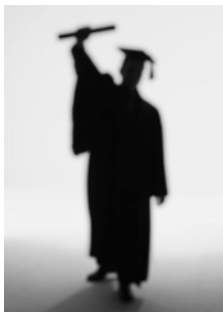


## Our Mission

The Career and Technology Education (CTE) Business Advisory Board fosters a partnership between businesses and Denver Public Schools by **elevating awareness, impacting policy, and supporting programming** to provide students the opportunity to learn workplace skills and explore careers.

## Our Values

- Students deserve an education that provides them with a full range of opportunities.
- Businesses deserve the best possible employees/workforce.
- Communities deserve contributing, engaged students.
- Schools deserve support and guidance from the business community.



## Next Steps

Between 1994 and 2005, CTE high school staff has been reduced by 29% in Denver Public Schools. Despite the demand for CTE programs, the emphasis on core academic subjects and budget cuts have dramatically impacted staffing allocations and courses. The CTE Business Advisory Board is dedicated to revitalizing programs throughout Denver Public Schools.

**The CTE Business Advisory Board is dedicated to revitalizing programs at all schools. In order to accomplish this, Denver Public Schools and the community can commit to the following:**

- **Recognizing the importance of CTE as a vital component in student learning**
- **Increasing staff and state-of-the-art resources**
- **Including CTE in core district philosophy**
- **Actively integrating CTE components in students' academic and career plans**

*Career and Technology Education:*

*Good for students,  
good for schools,  
good for employers.*

For more information please call 720-423-4706 or visit [cte.dpsk12.org](http://cte.dpsk12.org).

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# Business Advisory Board

*Partnering to educate  
the next generation of  
Denver's workforce*

CAREER AND

TECHNOLOGY

EDUCATION



# Meeting Student Needs.

## ***In Schools...***

- CTE serves over 13,000 students annually at 27 middle and K-8 schools, 10 comprehensive high schools, and 3 alternative high schools — **that's 69% of all students in middle schools and high schools.**
- CTE programs are available to all secondary students, including those with special needs.
- CTE assisted 13,194 DPS students prepare electronic Individual Career and Education Plans in the 2004-2005 school year.
- During the 2002-2003 school year, the average GPA of CTE students was 3.69 and their attendance rate was 92.18%, significantly higher rates than non-CTE students.

## ***And after graduation...***

- 21% of 2002 DPS graduating students completed CTE programs their senior year. A survey conducted nine months after graduation found that 83% had continued their education at post-secondary institutions and/or had found employment related to their training.
- This trend of success continued for the 24% of seniors completing CTE programs who graduated in 2003. 68% were continuing their education at a post-secondary education institution, and 11% found employment related to their training within nine months after graduation.

# Meeting District Needs.

***CTE Education provides students with many opportunities to develop rigor, relevance, and relationships as part of their everyday learning experiences.***

## **RIGOR**

### ***High expectations & challenging learning***

- Opportunities for students to earn community college credit
- National industry-based skill standards
- Integrated, multi-disciplinary courses

## **RELEVANCE**

### ***Real-world experiences & expectations***

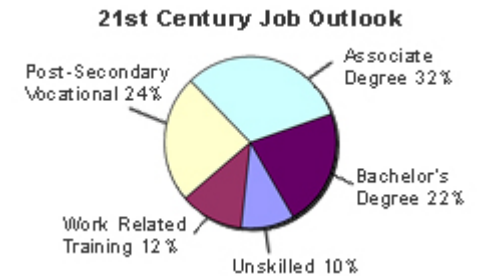
- Life skills training through internships, job shadows, and community service
- Workforce training
- Improved student achievement

## **RELATIONSHIPS**

### ***Respectful & caring learning environments***

- Business community involvement
- Opportunities for student-to-student networking through CTE activities
- Meaningful student involvement in local businesses

# Meeting Employer Needs.



*What type of education will students need to get a job in the 21st century?*

## **Denver Public Schools CTE Programs**

Architectural Technology  
Athletic Training/Sports Medicine  
Audio Engineering  
Auto Body Repair & Painting  
Automotive Technology  
Business Education  
Business Management  
Commercial Art/Computer Graphics  
Commercial Photography  
Computer Magnet  
Construction Technology  
Construction Trades  
Culinary Arts  
Digital Film Production  
Drafting Technology  
Early Childhood Education  
Executive Internship  
Family and Consumer Science  
Fashion Design/Clothing Careers  
Fire Science  
Fitness Trainer  
Industrial Technology  
Marketing Education  
Med Prep  
Police Science/Criminal Justice  
Project Lead The Way  
ProStart  
Teacher Cadet  
Welding  
Alternative Cooperative Education (ACE)