Completion infographic <https://bit.ly/3ABtdZo> highlights the Perkins V definitions for a Pathway participant, concentrator, and completer.

## UPDATED: Utah CTE Recruitment Guide

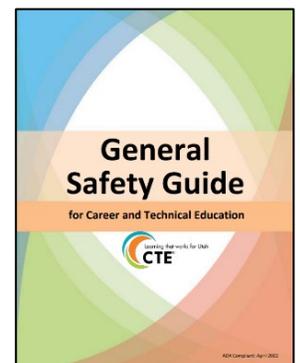
The CTE Recruitment Guide <https://bit.ly/3AYL4ee> has been updated to include a Nontraditional Careers section. In addition to this new section, a fillable notes page was added to the end of the Communications section, the Environment section, and the Events section. The Recruitment Guide can help you think about different strategies to use to market your CTE programs and recruit students.



## NEW: CTE General Safety Guide

The General Safety Guide for Career and Technical Education <https://bit.ly/3AZr4rK> is intended to be a reference for Career and Technical Education teachers in the state of Utah. The Utah State Board of Education (USBE) CTE department and Utah Safety Committee, led by USBE staff in collaboration with local education agencies (LEAs) and the Risk Management, have carefully considered applicable industry practices in the development of this Guide.

**Safety by Classroom | Best Practices | Online Connections**



## UEN Digital Locker

The Utah Education Network (UEN) has many resources to assist educators. Explore UEN's Digital Locker <https://www.uen.org/locker/> to get teaching ideas or to take your professional learning to the next level.



## Saige Bowman: New State CTE Education Specialist

We are happy to announce that Saige Bowman has joined our team as an education specialist. We would like to introduce her to you. Here is Saige in her own words.

“I was born and raised in the West Jordan area and attended Utah State University where I earned degrees in fine arts and psychology. I am currently working on a master's in educational leadership at Western Governors University and am loving what I am learning. I have spent the past 7 years teaching visual arts and production graphics at the middle and high school levels, assisting in coaching tennis, and advising HOPE squad, SkillsUSA, and student government.

“I am passionate about education and am beyond excited and honored to have the opportunity to serve with you all for the betterment of all our students' educations in this great state. I look forward to meeting, working with, and getting to know you all, and for you to get to know me. Cheers to the upcoming adventures!”



## Chad Warnick: 2023 Utah Teacher of the Year Finalist

Congratulations to Chad Warnick who is one of five finalists for the 2023 Utah Teacher of the Year <https://bit.ly/3dEDyfr>. Chad is an agriculture, biology, leadership, and communications teacher at Delta Technical Center in the Millard School District. Read more about Chad <https://bit.ly/3KXtMSI>.



## Kristina Yamada: 2022 Women Tech Award Finalist

Kristina Yamada, Utah CTE state education specialist, was named a 2022 Women Tech Award finalist for her leadership and innovation and for being a technologist and trailblazer. We congratulate Kristina on being an award finalist and thank her for all she does for the students of Utah. The 2022 Women Tech Award winner will be announced Thursday, September 22, 2022.



## What Students Are Saying About CTE



### Njomi Masumbe Netongo

“My first experience with CTE was in a graphic design class. It was there I learned about all the other CTE offerings and got interested in photography. I am on the yearbook staff where I am able to combine both photography and graphic design. Whatever I end up doing I know it will involve creating. I am leaning towards web development, as it is a combination of photography, graphic design, and writing. CTE classes provide a good base of experience and awareness of what jobs are out there, giving you a head start for your future,” said Njomi Masumbe Netongo

### Benjamin Baker

“CTE Pathways allowed me to take an extra step in my life. I had all my high school required credits completed by my junior year. CTE allowed me to continue with my life and start college early. I want to become a neurologist and I was able to get a lot of college credits through CTE, which will shorten my time in college,” said Benjamin Baker.



## Calendar:

September 1: [Utah State Board of Education Meeting](#) – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

September 8: [Utah State Charter School Board Meeting](#) – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

[Utah CTE Calendar](#) | [ACTE Calendar](#)

Utah CTE classes are open to all qualified students without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age.

