



CTE DIRECTIONS

November 2021

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.

LIVE: Utah CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards Application

The online application to apply for a Utah CTE Scholarship and Tuition Award is live at <https://bit.ly/3avUeRq>. **Applications are due Friday, January 28, 2022.** The number of scholarships and awards offered, and the award amount, varies by institution. Recipients will be notified in March.

The CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards are for outstanding CTE students in Utah. The scholarships and awards are sponsored by the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) with funds provided by participating higher education institutions.



CTSO Highlight: Utah HOSA — Isaac Angulo



Isaac Angulo, Utah HOSA member and 2021 CTE Scholarship and Tuition Award recipient, completed the Health Science Pathway while in high school. He plans to become a physician and attributes his success to HOSA and CTE.

“I have enjoyed learning about health and medicine because it is a good way to help those who are sick and afflicted. When I walked into [Utah HOSA] I didn’t recognize anyone I knew, but our group got bigger with time, and we developed a unique bond. When it came time for organizing field trips, activities, or projects we truly worked as a team. I learned what teamwork meant. I learned from HOSA how a group of people, who all have the same interest in something despite differences, can achieve our goals and get things done.

“There is no doubt in my mind that the Career and Technical Education courses I participated in have and will continue to help me succeed in my life.”

Utah CTSO Publications

Career and Technical Student Organizations were established with the commitment to making a positive difference in the lives of young people. In addition to offering a wide variety of specific career and technical training, CTE integrates student leadership elements, which complements student participation in these courses and programs.

You can learn about each Utah CTSO on UtahCTE.org at <https://bit.ly/3mRhsXP>. There you will find a flyer highlighting:

[DECA](#) | [Educators Rising](#) | [FBLA](#) | [FCCLA](#) | [FFA](#) | [HOSA](#) | [SkillsUSA](#) | [TSA](#)



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?” Throughout the year, their responses will be shared in this newsletter.

Ashley Rodriguez Canchola, a graduate of Kearns High School, offers this advice to students about taking CTE courses during high school. “My advice for a future CTE student is that it’s okay if you don’t know anything about the subject or if you feel like that’s not the career path you want to take. CTE classes are a way to help students find passion in careers at a young age. It helps prepare them for a future career as well as college. My main advice for students is to start early. You can achieve a lot when you start your freshman year. Not only that, a lot of the CTE teachers can help you plan your future right after high school. You meet a lot of people who have the same goals as you and you feel like you’re not alone in this journey. Everyone starts taking CTE classes at different times so don’t feel like you’re late because you’re never too late!”



Emma Miller Thanks Her High School Teacher

Emma Miller, a graduate of American Fork High School, thanks her teacher Ms. Carli Fish who influenced her career decision to become a teacher.



“Ms. Carli Fish had a significant influence on my career choice. I first took her child development class my sophomore year. Right away it became my favorite class. A big part of that was because of Ms. Fish. She is amazing. She worked hard teaching multiple courses, running a preschool, being in charge of two school clubs, and making it all look completely effortless. She is by far the best teacher I have ever had. She has high expectations and challenges her students, somehow without ever asking too much of them. Her classes have never left me feeling overwhelmed, yet I always left her classes feeling I was productive and learned a lot. She used many different styles of teaching to cater to the different learning styles of her students. She is inspiring and an amazing role model. Ms. Fish is passionate about children and teaching and has shared that with me, as well as opening my eyes to resources and opportunities outside of school to progress in my skills and work towards my future career. She helped me grow towards reaching my potential and being the best I can be. She made me want to be my best. So many times, I looked at her and thought ‘I want to be as good of a teacher as her someday.’ I will forever be grateful for her impact on me.”

Save the Date: February 2022 is CTE Month

CTE students across Utah will celebrate Career and Technical Education during the month of February. The month will showcase career and technical education in Utah's junior highs and high schools. The goal is to feature the opportunities students have to explore a variety of career areas that will equip him/her with the academic knowledge and technical skills vital for entry into the evolving workforce of the 21st century.

Plan now to join the celebration. Resources are available on UtahCTE.org to assist you in your planning to promote Career and Technical Education in your school and classroom <https://bit.ly/3ACqsoL>.

How are you going to celebrate? Share your CTE Month plans with Utah CTE via social media (@UtahCTE) or email (utahcte@schools.utah.gov).

Calendar:

November 4: [Utah State Board of Education Meeting](#) – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

November 10: [Utah State Charter School Board 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.