

NEVADA CTE FACTS

Why is Career and Technical Education important?

- Career and Technical Education is the most powerful program available to high school students that provides a combination of personal, academic, and career development skills.
- Career and Technical Education supports core academic attainment through practical application.
- Career and Technical Education creates valuable citizens who have work-ready skills that build our nation's economy.
- Career and Technical Education provides employable skills for students while they pursue further education at the post-secondary level.
- Career and Technical Education student organizations make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success.
- There are diverse, challenging and rewarding career opportunities in Career and Technical Education. A student can be whatever he or she wants to be, because all career areas are represented.....marketing, communications, engineering, horticulture, management, and more.

Nevada Career and Technical Education Data

- Nevada's Career and Technical Education students' **graduation rate** for 2004 was 89.09 percent, which was higher than the overall graduation rate of 81.09 percent for all Nevada students.
- In 2006, 69.2 percent of 11th grade CTE students passed all areas of the Nevada High School **Proficiency Exam** as compared to 62.4 percent for Non-CTE students, and 65.6 percent for all 11th grade students.
- In the 2004-2005 school year, the **dropout rate** for Nevada's secondary students enrolled in Career and Technical Education programs was 1.6 percent, which was considerably lower than the overall high school dropout rate of 5.7 percent.
- Junior and seniors successfully completing **Tech Prep** CTE courses can earn up to 15 college credits while enrolled in high school. Nearly 53 percent of CTE students (including some freshmen and sophomores) in the fall 2005 were enrolled in Tech Prep programs. In 2005-2006, Nevada received \$709,231 in federal funds for Tech Prep. That year, 7,257 students were enrolled in Tech Prep programs and earned college credit – saving \$5.3 in potential equivalent tuition and fees for students and parents in Nevada.