

CLASSROOM

CTE: Education Elevated

During February, how will you celebrate CTE Month in your CLASSROOM?

As part of your staff and student recognition program, this event can add spirit to your classroom and strengthen morale.

Goals of CTE Month:

- Inform students about the importance of choosing a <u>CTE Career Pathway</u>.
- Increase student awareness of careers, education, and training.
- Strengthen student engagement through the <u>Plan for College and Career Readiness</u>.
- Increase parent/guardian involvement and awareness of CTE programs.
- Promote discussion of postsecondary options—training, certificates, and degrees.

What Can You Do to Promote CTE Month in Your CLASSROOM?

Consider doing the following activities part of your celebration:

- Advocate for CTE, and your program, by sharing success stories of <u>CTE teachers</u> and <u>students</u> with <u>Utah CTE</u>, your principal, school board, local community, and legislative representatives.
 - Arrange to make presentations (in-person or virtual) at school and student organizations on the value of partnerships with CTE.
 - o Contact the media about highlighting the events taking place in your classroom.
 - Distribute copies of public relations materials to your students and their parents/guardians.
 - Host an open house (in-person or virtual) in your classroom highlighting CTE.
- Have your classroom volunteer to create banners and posters featuring CTE Month activities and decorate your school.
- Hold an essay contest on the topic of career preparation.
- Create a video highlighting the CTE programs in your school.
 - Consider making a video profiling successful alumnus and where they work.
- Award a Certificate of Participation to each student who participates in CTE Month.
- Social Media:
 - o Post highlights of the CTE Month events in your classroom on social media.
 - o Write a blog highlighting your CTE programs and post it on your school website.

CTE Month materials and resources available at https://www.schools.utah.gov/cte/publications/month.

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