

Career education programs are preparing students for the future.

Missouri career education is preparing young people and adults for the job market and/or further education. It combines academics and job-specific skill training to assist in narrowing the skills gap.

CTE programs are offered in

- Agriculture
- Business
- Health Sciences
- Family Consumer Sciences and Human Services
- Marketing
- Skilled Technical Sciences
- Technology and Engineering

Missouri's delivery system consists of

- 57 area career centers
- 444 comprehensive high schools
- State Technical College of Missouri
- 12 community college districts
- Seven four-year institutions
- Two state agencies - Department of Corrections and Department of Social Services



- Of all high school students in Missouri, 65 percent took at least one career education course or program.
- In Missouri, 8,767 high school students received an industry-recognized certificate or credential.
- A recent follow-up of 2017 secondary graduates of career education programs show that 95 percent are employed, continuing education or serving in the military, and 66.1 percent are in the area related to their career education program of study.
- For postsecondary graduates, 96.7 percent are employed, continuing education or serving in the military, and 80.4 percent are in the area related to their career education program of study.

CTSO Membership

2017-18 school year

Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs) are integrated into CTE programs and courses. They extend teaching and learning through innovative programs, business and community partnerships, and leadership experiences at local, state, and national levels. Overall membership in Missouri CTOS is at an all-time high.

Collegiate DECA	204
DECA	7,458
FBLA	14,835
FCCLA	9,670
FFA	25,178
HOSA	3,725
PBL	285
SkillsUSA	11,530
TSA	6,179
Young Farmers/ Wives	506
PAS	294

Total Participation

Secondary	180,600
Postsecondary	60,950
Adult (full time)	1,848

Secondary Participation

Female	88,309
Male	92,291

Postsecondary Participation

Female	34,763
Male	26,187

Adult Participation

Female	1,410
Male	438