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.

Happy New Year!
What are your goals and plans for 2023? Choose to learn something new every day and become a lifelong learner.

Educators: Plan to increase your knowledge and skills by participating in a webinar, conference, event, or professional development, such as:

ACTE — If you are a member of the Associate for Career and Technical Education you have access to CTELearn. CTELearn is a virtual professional development and resource center for CTE professionals https://www.ctelearn.org/.

CTE Month — Celebrate Career and Technical Education during the month of February. As you advocate for CTE, share your CTE success story with @UtahCTE on social media using #UtahCTE. Resources at https://bit.ly/3YzSrmd.

CTE Summer Conference — Plan now to participate in one or more of the many high-quality professional development CTE Summer Conferences. This is the premier opportunity to hear about the latest industry and education trends. Educators will receive hands-on training, learn important teaching techniques, and acquire knowledge about CTE initiatives that support high-quality instruction. Register at https://bit.ly/3q4T9Y1.

Students: Plan to participate in a CTE internship or a work-based learning experience. If you’re not a member of a Career and Technical Student Organization consider joining one today.

CTE Internship — Talk to your school counselor or CTE teacher about participating in an internship to further develop your skills in the career you’re pursuing.

CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards — Seniors, apply for a CTE Scholarship and Tuition Award to a Utah postsecondary institution. Watch this video to learn tips and tricks on how to fill out the online application https://bit.ly/3j8UM7y. Applications are due January 27, 2023, via Adobe Sign.

CTSO — Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) offer a wide variety of specific career and technical training. If you’re not a member of one of the eight Utah CTSOs, plan to become a member today.
Bailey Blackham: CNA and Future Registered Nurse

“I have always wanted to be a nurse and have a career in the medical field. After arriving at Viewmont High School and hearing about their CTE Pathway program, I knew it was something I wanted to do. Because there was a program specifically designed for students who are interested in a future in healthcare, I was able to take classes that would benefit me. Most memorably, I’ve been able to take a certified nursing assistant (CNA) course that has allowed me to get a job as a CNA, while still in high school. I have also been able to take the emergency medical technician (EMT) class at Davis Technical College, which continues to prepare me and give me hands-on learning opportunities—both in class and in real life,” said Bailey.

Greg Thompson: Future Computer Scientist

“CTE courses have provided a strong foundation for what awaits me in the future and were one of the deciding factors in my career choice. These classes taught a great deal of skills, techniques, and applications. CTE taught important life lessons such as the fact that hard work helps move you closer towards your personal goals. The CTE classes I have taken have provided me with a deeper knowledge of how computers function and how to program them in different ways. I have been able to get a taste of what work is like due to [participation] in CTE Pathways,” said Greg.

Lillian Moore-Maskell: Advice to Future Students

“My advice would be to take as many CTE courses as are available during high school. I opted to only take dental assisting, and I genuinely wish I would have taken more. CTE courses are an amazing way to gain new skills and knowledge. The teachers are always willing to assist you and CTE courses are set in a very supportive environment. It is a great way to work with peers and develop skills such as communication, dedication, and collaboration,” said Lillian.

2023 Utah Legislative Session


CTE Month 2023

CTE Month begins in February. The theme for the month is Get on a Pathway to Your Career. Plan now to celebrate and advocate for Career and Technical Education. Resources are available on UtahCTE.org at https://www.schools.utah.gov/cte/publications/month.

Calendar:

January 10-11: Utah State Charter School Board Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT
January 12: Utah State Board of Education Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT
January 27: CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards applications due.
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