# Career and Technical (CTE) Education in Vermont

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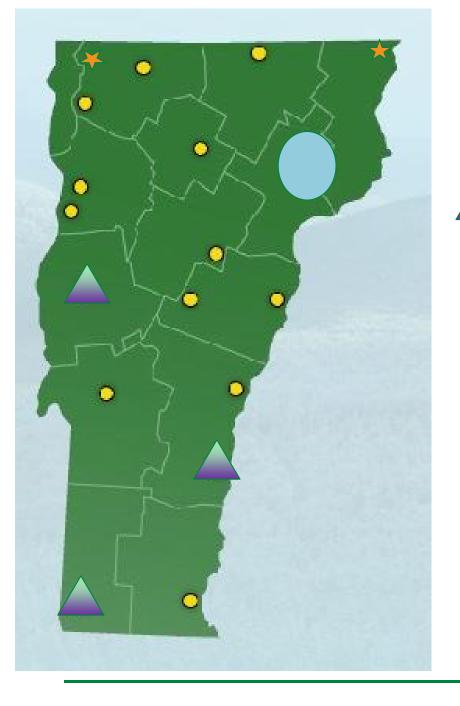
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#### What is CTE?

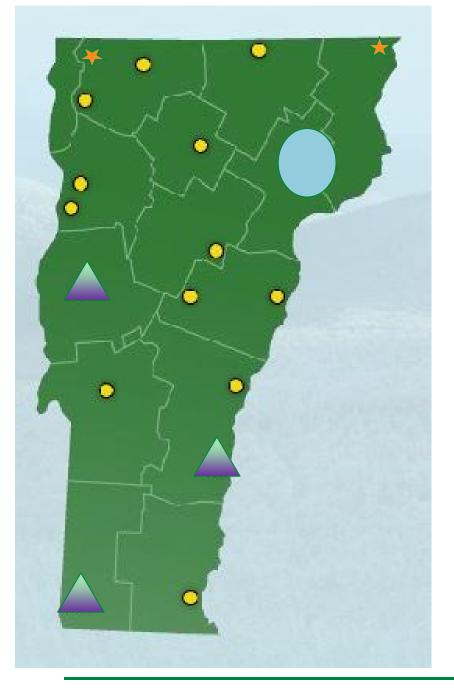
- Set of courses and experiences that help students gain the skills, technical knowledge, academic foundation and real-world experience for highskill, high-demand, high-wage careers
- Key resource for personalized, contextualized learning
- College and career readiness
  - Graduation requirements
  - Transferable skills



#### Where is CTE?

- Independent Technical Center Districts
- → Satellite location/comprehensive high school
- Independent Schools hosting technical education programs
- Full or part-time regional career centers



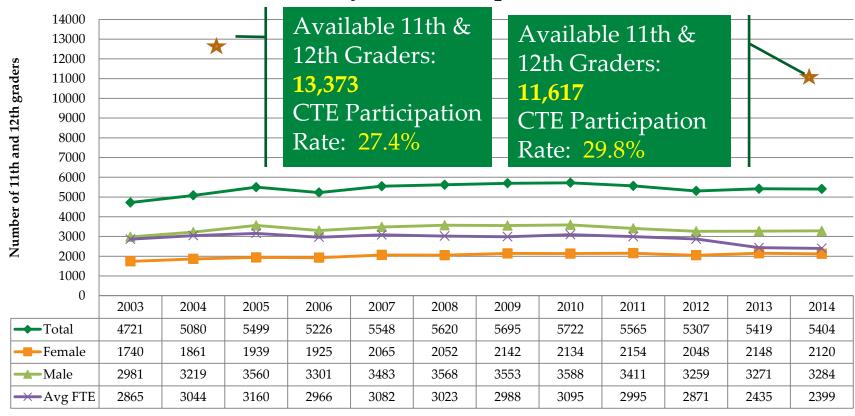


#### How many students?

- For the 2014-2015 school year:
  - 5,404 Vermont high school students in grades 11 & 12



#### State of Vermont 10 Year Secondary CTE Participation Rate Trend





#### **Outcomes**

<u>Graduation Rate</u>: 99% of CTE students who "concentrated" [completed at least half of the required sequence of instruction] their studies in technical education graduated from high school.

<u>Industry Recognized Credentials</u>: 67% of concentrators left with an industry recognized credential, such as an LNA (Licensed Nurse Assistant), Game of Logging, or Cisco Networking Certification.

<u>Dual Enrollment</u>: 10.78% of CTE students received at least one transcripted course through dual enrollment (2014-15).

<u>College Enrollment</u>: 41% of Vermont students who had participated in CTE were enrolled in post-secondary education.



