

CTE Teacher Certification Options

	TRADITIONAL CERTIFICATION		ALTERNATIVE CERTIFICATION	CTE INSTRUCTOR EDUCATOR PERMIT
CTE Degree Program	Other Education Degree Program		Non-Education Degree or Postsecondary Diploma	Non-Education Degree or Postsecondary Diploma or Industry Experience
Have a bachelor's degree or higher	State Designated Pedagogy Test		Education Coursework 12 Credits	Education Coursework 6 Credits
	CTE Methods 2 Credits		State Designated Pedagogy Test	
Complete a teacher education program from a regionally accredited institution of higher education	Cluster-specific Coursework 15-18 Credits	Pathway-specific Coursework 9 Credits	Cluster-specific Coursework 15-18 Credits	Pathway-specific Coursework 9 Credits
AND				
Complete a South Dakota Indian Studies course	OR	OR	OR	OR
AND				
Written recommendation from regionally accredited institution of higher education	Content Specific State Designated Test	Validated Work Experience 4,000 Hours	State Designated Test or Industry Certification	Validated Work Experience 4,000 Hours
		OR	OR	OR
		State Designated Test or Industry Certification		State Designated Test or Industry Certification
RESULT	RESULT	RESULT	RESULT	RESULT
Professional or Advanced Teacher Certificate with CTE Career Cluster Endorsement	Professional or Advanced Teacher Certificate with Career Cluster Endorsement	Professional or Advanced Teacher Certificate with Career Pathway Endorsement	Alternative CTE Certification with Career Cluster Endorsement	CTE Instructor Educator Permit with CTE Career Pathway Endorsement

NOTES:
Degree Programs may include:
 Business Education
 FACS
 AgEd
 Educational Technology
 Marketing
 Industrial Technology
 Construction Management
 Health Science
CTE Career Cluster Endorsement:
 Authorized to teach all courses within a corresponding career cluster.

NOTES:
CTE Methods Course: Hybrid course. Teachers complete online modules and meet at the summer CTE conference.
Education Degree: If the teacher is not certified to teach at the middle or high school level, he or she must complete the secondary level state pedagogy test.
CTE Career Cluster Endorsement:
 Authorized to teach all courses within a corresponding career cluster.

NOTES:
Work Experience: Requires 1.) employer validation (job description, hours worked, duties, DOLR labor records, etc) or 2.) Self-employment validation. Applicable work experience will have been within the last five years.
CTE Career Pathway Endorsement: Authorized to teach all courses within a corresponding career pathway

NOTES:
Education Coursework:
 Methods of CTE (2 credits)
 Mentored Internship (4 credits)
 South Dakota Indian Studies (3 credits)
 Combination of human relations, adolescent psychology, classroom management, student assessment, or differentiated instruction (3 credits)
Alternative CTE Certification: Authorized to teach all courses within a corresponding career cluster.

NOTES:
Education Coursework:
 Methods of CTE (2 credits)
 Mentored Internship (4 credits)
Work Experience: Requires 1.) employer validation (job description, hours worked, duties, DOLR labor records, etc) or 2.) Self-employment validation. Applicable work experience will have been within the last five years.
Educator Permit: Authorized to teach only courses within a corresponding career pathway.
 This is not a professional teaching certificate

Applicants in this column would need to take CTE 101 for continuing ed. Contact hours and gives authorization to use Perkins funding

All applicants in these columns would need to take CTE Methods for transcribed credit. They would not need to take CTE 101 in addition to CTE Methods.

****Senate Bill 129, passed by the 2016 Legislature, requires anyone applying for an initial or renewal certificate as a teacher, administrator or other education professional to participate in a minimum of one clock hour of suicide awareness and prevention training. This requirement begins July 1, 2017.****