



# 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.**

### I am CTE

Career and Technical Education is learning that works for Utah. Throughout Utah, CTE is preparing students with the academic and technical skills, knowledge and training necessary to succeed in future careers and to become lifelong learners. CTE prepares students for high-wage, high-skill, and in-demand careers in established and emerging industries. Through participation in CTE Career Pathways students learn real-world skills through work-based learning experiences, receive concurrent enrollment credit, and earn industry-recognized credentials of value.

CTE Month may be over, but the “I am CTE” campaign continues. Share with Utah CTE your “I am CTE” photos via @UtahCTE or via [UtahCTE@schools.utah.gov](mailto:UtahCTE@schools.utah.gov). What are you and your students saying about CTE?



Photo of HOSA state officers: We are saving lives because “Utah HOSA it’s in our DNA.”  
Check out the [Utah CTE Instagram](#) for other “I am CTE” photos.

### Lola Shipp: New USBE/CTE Education Specialist



Lola Shipp has joined the Career and Technical Education section at the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) as a new CTE Education Specialist. Lola has rich experiences in leadership, teacher development, and family consumer science programs. Her vision and enthusiasm for CTE will enhance the work we are doing here in Utah.

Lola will begin work at USBE on March 11. She will oversee six CTE Career Pathways within six of the 13 CTE Career Clusters. Those pathways are: (1) Food Science, Dietetics & Nutrition, (2) Interior Design, Fashion, Apparel & Textiles, (3) Pre-K Early Childhood Education, (4) Culinary Arts, and (5) Community, Family & Social Services.

“I am so excited to be working with the FCS teachers in Utah! I am a FCS teacher through and through. I took all the FCS classes available to me as a high schooler and was our FCCLA president. I then went on to major in Family Consumer Sciences at BYU-Idaho and student taught in Las Vegas. Before I was finished with my student teaching experience, I was offered a job in Las Vegas and never left. I have nine years of experience teaching high school students in Culinary Arts. I then got my Master’s in Curriculum and Instruction and became a Project Facilitator for the Career and Technical Education Department in the Clark County School District in Las Vegas, Nevada. In this position, I have had the opportunity to work with teachers in our district to be successful in their classrooms and in their careers overall. I am currently working on my Doctorate in Instructional Technology and Distance Education. I hope to bring my unique experience with both instruction, technology, and love for FCS to Utah to help enhance the great work [Utah CTE] is doing. I can’t wait to meet everyone and look forward to moving the Pathways [I oversee] forward to new horizons, says Lola.”

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## CTE Month Highlight

### Grand County School District

KZMU—Moab Public Radio—interviewed CTE professionals about the benefits of Career and Technical Education in Grand County School District. They shared how CTE creates jobs, supports the local economy, and matches student interest with viable careers. You can listen to a recording of the interview at <https://bit.ly/2GBNdRr>.

## Student Highlight

Lily Greenwood is a student at Roy High School and is an FCCLA state officer. Here is her story.



“The CTE department at Roy High School has provided me with multiple opportunities. From flowers to the home I have knowledge about many topics. Throughout my time at Roy I have learned more about what I want to do in my future career. The teachers and CTE directors are so wonderful to talk to and work with. Whenever I have a problem with my concurrent enrollment classes they are there to help. They provide me with many opportunities and are so supportive. Each teacher gives me hope that I will be able to accomplish [my goals].

“The FACS department and the biology teachers have been so amazing and thoughtful. They have helped me discover what I want to do. CTE provides countless opportunities and knowledge. I want to go into interior design. CTE teachers have provided me with schools to apply to and a wonderful internship. They catered to my needs and it has been beyond amazing on everything they do.”

### [What is your CTE story?](#)

## U.S. Presidential Scholars

Congratulations to the 90 Utah high school seniors, five in Career and Technical Education, who have been selected as the 2019 candidates in the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program. The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program recognizes and honors some of the nation’s most distinguished graduating high school seniors for their academic achievements, talent in visual, creative, and performing arts, and accomplishments in career and technical education.

The Utah Career and Technical Education [2019 U.S. Presidential Scholars Candidates](#) are:

- Delaney Bigler, Westlake High School
- Hayden Boren, Uintah High School
- Aubrey Brempong, Copper Hills High School
- Tia Ivers, Ben Lomond High School
- Jonathan Robison, Olympus High School

U.S. Presidential Scholars semifinalists will be announced in mid-April and the U.S. Presidential Scholars will be announced in May.



Photo courtesy of U.S. Department of Education — 2018 U.S. Presidential Scholars

## Utah Legislature

The 2019 general session of the Utah Legislature continues through Thursday, March 14. You can keep up-to-date on all of education-related bills by viewing the [public tracking sheet](#).

## Calendar:

**March 6:** ProStart® State Competition – Salt Lake City, UT

**March 7:** [Utah State Board of Education](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

**March 14:** [Utah State Charter School Board](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

Check out the [Utah CTE Calendar](#) for CTSO conferences and other events taking place throughout the month.

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