Putting Learner Success First:
A Shared Vision for the Future of CTE
Advance CTE: State Leaders Connecting Learning to Work

• The longest-standing CTE-focused national non-profit representing State CTE Directors and state leaders responsible for secondary, postsecondary and adult CTE across 50 states and US territories.
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• **Vision** – to support an innovative CTE system that prepares individuals to succeed in education and their careers and poises the US to flourish in a global, dynamic economy through leadership, advocacy and partnerships.

• **Mission** – to support visionary state leadership, cultivate best practices and speak with a collective voice on national policy to promote academic and technical excellence that ensures a career-ready workforce.

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The Shared Vision

• Focuses on supporting ALL learners over the course of their career journeys

• Aims to transform all education – with CTE as a driver of this transformation

• Demands full commitment from all stakeholders
All CTE Programs Are Held to the Highest Standards of Excellence
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To accomplish this, we will:

✓ Develop and implement rigorous review and approval processes and policies to ensure only high-quality programs of study exist

✓ Align funding to high-quality programs of study

✓ Develop and implement sustainable processes for employers to inform, validate and participate in the implementation of programs of study
All Learners Are Empowered to Choose a Meaningful Education and Career
ALL LEARNERS ARE EMPOWERED TO CHOOSE A MEANINGFUL EDUCATION AND CAREER

To accomplish this, we will:

✓ Develop and implement a career advisement system that allows all learners to be successful in a career pathway of interest

✓ Provide all learners with authentic, real-world experiences linked to a career interest of their choice
All Learning is Personalized and Flexible
To accomplish this, we will:

- Identify, build and scale policies and models that fully integrate academic and technical expectations and experiences
- Identify, build and scale models of K-12 and postsecondary competency-based systems
- Fully align secondary and postsecondary programs of study to ensure seamless transitions
All Learning Is Facilitated by Knowledgeable Experts
ALL LEARNING IS FACILITATED BY KNOWLEDGEABLE EXPERTS

To accomplish this, we will:

✓ Modernize K-12 certification programs to ensure all learners have access to educators who are able to facilitate learning that prepares them for both college and careers.

✓ Prioritize professional learning opportunities that focus on retention of quality instructors, contextualized teaching and learning, and learner engagement.

✓ Build and support a pool of experts that instructors may draw upon to supplement learning.
All Systems Work Together to Put Learner Success First
ALL SYSTEMS WORK TOGETHER TO PUT LEARNER SUCCESS FIRST

To accomplish this, we will:

✓ Establish a common statewide vision and commitment to providing all learners with meaningful career pathways

✓ Coordinate federal and state policies, programs and funding to maximize investments and reduce inefficiencies

✓ Develop and support sustainable partnerships and intermediaries to accelerate learner success

✓ Build indicators of career readiness – for all learners – into federal and state accountability systems
Call to Action

• Making this vision a reality requires an *unwavering, steadfast commitment* from all sectors and stakeholders.

• We must *hold ourselves accountable* to do the work even when funding gets tight, political winds shift, or questions arise of whether we really need to set the bar so high.

• We must *join together* to demand change where and when it is needed, to support reform that is already underway and to applaud those who have made it.

• It is only through a *shared commitment to action* that this new vision will become a reality for learners across the nation.