

State-Approved Industry Recognized Credentials

To meet the requirements of the South Dakota High School Graduation Advanced Career Endorsement a student must earn at least one industry-recognized credential. If the student is meeting the requirements of the endorsement through coursework in an approved CTE program (either in part or in full), the credential must be from the same cluster as the student's coursework.

Additions of Industry-Recognized Credentials to the State-Approved List

Schools may submit recommendation(s) to Brad.Scott@state.sd.us by October 1, each year. New credentials will be posted online by December 1 of each year.

Cluster	Industry Recognized Credentials Available	Issuing Organization	Web Link
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources	Beef Quality Assurance	Beef Quality Assurance	https://www.bqa.org/certification
	Certified Welder (AWS)	American Welding Society	https://www.aws.org/education/sense/
	Commercial Applicator Certification (Pesticide)	South Dakota Department of Agriculture	https://sdda.sd.gov/ag-services/pesticide-program/certification-licensing-registration/licensing-and-education/
	Masters of Beef Advocacy	National Cattlemen's Beef Association	https://www.beef.org/mastersofbeefadvocacy.aspx
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept.ofLabor&Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification – Agricultural	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—Construction Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	Pork Quality Assurance Plus	National Pork Board	https://www.pork.org/certifications/youth-pork-quality-assurance-plus/
	Private Applicator Certification (Pesticide)	South Dakota Department of Agriculture	https://sdda.sd.gov/farming-ranching-agribusiness/pesticide-program/pesticide-faqs/private-applicator-certification-faqs/
Registered Parliamentarian	National Association of Parliamentarians	http://www.parliamentarians.org/services/accreditation/	
Architecture & Construction	Certified SolidWorks Associate (CSWA)	SolidWorks	http://www.solidworks.com/sw/support/cswa-academic.htm
	Drafter Certification (ADDA)	American Design Drafting Assn.	http://www.adda.org/index.php/professional/professional-certification
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept.ofLabor&Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—Construction Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/

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Arts, A/V Technology & Communications	Adobe Certified Associate (ACA)	Certiport	https://certipoint.pearsonvue.com/Certifications/Adobe/ACA/Overview
	HTML Developer	W3Schools	https://www.w3schools.com/cert/cert_html_new.asp
	JavaScript Developer	W3Schools	https://www.w3schools.com/cert/cert_javascript.asp
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept.ofLabor&Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
Business Management & Administration	Concepts of Entrepreneurship and Management (A*S*K)	A S K Business Institute	http://www.askinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=36&Itemid=56
	Concepts of Finance (A*S*K)	A S K Business Institute	http://www.askinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=36&Itemid=56
	Entrepreneurship & Small Business Certification	Certiport	https://certipoint.pearsonvue.com/Certifications/ESB/Certification/Overview
	Fundamental Business Concepts (A*S*K)	A S K Business Institute	http://www.askinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=36&Itemid=56
	Fundamental Marketing Concepts (A*S*K)	A S K Business Institute	http://www.askinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=36&Itemid=56
	MOS: Microsoft Office	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	MOS: Microsoft Excel	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	MOS: Microsoft Power Point	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	MOS: Microsoft Access	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	MOS: Microsoft Outlook	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept.ofLabor&Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	Registered Parliamentarian	National Association of Parliamentarians	http://www.parliamentarians.org/services/accreditation/
Education & Training	Certified Para Professional	ParaPro Praxis	https://www.ets.org/parapro
	Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential	Council for Professional Recognition	http://www.cdacouncil.org/
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	http://www.parliamentarians.org/services/accreditation/
	Registered Parliamentarian	National Association of Parliamentarians	http://www.parliamentarians.org/services/accreditation/

