

Washington ACTE Legislative Focus for CTE in 2024:

- FUNDING:
 - Ensure CTE Enhance funds are in alignment with program standards to fully support approved CTE programs:
 - Provide CTE Enhance funds only to districts with a PESB Certified CTE Director.
 - ~~Establish~~ Modify the 2-year Conditional CTE Director Certificate, that can be renewed only once.
 - Minimum qualifications ([WAC 181-77-071](#))
 - Currently holds a valid residency, initial, continuing or professional administrator certificate; or
 - Completion of three years of certificated experience as a career and technical education supervisor, career and technical education instructor, career and technical education counselor, career and technical education career guidance specialist, or occupational information specialist.
 - While holding a Conditional CTE Director Certificate the individual shall be required to complete an approved PESB CTE Director program and successfully receive their final certificate.
 - ~~The WACTA CTE Administrative Professional Advisory Committee shall assign a PESB Certified CTE Director, with at least 5 years of experience, to oversee a 100 clock hour training plan that must be approved by said committee.~~
 - All CTE Enhanced funds are under the direction of the Certified CTE Director.
 - Option for 5% indirect charges is maintained.
 - All direct charges must be used in meeting CTE program requirements.
 - ~~Tied to OSPI CTE Annual program evaluation and school board approved 4-year plan as an assurance/guidance document on allowable direct charges.~~
 - ~~Direct charges not meeting CTE program requirements must be approved and justified by the Certified CTE Director.~~
 - Any direct charges must be outlined in an itemized budget using only the codes outlined in the OSPI Accounting Manual Objects of Expenditures for CTE funding. This itemized budget must be reviewed by and signed as a written agreement annually between the certified CTE Director and the Business Manager or District Designee. This agreement must be signed prior to the school board budget approval process.
 - Carry over funds from year to year remain under the direction of the Certified CTE Director and shall be allowed for capital project use to improve existing CTE labs, facilities and addressing program's needs.
- VALUE OF CTE:
 - *Principal/Admin request, see white paper. Working with PESB at this point.
 - WA-ACTE have reached out to PESB – more connection needs to take place.
 - *Hold harmless (45-60 days) for a time to find FLMA leave replacement w/o loss of CTE funding. Working with OSPI at this point.
 - Conversation and 1 meeting has happened with OSPI
 - *Remove 'STEM' from middle school CTE requirement.

- Need to talk with OSPI and see what the limitation is to do so...this has been suggested by OSPI CTE in the past.
 - Expand CTE to 6th grade.
- STUDENT LEADERSHIP:
 - Obtain “Clarity” on meeting the intent of 1660 to remove negative outcomes for some districts in their CTSO programs.
 - By having student leadership within CTE officially defined as “intra-curricular” in statute.

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