



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.

2021 Utah Excellence in Action

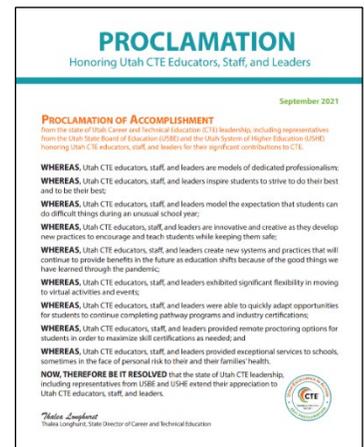
Proclamation of Accomplishment:

Honoring Utah CTE Educators, Staff, and Leaders

Utah Career and Technical Education (CTE) leadership, including representatives from the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) and the Utah System of Higher Education (USHE) honors Utah CTE educators, staff, and leaders for their significant contributions to CTE.

The Proclamation of Accomplishment was presented at the 2021 Utah Excellence in Action Celebration.

Download your copy of the Proclamation from the home page of UtahCTE.org.



CTSO Highlight: Utah FFA

Last month, the Little Hands on the Farm exhibit returned to the Utah State Fair. This interactive exhibit was organized and operated by Utah FFA. Each day, during the ten-day event, Utah FFA chapters provided members to run this award-winning exhibit. This interactive experience, for children ages 2 to 10, allowed children to learn where food comes from and the process it takes to get it from the farm to the grocery store. Children planted seeds, harvested crops, milked a cow (a friendly fiberglass cow), gathered eggs, and then sold their goods at market.



Photo courtesy of Utah FFA

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.

Bradley Palmer offers this advice to students about taking CTE courses during high school. “Start now. Get a step ahead in your college and career goals while earning high school credit. Taking CTE courses helps you know if there is an area of study you would be interested in as a career. I feel so much farther along knowing my career path now than kids who still have no idea. I would recommend taking as many CTE courses as possible, as they go toward college credit as well as high school credit and can save you a lot of money in the long run. CTE is a guided path that helps sift

through what could be a challenging time for students and clarifies their educational path.”

Rebekah Miller Thanks Her High School Teacher

Rebekah Miller, a graduate of Pleasant Grove High School, recently sent an email to her teacher—Kristen Everett—thanking her for helping her find her dream job. In Rebekah’s own words:

“Hey, I don’t know if you remember me, I was a student in your EMR class back in 2016 at PGHS [Pleasant Grove High School]. I just wanted to thank you for being so passionate about EMS and really opening my eyes and helping me find my dream job. After graduating from PGHS I got my EMT and my CNA and I now work in an ER as a critical care technician where I get to help with all of the procedures, start a million IVs and do hours of compressions. If it wasn’t for your class, I don’t think I would have had the confidence to pursue such a stressful field and now even after three years in the ER I still absolutely love it. I am about to apply to take the MCAT and hopefully head off to medical school and I owe a lot of that success to you! Thank you again for helping me so much, I still keep the EMS bag we made in class in the back of my car, and it gets a lot of use.”



What Is Your CTE Story

Share your CTE success story with Utah CTE. What did you learn and do in CTE that had an impact on your life and on your career decision? Was there a teacher who inspired you to select your chosen career? Complete the online fillable form and share your story with current and future students <https://bit.ly/2XPkpPK>.

Calendar:

Utah CTSO Fall Leadership Conferences:

[HOSA](#) October 5 | [Educators Rising](#) October 6 | [FBLA](#) October 6 | [TSA](#) October 9 | [SkillsUSA](#) October 12

October 7: [Utah State Board of Education](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

October 14: [Utah State Charter School Board](#) Meeting – 250 East 500 South – Salt Lake City, UT

October 27-30: [National FFA Convention & Expo](#) –

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

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