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.

2019 Utah Excellence in Action

Utah Career and Technical Education (CTE) is pleased to announce Ogden High School Health Science Pathways program as the winner of the 2019 Utah Excellence in Action award. The Ogden High School Health Science Pathways program was selected based on their uniquely inventive and effective approaches to stimulating student learning, offering extensive work-based learning experiences, maintaining strong partnerships with higher education institutions, industry and community organizations, while preparing students for postsecondary education and career success.

Ogden High School Health Science teachers, Natalie Day, Kristie Williamson, and Meghan Mickelson integrate technology in the classroom in many practical ways that create engaging learning through authentic experiences. Students leverage digital tools and work-based learning to expand the walls of the classroom.

Ogden High School, in collaboration with industry partners, higher education, and secondary education, has created a career pipeline for high school students by offering a program that meets industry needs. Students involved in the Health Science Pathways program take courses at their high school that align with the requirements found in industry. The program combines coursework with work-based learning experiences to support student exploration and skill development. Students leave the program having earned an industry-recognized credential of value.

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Student Highlight

“Ms. Day was able to mentor me during a medical internship at Mountain View Health Sciences. This internship exposed me to various healthcare workers and it gave me hands-on experience in the field I was interested in. Taking health science classes in high school helped me determine if a career in the medical field was something I wanted to do. In some cases, the courses were both high school and college credit. Due to that opportunity, I was able to enter Weber State University as a sophomore. Because of this, I have the possibility of being able to graduate with my Associates in Respiratory Therapy this spring,” said Jacky Perez, Ogden High School, Class of 2019.
Career and Technical Student Organizations

Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) were established with the commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of young people. CTSOs are key components to strong CTE programs. They integrate into CTE programs and courses and extend teaching and learning through innovative programs, business and community partnerships and leadership experiences at the school, state, and national levels.

FACT: Students who participate in CTSOs demonstrate higher levels of academic engagement and motivation, civic engagement, career self-efficacy and employability skills than other students.

FACT: Students who participate in school organizations in 10th grade have higher grade point averages and are more likely to be enrolled in college at 21 than other students.

FACT: In Utah there are 23,187 student members in eight CTSOs.

CTSO Fall Leadership Conferences

This month, four Career and Technical Education Organizations (CTSOs) will have their Fall Leadership Conference. Student members from across the state will attend each conference to participate in interactive workshops, learn about their CTSO, meet fellow student leaders from across the state, set goals for the school year, and enhance their leadership skills.

October 2: FCCLA – Utah Valley Convention Center
October 8: SkillsUSA – Utah Valley University Student Center
October 12: TSA – Timpview High School | October 30-November 2: FFA – Indianapolis

There are eight Career and Technical Organizations in Utah.

DECA | Educators Rising | FBLA | FCCLA | FFA | HOSA | SkillsUSA | TSA

CTSO Student Highlight

“Last year, I had the amazing opportunity to be a part of the Web Development program at the Jordan Academy for Technology and Careers. We spent half of the year developing our skills in basic programming and digital arts programs and the other half developing our communication skills and teamwork skills through competing in various competitions, studying media marketing through a marketing simulation, and participating in a variety of internships and volunteer opportunities. Because of this training I was able to focus my path of study in computer science and fine tune my professional skills,” said Tea Flores, SkillsUSA Utah state officer. (Photo: Tea is standing in the front row)

Perkins V Public Hearings

Tuesday, October 8 is the last of six Perkins V Public Hearings. The public hearing will be held in Washington School District in the Woodward Building, Room 101 (75 West Tabernacle) in St. George, UT. At the previous five Perkins V Public Hearings, Utah CTE has received input on the alignment to industry needs and increasing student access to high-quality education to help drive the implementation of CTE opportunities for students in Utah.

You can learn more about Perkins V at https://www.schools.utah.gov/cte/perkinsv, including:

Perkins V Data | Perkins V Major Tenets | Perkins V Stakeholder Feedback

Calendar:

October 3: Utah State Board of Education Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT
October 10: Utah State Charter School Board Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT
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