

## **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) CTE Certificate**

### **Who is eligible to receive a CTE Certificate?**

Any student who enters high school in the 2017-2018 school year and thereafter and meets all of the criteria set forth by the State Board of Education shall be eligible to earn a CTE certificate.

### **Who issues the CTE Certificate?**

The local school district where the student is enrolled will issue the CTE Certificate.

**What is the state standard on any department-approved measure(s) of college and career readiness?** Schools are to use the .75 student weighted measures described in the Assessment Scores Matrix, as the state standard. This matrix is found in Appendix C of the MSIP 5 Comprehensive Guide to the Missouri School Improvement Program, 2016.

### **Regarding CTE Certificate Criteria 7, how is active participation in a Career and Technical Student Organization defined?**

The local school district would determine how active participation in a Career and Technical Student Organization is defined.

### **Can a local school district add a local component to the list of criteria?**

Yes, the local school district can add a local component to the list of criteria. However, the local school district must include all eight criteria set forth by the State Board of Education.

### **What are the approved Technical Skill Assessments (TSA)/Industry-Recognized Credentials (IRC)?**

The approved TSA/IRC list is found on the DESE website at <https://dese.mo.gov/media/pdf/new-irc-and-tsa-guidance>

### **Do classes that students take at the area career center qualify for the CTE certificate?**

Yes. The local school district would need to collaborate with the area career center to make sure the student is completing the requirements that are part of the CTE program they are enrolled in at the area career center.

### **Do A+ earned hours count as Work-Base Learning hours?**

Up to 12.5 earned A+ hours can be applied toward the 50 hours of work-based learning requirement.