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Finance	Concepts of Entrepreneurship and Management (A*S*K)	A S K Business Institute	http://www.askinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=36&Itemid=56
	Concepts of Finance (A*S*K)	A S K Business Institute	http://www.askinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=36&Itemid=56
	Entrepreneurship & Small Business Certification	Certiport	https://certiport.pearsonvue.com/Certifications/ESB/Certification/Overview
	Fundamental Business Concepts (A*S*K)	A S K Business Institute	http://www.askinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=36&Itemid=56
	Fundamental Marketing Concepts (A*S*K)	A S K Business Institute	http://www.askinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=36&Itemid=56
	MOS: Microsoft Office	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	MOS: Microsoft Excel	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	MOS: Microsoft Power Point	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	MOS: Microsoft Access	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	MOS: Microsoft Outlook	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	Registered Parliamentarian	National Association of Parliamentarians	http://www.parliamentarians.org/services/accreditation/
	QuickBooks Certifications	Certiport	https://certiport.pearsonvue.com/Certifications/QuickBooks/Certified-User/Overview
Government & Public Administration	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
Health Science	Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA)	South Dakota Board of Nursing and South Dakota Health Care Association	https://doh.sd.gov/boards/nursing/nurseaid.aspx http://www.sdhca.org/
	EMT-Basic	South Dakota Dept. of Health	https://doh.sd.gov/providers/ruralhealth/EMS/training.aspx
	First Aid/CPR	American Heart Association	http://cpr.heart.org/AHA/ECC/CPRAndECC/FindACourse/UCM_473162_Find-A-Course.jsp
		American Red Cross	https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class
	Medical Administration	American Medical Certification Assn	https://www.amcaexams.com/exam-candidates/certification-exam/medical-administrative-assistant-certification/
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/

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Health Science (continued)	Pharmacy Technician Certification	Pharmacy Technician Certification Board	http://www.ptcb.org/
	Unlicensed Medication Aide (UMA)	South Dakota Board of Nursing	http://doh.sd.gov/boards/Nursing/MATPApproval.aspx
Hospitality & Tourism	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	ProStart® National Certificate of Achievement (COA)	National Restaurant Assn.	https://chooserestaurants.org/Programs-and-Scholarships/ProStart-for-Students/Certificate-of-Achievement
	Registered Parliamentarian	National Association of Parliamentarians	http://www.parliamentarians.org/services/accreditation/
	ServSafe Food Safety Certification	ServSafe	https://www.servsafe.com/ServSafe-Manager/Get-Certified
	Human Services	Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential	Council for Professional Recognition
First Aid/CPR		American Red Cross	https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class
National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)		South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry		Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
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Information Technology	A+/CompTIA Certification Examination (A+ Essentials)	CompTIA	https://certification.comptia.org/certifications/a#exampreparation
	Adobe Certified Associate (ACA)	Certiport	https://certiport.pearsonvue.com/Certifications/Adobe/ACA/Overview
	C-Tech Home Professionals	C-Tech	https://ctechprograms.com/programs/certified-training-programs/
	C-Tech Network Cabling Specialists	C-Tech	https://ctechprograms.com/programs/certified-training-programs/
	C-Tech Voice Communication Professionals	C-Tech	https://ctechprograms.com/programs/certified-training-programs/
	Cisco Certified Entry Networking Technician (CCENT™)	Cisco	https://learningnetwork.cisco.com/welcome
	Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA™)	Cisco	https://learningnetwork.cisco.com/welcome
	CompTIA Network+	CompTIA	https://certification.comptia.org/certifications/a#exampreparation
	HTML Developer	W3Schools	https://www.w3schools.com/cert/cert_html_new.asp
	JavaScript Developer	W3Schools	https://www.w3schools.com/cert/cert_javascript.asp
	Microsoft Office Specialist	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx

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Information Technology (continued)	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	EMT-Basic	Emergency Medical Technicians	https://www.nremt.org/rwd/public/document/emt
	First Aid/CPR	American Red Cross	https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	Certified SolidWorks Associate (CSWA)	SolidWorks	http://www.solidworks.com/sw/support/cswa-academic.htm
	Certified Welder (AWS)	American Welding Society	https://www.aws.org/education/sense/
	Drafter Certification (ADDA)	American Design Drafting Assn.	http://www.adda.org/index.php/professional/professional-certification
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—Construction Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
Manufacturing	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
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	MOS: Microsoft Access	Microsoft	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/learning/mos-certification.aspx
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	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
Marketing	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/

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Marketing (continued)	Registered Parliamentarian	National Association of Parliamentarians	http://www.parliamentarians.org/services/accreditation/
Science, Technology, Engineering & Math	Certified SolidWorks Associate (CSWA)	SolidWorks	http://www.solidworks.com/sw/support/cswa-academic.htm
	Drafter Certification (ADDA)	American Design Drafting Assn.	http://www.adda.org/index.php/professional/professional-certification
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—Construction Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics	Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Certification	National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation	http://www.asestudentcertification.com/
	National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC)*	South Dakota Dept. of Labor & Regulation	http://Dept. of Labor & Regulation.sd.gov/workforce_services/ncrc/default.aspx
	OSHA 10 Hour Safety Certification—General Industry	Occupational Safety & Health Administration	https://www.careersafeonline.com/

*A student must attain a National Career Readiness Certificate level of Silver or higher.