

Pathways to Licensure: Career and Technical Education



Are you looking to fill a vacant Career and Technical Education position in your school? You may have an educator in your school or district who is already qualified to fill the position! The requirements below outline the most common credentials that educators earn to work in Career and Technical Education.

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Requirements

Option 1

ELS-CTE + endorsement area
(Grades 7-12 or 5-12)

Option 2

ELS-CTEP + endorsement area
(Grades 11-12 or 5-12)

Option 3

ELS-PCTE + endorsement area
(Grades 6-12 or 5-12)
No longer valid for new applications

Short-Term Approval (STA) Requirements

Option 1

STA - CTE (Grades 5-12)

- ✓ One of the following:
 - PEL (in a teaching field for any grade range)
 - One of the CTE licenses + one year of teaching experience
- ✓ One of the following:
 - 240 hours of full-time work experience in the content area sought
 - Professional certification in the content area sought

These approvals are temporary credentials that allow an educator to immediately begin teaching while working toward full licensure requirements.

Application procedures

View full requirements at
www.isbe.net/licensure

1

Create or login
to your existing
ELIS account

2

Submit the applicable
endorsement or
approval application

3

Pay the \$50
application fee

4

Submit required
forms and transcripts
to your ROE/ISC

5

Available CTE Endorsement Areas

Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
Arts & Communications
Finance and Business Services
Health Sciences and Technology
Human and Public Services
Information Technology
Manufacturing, Engineering, Technology, and Trades

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