**Career Clusters & Pathways** 

#### Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources \* Animal Systems Marketing, Sales, and Service Food Products Buying and Merchandising Arts, A/V Technology, & Communications Agribusiness Systems Distribution and Logistics Audio/Video Techniques Environmental Service Systems e-Marketing Journalism and Broadcasting Natural Resources Systems Management and Entrepreneurship Performing Arts Plant Systems Marketing Communications & Promotion Printing Techniques Power, Structural, and Technical Systems Marketing Info. Management & Research Telecommunications Techniques Professional Sales & Marketing Visual Arts Finance Information Banking & Technology Business, Management, and Agriculture & Related Services Information Support & Administration Business Services Administrative and Information Support **Natural Resources** Financial Interactive Media Business Analysis Management Network Systems Business Financial Management and Business Financial and Programming & Accounting Investment Software Development Marketing Planning Human Resources Insurance Management All Aspects of Industry K & S Services Learning that works for Vermont ...... Hospitality and Tourism **Business Enterprise** Lodging Core Business \* Entrepreneurship \* Recreations, Amusements, and Attractions Restaurants and Food and Beverage Customer Focus \* Health/Safety \* Services Occupational/Technical Travel and Tourism Academic \* Technical \* Meta 21st Century Engineering & Technical Systems Critical Thinking \* Problem Solving Transportation. \*Creativity \* Innovation \* Distribution, & Logistics Teamwork/Collaboration \* Law, Public Safety, and Facility/Mobile Equipment Communications \* Information Literacy \* Maintenance Science. ICT Literacy \* Leadership & Responsibility, Health, Safety, & Correction Services Technology, Adaptability \* Initiative/Productivity \* Environmental Management Emergency and Fire Engineering, & Lifelong Learning Logistics Planning & Management Services Mathematics Management Services Law Enforcement Engineering & Sales & Services Services Technology Transportation Operations Legal Services Science & Math Transportation/Systems Security and Protective **Health & Human** Infrastructure Government and Public Warehousing and Services Distribution Operations Administration Revenue and Taxation Foreign Service Governance Architecture & Manufacturing National Security Production Construction Planning Production Construction Public Management & Development Design & Administration Maintenance, Education & Human Services Regulation Installation, & Repair construction Training Consumer Services Quality Assurance Maintenance Administration Counseling & Mental Health Logistics & Inventory & Operations Services and Administrative Note: High skill, wage Support Health, Safety, & Development & Services Professional and demand pathways Environmental Family & Community Support Services are underlined. Teaching / Services

Personal Care Services

Training



### **Future of CTE**



## 100 years of progress





How have the skills, knowledge, and abilities needed for this work changed?



### 100 years of progress

#### **PAST**

# Vocational Education

For a Few Students

For a Few "Jobs"

6 to 7 "Program Areas"

In-lieu of Academics

**High School Focused** 



#### **PRESENT**

# Career and Technical Education

For All Students

For All "Careers"

16 Career Clusters with79 Pathways

Integrated with Academics

High School and College Partnerships



# What do the jobs and evolving careers of the *future* require?

- 21st century skills
  - Low-wage, low-skill jobs outsourced
  - Machines have replaced many "rote" tasks that previously were conducted by humans
  - Skills now needed are flexibility, entrepreneurship, innovation and "reinventing" oneself
- Higher levels of postsecondary education, in order to achieve economic comfort and stability



#### What does the future of Vermont require?

Workforce education and training within six priority sectors to ensure long-term economic vitality

- Travel/Tourism and Business Systems (Culinary, Hospitality, Accounting, Management, Entrepreneurship)
- Manufacturing/Engineering (STEM)
- Construction/Green Building and Design
- Local Food Systems, Agriculture, Natural Resources;
- Information Technology (Networking, Software Development, Website Design)
- Health/Medical



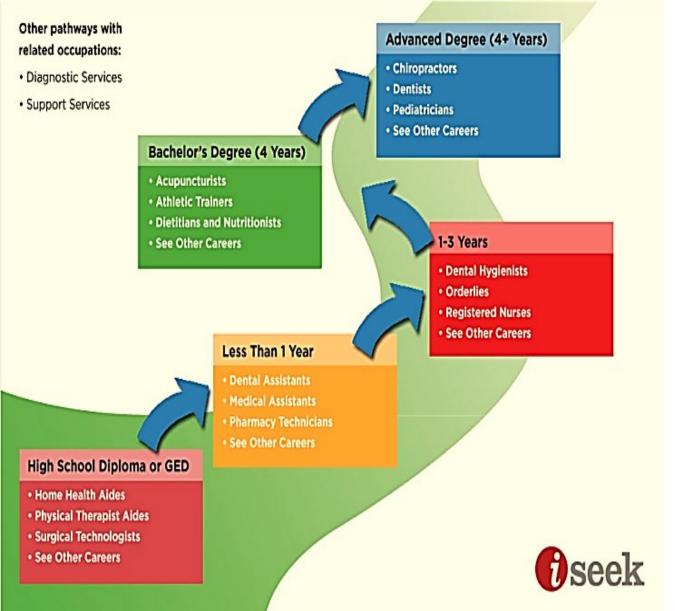
#### **Career Pathways**

Series of interconnected education and training strategies, and support services, that enable individuals to

