



# CTE DIRECTIONS

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

March 2022

**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.**

### CTE Month Highlights

The month of February was filled with schools, districts/charters, and CTSOs celebrating Career and Technical Education. Their accomplishments and achievements were celebrated, and their success stories were shared with communities, industry partners, and local boards. Here are a few highlights:

#### Alpine School District

**Cedar Valley High School** Instagram @cedarvalleyhigh: Students learned about CTE internships, participated in hands-on activities, and learned how to operate a robot during a lunchtime showcase.

**Lone Peak High School** Instagram @lphsknights: Students learned about CTE classes, CTE Career Pathways, and CTSOs during a teacher showcase.

**Polaris High School** Instagram @phs\_titans\_eat: Students planned, prepared, and served more than 500 cookies for the Polaris High School open house.

**Skyridge High School FFA** Instagram @skyridgeffa: FFA members participated in a service project fixing tractors from the annual Little Hands on the Farm exhibit at the Utah State Fair.

#### Canyons School District

**Canyons CTEC** Instagram @ctecnow: CNAs practiced first aid, welding students competed against JATC, and students made college and industry connections at the Pathways to Professions event.

**Jordan High School** Twitter @jordanhighwbl: Educators highlighted CTE student success stories throughout the month.

#### Nebo School District

**Maple Mountain High School** Instagram @mmhs\_cte | @mmhs\_welding: Students celebrated CTSOs and captured CTE moments in various CTE program areas.

#### Provo School District

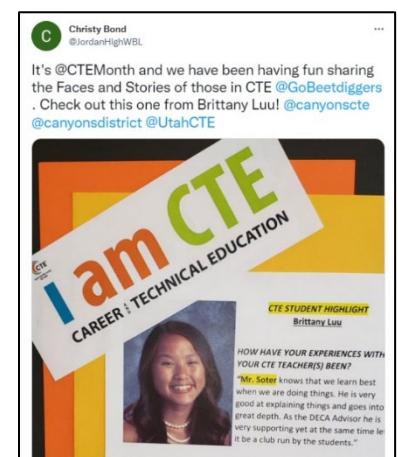
**Provo High School** Instagram @provocte: Students participated in the Provo Caps (Center for Advanced Professional Studies) Showcase to present the projects they completed for local businesses.

#### San Juan School District

Instagram @SjsdCTE: HOSA members presented to incoming freshmen during an 8th grade tour.

If you missed the @UtahCTE CTE Month social media posts check out [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#). There you will find student testimonials, photos, and highlights of CTE Month events and activities.

CTE Month may be over, however, advocating for Career and Technical Education continues. What was your favorite CTE moment? Share your CTE Month highlights and success stories on social media. Be sure to tag @UtahCTE or send your stories to [UtahCTE@schools.utah.gov](mailto:UtahCTE@schools.utah.gov).



## Utah CTE Credentials of Value

Have you seen the list of [CTE Credentials of Value](#)? Utah students have the opportunity to earn third-party certifications while in high school through participation in CTE. Third-party certifications are awarded through validation of skills in cooperation with a business, trade association, or other industry group. The Utah CTE 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. Students' knowledge and performance is demonstrated as part of the CTE Skill Certification process.

"I have received an EMR certification, a medical anatomy and physiology state skills certification, and a medical terminology state skills certification. All of these certifications will push me closer to my career goals in nursing," said Skye Bringhurst.

64,864\*

CTE Skill Certifications awarded

10,752\*

Third-party certifications earned

\*COVID-19 impacted certifications earned | 2020-2021

## Advice to Future Students

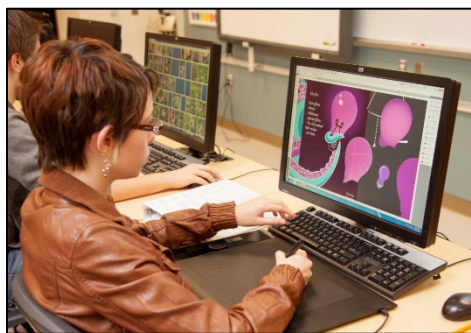
Utah high school seniors were asked, "What advice would you offer to future students about taking CTE courses during high school?"

"Try everything and participate in many of the different courses to find what best suits you. Discover what you like and find your passion. Once you do, take the opportunities found in other courses to expand that passion. Pursue the knowledge that you need to be successful in life. Be devoted and stick with it. This is the path that will help further you in your career," said Ivan Sheffer.



## Young Technology Scholar (YTS) Award

The annual Young Technology Scholar Award is sponsored by Micro Focus and the Utah State Board of Education (USBE). This award is granted to high school seniors who have demonstrated proficiency in computer/IT related courses and leadership abilities in their schools and communities.



Winners are selected by the YTS Scholarship Committee, which consists of representative from Micro Focus and USBE. Winners receive a scholarship award of up to \$5,000. Applications are due Friday, April 1 and must be postmarked no later than Thursday, March 31.

## 2022 Utah Legislative Session

The [2022 General Session](#) of the Utah Legislature ends Friday, March 4. You can review the education related bills by viewing the Utah State Board of Education [Bill Tracking](#) document.

## Calendar:

**March 3:** [Utah State Charter School Board](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

**March 10:** [Utah State Board of Education](#) 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.

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