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# SOUTH DAKOTA'S CTE LANDSCAPE

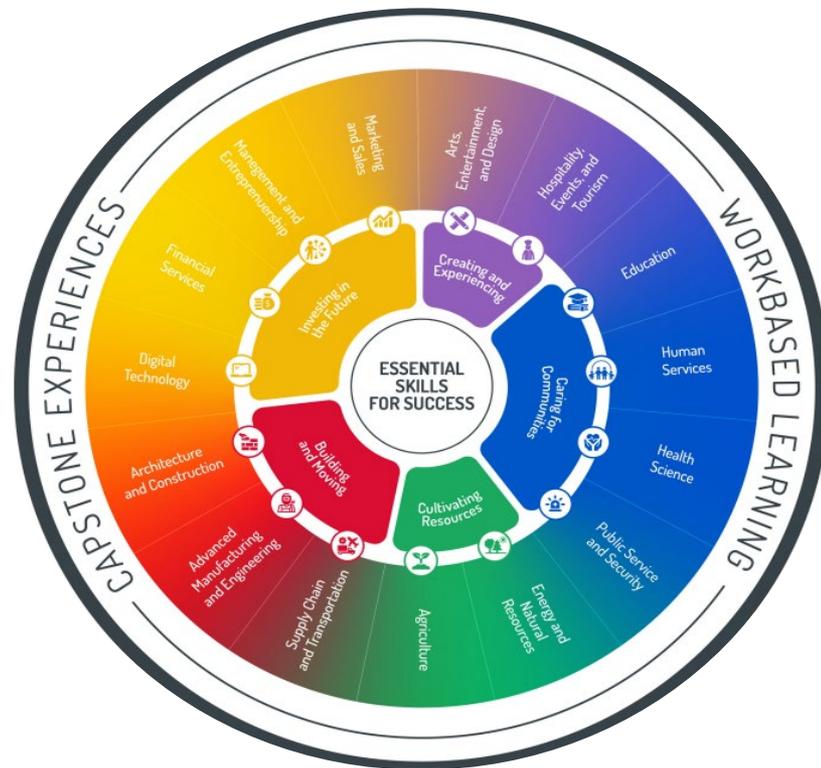
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# WHAT IS CTE?



- Career and Technical Education equips students with the knowledge and skills they need to be prepared for careers in the future workforce.
- CTE courses cover a wide variety of career areas – preparing students for nearly any career they can imagine.
- Course sequences build from exploratory classes to advanced technical skills and hands-on work-based learning opportunities.
- CTE is a program, not just a class.



# WHAT IS CTE?

## CTE equips students with the top five skills employers want:

1. Flexible/Adaptable
2. Lifelong learner/motivated to grow
3. Job-specific skills (hard skills)
4. Soft skills/Essential Skills
5. Passionate about industry

Source:

*Shifting the Skills Conversation*, October 2021



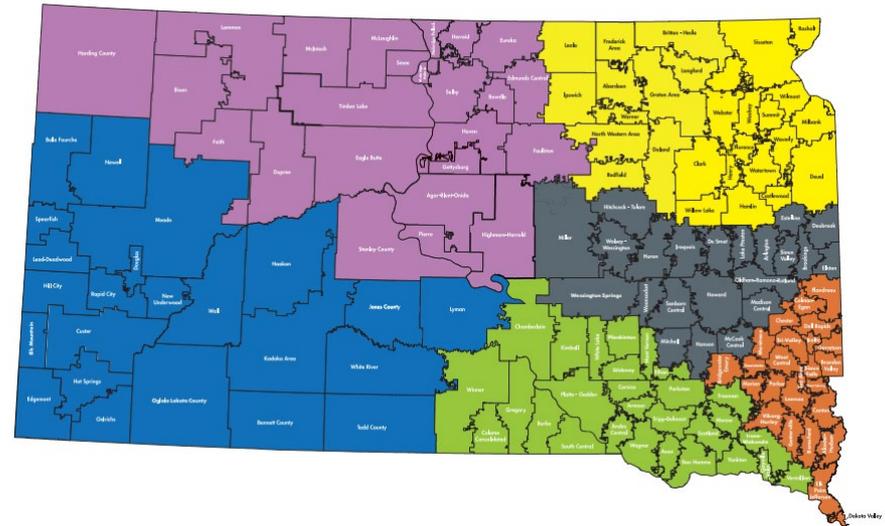
# WHERE IS CTE?

4 technical colleges

148 school districts

5 tribal/BIE schools

9 private schools



# CTE BY THE NUMBERS



1000+ approved programs

27,000 students

19,000 concentrators

96% on time graduation

93% placement

# WHAT ARE CTE STUDENTS STUDYING?

## Student Concentrators



Human Services



Ag, Food, and Natural Resources



Business Management



Architecture and Construction

## Programs Offered



Ag, Food, and Natural Resources



Business Management



Human Services



Architecture and Construction



Standards  
revision



Comprehensive  
local needs  
assessment



Local advisory  
boards

HOW DOES IT COME TOGETHER?

With you!