Industry Certificate Guidebook

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The information for industry certifications was created by the Graduation Guidelines Industry Certificate Work Group. For a list of the members of the work group or for a copy of Industry Certification: Implementation Recommendations, Resources, and Tools, please click here.

Resources

Links to programs listed in the guidebook:

- **Career Clusters -** http://www.coloradostateplan.com/clusters/careerclustermodel.pdf

- **Career Pathways -** http://www.dol.gov/NationalDialogue/ColoradoCareerPathwaysGuide.pdf

- **Colorado CTE standards crosswalked to Colorado academic standards -** http://coctestandards.cccs.edu/

- **Colorado Workforce Development Council (CWDC) -** https://www.colorado.gov/cwdc

- **Concurrent Enrollment -** http://www.cde.state.co.us/postsecondary/concurrentenrollment

- **CTE (Career and Technical Education) –** See the Colorado Community College System website for more information about:

  o Technical Skills Attainment: http://www.coloradostateplan.com/strategy4.htm
  o CTE Advisory committees: http://www.coloradostateplan.com/AdvCommHdbk/AdvCommDev.htm

- **Plans of Study -** http://www.coloradostateplan.com/default_cluster.htm

- **Stackable Credentials -** http://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/attach/TEGL15-10a2.pdf http://www.clasp.org/resources-and-publications/files/2014-03-21-Stackable-Credentials-Paper-FINAL.pdf

- **Sector Partnerships –**

  o https://www.colorado.gov/sectors
  o https://www.colorado.gov/cwdc
  o https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cwdc/sector-strategies
  o http://www.sectorssummit.com/sector-partnerships/career-pathways-sector-partnerships-colorado/

State level examples: Several schools, districts and organizations have developed tools and resources to support the effective implementation of industry certifications.

- **Florida** - http://www.fldoe.org/workforce/indcert.asp

- **Georgia** - http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/CTAE/Pages/Industry-Certification-Standards.aspx

- **Maine** - http://www.maine.gov/doe/cte/

- **Maryland** - www.MarylandPublicSchools.org.

(Click first on Divisions and then on Career and College Readiness.)

- **Mississippi** - http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/career-and-technical-education

- **Pennsylvania -**
 http://www.pde.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/teacher_resources/7392/industry-recognized_certifications_for_career_and_technical_education_programs/507887

- **Texas** - http://www.achievetexas.org/

 http://cte.ed.gov/docs/DQI/TEXAS%204%20Industry%20Certification%20Guide.pdf

- **Utah** - http://www.schools.utah.gov/ate/skills/skills.htm

- **Virginia -**
 www.doe.virginia.gov/instruction/career_technical/path_industry_certification/index.shtml

District and School Initiatives

- **Brevard Public Schools, Florida -** www.ctebrevard.com/IndustryCert-Student.htm

- **Douglas County School District,**
 Colorado www.oracle.com/us/corporate/profit/features/040309-coloradoschools-143603.html

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