



# **Career Technical Education Update**

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# What is Career Technical Education?

*A program of study that involves a multiyear sequence of courses that integrates core academic knowledge with technical and occupational knowledge to provide students with a pathway to post-secondary education and careers.*



# 11 Elements of a High Quality CTE Program



1. Leadership at all levels
2. High-quality curriculum and instruction
3. Career exploration and guidance
4. Student support and student leadership development
5. Industry partnerships
6. System alignment and coherence
7. Regional and local labor market demand
8. Industry certification/employment
9. Skilled faculty and professional development
10. Evaluation, accountability, and continuous improvement
11. CTE promotion, outreach, marketing, and communication

# District CTE Advisory Committee

- The committee's purpose is to strengthen the Career Technical Education programs it serves.
- During the 2016-2017 school year, the committee identified the goal of developing a Career Preparation Certificate for CTE programs.





# Career Preparation Certificate

- CTE program completion.
- Maintain a 3.0 grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale) in the CTE program courses.
- Pass an approved Industry Technical Skills Assessment and/or earn an approved Industry Recognized Credential or Certificate.
- Maintain at least a 95 percent attendance record (average) for grades 9-12.
- Demonstrate the following soft skills:
  - Strong Work Ethic
  - Good communication
  - Utilize critical thinking in decision making
  - Ability to work productively in teams



# Post-secondary Partnerships

- Sonoma State University:
  - Piner High School STEM Certificate
- Santa Rosa Junior College:
  - Articulation Agreements
  - Exploring Dual Enrollment Opportunities



# Next Steps

- Develop Site CTE Plans and Five Year CTE Program Plans
- Implement CTE Program Advisory Committees
- Continue to seek a-g approval for CTE courses



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- Expand Career Technical Student Organizations
- Support Integrated Curriculum Development
- Explore transitioning Visual and Performing Arts programs to CTE Programs
- Increase CTE Outreach and Marketing

