

2026 Career and Technical Education Scholar Award Program

- Recognizes student achievements in career and technical education (CTE) throughout New Jersey.
- Highlights the importance of CTE in addressing the demands of business and industry for highly skilled and trained employees.



CTE Scholar Award Program Timeline

February 4, 2026

Application window open for submission



February 18-19, 2026

Information Sessions

March 18, 2026

Application due date



May 2026

Recognition of CTE Scholar Award Recipients

Eligible Local Education Agencies (LEAs)

- LEAs with CTE programs of study approved by the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE).
- Student criteria for eligibility includes all the following:
 - 1. Demonstrate a high level of achievement in a CTE program of study.
 - 2. Indicate a high level of achievement in at least three academic classes.
 - 3. Successfully complete a collegelevel course or a work-based learning (WBL) experience.
 - 4. Participate in a career and technical student organization (CTSO) or a community service project.

Important links

- Visit the CTE Scholar Award Program website for more information.
- Contact information Please send any questions about the CTE Scholar Award Program to CTEScholarAwardProgram@doe.nj.gov.