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.

Utah CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards

The online application to apply for a Utah CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards is LIVE! Learn about the scholarships/awards and how to apply at https://bit.ly/2NClq5k.

Last year, 258 high school seniors applied for a Utah CTE Scholarship and Tuition Award, with 90 of the applicants receiving a college scholarship/award. CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards are for outstanding students in Utah. The scholarships/awards are sponsored by the Utah State Board of Education with funds provided by participating higher education institutions.

Students, for the opportunity to receive one of 127 scholarships and tuition awards available at a Utah postsecondary institution complete an online application. Applications are due Friday, January 31, 2020 by 5:00 p.m. MST. The number of scholarships/awards offered, and the award amount, varies by institution. For detailed information visit the Scholarships and Tuition Awards webpage and read the flyer.

TIMELINE:
- Friday, January 31, 2020: Applications due
- March 2020: Recipients notified
- Tuesday, April 21, 2020: Awards Banquet

“Receiving this scholarship has helped me so much, especially financially. It is awesome to be doing what I have wanted to do since my freshmen year in high school,” said Jake Brady, a graduate of Tooele High School.

Student Highlight: James Bryner

James Bryner, a senior at Carbon High School, is the Utah FBLA State President. He attributes FBLA to helping him decide on a career.

“FBLA has had a major impact on my life and on my career decision. It showed me that I already had a grasp on certain business concepts, and from there I started to learn more about them. Because of the opportunities that FBLA has provided, I have pursued business throughout high school. This impact resulted in me being able to be my school’s Business Sterling Scholar and the opportunity to be a state officer of a CTSO. I plan on pursuing business in college, because of the head start that CTE has provided,” said James.

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Educator Highlight: Mandy Chapple

Mandy Chapple is the CTE supervisor in Davis School District. She shares what influenced her decision to become a CTE educator. Here is her story:

“I first dove into the CTE realm as a senior in high school. My father had lost his job, and I knew that in order to pay for college, I needed a career to help supplant the cost of a college education. During my senior year, I enrolled at a technical college and earned my Pharmacy Technician license. Because of that decision and working within the healthcare industry, tuition reimbursements helped pay for my bachelor’s degree. The simple process of looking to fund my education through a career propelled me into a lifelong CTE educator, when I found love in teaching 10 years of pharmacy technician students. My favorite thing when I was a teacher would be when students come back, years later, and tell me they are now doctors, pharmacists, or have continued with their career as a pharmacy technician because of my course.

“As an administrator at the school and district level, I strive to help students understand the myriad of possibilities that CTE students can explore from internship opportunities, careers in CTE, and/or scaffolding those opportunities into postsecondary education. Parents and students in every school district need to converse with their teachers and CTE coordinators to help understand exactly how many opportunities are available. Becoming a CTE student changed my life, and I have no doubt it would change yours for the better,” said Mandy.

Hour of Code 2019

The Hour of Code takes place each year during Computer Science Education Week. Computer Science Education Week is held in recognition of Admiral Grace Murray Hopper, who was a computer programming pioneer. Plan now to participate in the Hour of Code event December 9-15, 2019. During this event, millions of people across the world will learn how to code. You can organize an Hour of Code event at your school, at your workplace, or in your community.

Did you know?

- 40 percent of U.S. students have accounts on Code.org.
- 15 million of Code.org students are young women.
- 56 million projects have been created on Code.org.
- 1 million teachers use Code.org.
- 49 U.S. states support computer science.
- 50 percent of all Hour of Code participants are female students.

After the Hour of Code event, you can continue to learn how technology works and how to create software applications by continuing to code. Continue your journey at https://hourofcode.com/us/beyond.

Provo High School Welding Students

Congratulations to the welding students at Provo High School who won the 2019 Baileigh Inc. Welder Contest. The students not only won some swag, but they also won a welder. Awesome! Watch the contest video and view the group photo of the welding students.

What is happening in the Welding program at your school? Email your story to UtahCTE@schools.utah.gov.

Calendar:

November 7: Utah State Board of Education Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT
November 14: Utah State Charter School Board Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT
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