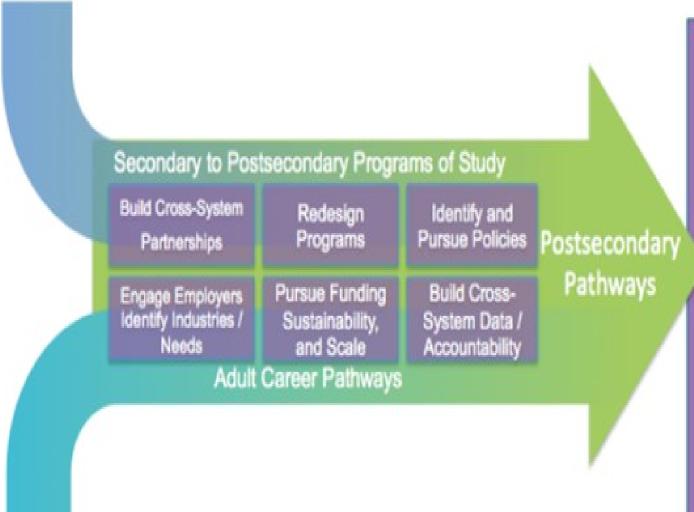
- secure industry relevant certification
- obtain employment within an occupational area, and
- advance to higher levels of future education and employment in that area.



#### **Therapeutic Services**







# System Outcomes:

Financially sustainable, aligned career pathway systems for youth & adults

Increased number of students & skilled workers with postsecondary credentials of value to the labor market

Greater cost efficiencies by reducing duplication of services



#### Proposed AOE Action Plan, 2016-2017

- (1) Set up consortium of CTE educators, gen Ed, higher ed, industry experts, and other stakeholders who will co-design first statewide POS
  - Both secondary and postsecondary stackable credentials
  - Healthcare sector first, followed by manufacturing
- (2) Conduct statewide review of existing CTE programs
  - Will include 1-2 center reviews
  - Serve as launching pad for additional priority sector POS to be designed
- (3) Provide guidance to field on how PLPs can/should be used as part of a **comprehensive career guidance system** for all students
  - Recommends consideration/inclusion of CTE experiences, opportunities, and courses



#### Proposed AOE Action Plan, 2016-2017

- (4) Develop clear **benchmarks for success** and **monitoring plan** 
  - Track where we are in the process; record lessons learned, what worked, what didn't, etc.
  - Share and use statewide for subsequent round of priority sector POS
  - Help sustain and replicate this work



#### Partnering for Success

#### Help change the conversation

- 1. CTE is mutual investment for *all* of us, shift to business/industry, community stakeholders, and education system as *partners*
- 2. Learn more about CTE in order to support renewed *valuing* of CTE experience

#### Help design the statewide POS

- 1. Your input and assistance is *critical* for Vermont's success!
- 2. Support employee time away to serve on state-wide advisory committee
- 3. Sponsor CTE students as part of a work-based learning experience
- 4. Encourage colleagues/employees to serve as career mentors, particularly gender non-traditional areas (e.g., girls in STEM)
- 5. Share information about the career ladders, competencies/skills, opportunities available within your specific industry or sector



Thank you.

Questions?



### STEM Equity Pipeline

- Four pilot centers
- Action based research in their regions
- Increase the number of young women in STEM related programs
- Finding: Capture interest in science and technology early









#### Math-in-CTE

- Research Based
- Math & CTE teacher partners
- Math "enhanced" lessons
- Coaching & feedback process
- Partner with Castleton University





#### Robotics

- Not a "program" but integrated as an supported activity within a CTE program
- Centers are partnering with attached high schools
- Goal is to inspire interest and participation in science and technology
- Mentor-based program
- 21<sup>st</sup> century skill development
- Iterative design skill development (innovation; problem-solving)





#### Modularization





- Shorter programs
- Treated more like explicit courses
- Allows students to participate who might have opted not to attend
- Fewer students "complete" programs

