The CTE Supporting Programs include College and Career Awareness, Skill Certificate Program, and Work-Based Learning. Each program strengthens the ties between school and work by enhancing the CTE Career Pathway exploration and training.

52,473 students participated in College and Career Awareness.

Students identify their interests, abilities, and skills within the following career fields:

- Technical
- Scientific
- Arts & Recreation
- Social Humanitarian
- Marketing & Admin.
- Business Operations

57,535* CTE Skill Certificates earned

Skill Certifications are aligned with standards and objectives set by the state of Utah. Certifications are awarded based on students' knowledge and performance.

*COVID-19 impacted certifications earned.

6,374 students participated in Work-Based Learning activities, including internships, apprenticeships, and workplace readiness training.

Work-Based Learning Activities
- Apprenticeships
- Career Fairs
- Field Studies
- Guest Speakers
- Job Shadows
- Student Internships

Work-Based Learning (WBL) gives students the opportunity to see how classroom instruction connects to the world of work and future career opportunities.

WBL provides opportunities for students to learn a variety of skills through rigorous academic preparation with hands-on career development experiences. Under the guidance of adult mentors, students learn to work in teams, solve problems, and meet employers’ expectations.

2019-2020 Data Represents Secondary Education
Source of Data: Utah State Board of Education

COLLEGE AND CAREER AWARENESS

College and Career Awareness is a middle school course designed to increase awareness of college and career pathways. Students explore high school, college, and career options based on individual interests, abilities, and skills.

In College and Career Awareness, students investigate high-skill and/or in-demand jobs in the Utah labor market, while developing workplace skills.

College and Career Awareness lessons connect to science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Every career a student explores and every activity in which a student participates links to career opportunities in STEM.

SKILL CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The Skill Certificate Program initiative provides statewide competency-based student assessments. Student skill attainment is measured by core standards and competencies needed to be successful in the workforce.

The Skill Certificate Program provides students, grades 9-12, with opportunities to receive instruction aligned with standards and objectives set by the state of Utah and by industry.

CTE CAREER PATHWAYS CONNECTION

The Skill Certificate Program supports the CTE Career Pathways. CTE Skill Certificate assessments are available in each of the 13 CTE Career Clusters.

WORK-BASED LEARNING

Work-Based Learning (WBL) supports the CTE Career Pathways initiative. WBL experiences are available in each Career Pathway. Through a variety of WBL experiences students see, firsthand, how classroom instruction connects to the world of work and future career opportunities.
Career and Technical Education (CTE) provides all students access to high-quality, rigorous career-focused programs that result in attainment of credentials with labor market value.