Pathways to Success: Illinois’ State Plan for Perkins V

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The Perkins Act was reauthorized in 2018, renaming it *Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act* (Perkins V).

**Purpose:** to develop more fully the academic knowledge and technical and employability skills of secondary education students and postsecondary education students who elect to enroll in CTE programs.

Reauthorized to provide greater alignment between education and workforce programs (e.g. ESSA, WIOA), emphasize career pathways and educational equity, and to create stronger local partnerships.
2006 vs 2020

- Facebook
- Cars movie poster
- Old flip phone
- Modern smartphones
Perkins V Goals for Illinois

1. Increase the percentage of students who obtain a postsecondary credential.
2. Strengthen CTE offerings by improving access, quality, and transition points between education and workforce systems.
3. Increase participation in CTE dual credit coursework.
4. Increase responsiveness to workforce needs.
5. Recruit and retain a robust pipeline of CTE educators.
6. Expand access to quality work-based learning.
CTE Provides Opportunities and Solutions

1. Addresses Critical Skills Gaps and Increases Economic Competitiveness
2. A Quality CTE System Helps Students Explore, Make Informed Decisions, and Connects Them to High-Skill, High-Wage, and In-Demand Careers
3. CTE Provides Educational Opportunities for All Students
That horrifying moment where you’re looking for an adult but then realize you ARE an adult.
So you look for an older adult, someone successfully adulting. An adultier adult.
I just finished my ancient alien theorist degree.

I can't find a job in my area.

Only 6 hours, 40 minutes, and 35 years until I'm done with work.
2. Multiple entry points – for both well-prepared students and targeted populations

- e.g., high school or CTE
- e.g., adult education or workforce system
- e.g., military or civilian workplace

1. Well-connected and transparent education, training, credentials, and support services

Increasing skills, competencies, and credentials informed by industry/employers

- e.g., postsecondary system
- e.g., apprenticeship
- e.g., 4-year degree
- e.g., 2-year degree
- e.g., certificate, diploma
- e.g., license, industry credential

3. Multiple exit points

1st Job in Career Path
2nd Job in Career Path
3rd Job in Career Path
Nth Job in Career Path
WE EMBRACE

CHALLENGE!

Challenge Accepted
Our Challenge to You:

BE BOLD
Resources:

ICCB  https://www.iccb.org/cte/perkins-reauthorization/
ISBE  https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Perkins.aspx
Advance CTE  https://careertech.org/Perkins