



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.

2020 Utah CTE Excellence in Action

Utah CTE is pleased to announce the Alpine School District Broadcasting and Digital Pathway program as the winner of the 2020 Utah CTE Excellence in Action award. The Alpine School District Broadcasting and Digital Pathway 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.

In the Alpine School District, students take a sequence of courses in the Broadcasting and Digital Media Pathway, including earning concurrent enrollment credit and participating in



work-based learning experiences, that lead to a successful transition to postsecondary training, education, and a career. Many students graduate from high school having accepted a job offer from industry.

Students, in the program, have received numerous awards for their excellence in broadcasting and digital media from participation in Career and Technical Student Organizations state and national competitions, the Broadcast Awards, and the Utah High School Film Festival.



Student Highlight

Fernanda Caceres is passionate about DECA. Because of the opportunities she has had in DECA and CTE, she looks forward to pursuing a career in business.

“CTE has taught me a lot in the past few years and I’m very thankful for that. Because of CTE I’ve gotten to be a part of DECA, where I’ve met some of my greatest friends. CTE helped me realize that I want to continue pursuing business as my career path. DECA has brought me job and travel opportunities, but most importantly, DECA has taught me great lessons beyond academic ones. I love CTE!”



Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO)

Are you a member of a Career and Technical Student Organization? CTSO programs, such as industry-based competitive events and community service, provide students with the opportunity to develop 21st century skills focused on creativity, problem solving, teamwork, and goal setting. In this video _____ CTSO members tell how being a member of a CTSO changed their life.

Members learned how to:

1. Present in front of others.
2. Be a responsible and generous person.
3. Work hard.
4. Use differences to be successful.
5. Develop leadership and workplace skills.
6. Provide service to others.



Students who are interested in joining a CTSO should contact the CTSO advisor in their school.

Utah CTSOs = [DECA](#), [Educators Rising](#), [FBLA](#), [FCCLA](#), [FFA](#), [HOSA](#), [SkillsUSA](#), and [TSA](#)

FFA: Preparing Members for Leadership and Career Success



On October 27-29, FFA members throughout the U.S., Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands will gather (virtually) for the 93rd National FFA Convention & Expo. This is one of the largest student conventions in the world. This year's convention will focus on growing the next generation of leaders. FFA encourages members to find out who they are, who they want to become, and how they can change how the world grows.

Eighty-three Utah FFA members, who are recipients of the 2020 American FFA Degree, will be recognized for their achievements. This is the highest degree achievable in the National FFA Organization. The American FFA Degree shows an FFA member's dedication to his or her chapter and state FFA association. View the list of Utah recipients at <https://bit.ly/2G6U5rF>.

Gracie Wilkinson, the 2019-2020 Utah FFA president, is a national officer candidate. Each year, the National FFA Organization selects six student members to represent FFA. Officers are selected by a nominating committee at the National FFA Convention & Expo. Read Gracie's bio at <https://bit.ly/2HEs5fS>. Utah CTE wishes Gracie all the best at the convention.



Calendar:

Utah CTSO Fall Leadership Conferences: [HOSA](#) October 6 | [FBLA](#) October 7 | [TSA](#) October 10

October 1: [Utah State Board of Education](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

October 8: [Utah State Charter School Board](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

October 27-29: [National FFA Convention & Expo](#) – Virtual Event

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Utah CTE classes are open to all qualified students without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age.