



PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Subject: CTE Certification Summary for the 2018-2019 School Year
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Recent industry credentialing initiatives through Career and Technical Education encourage students to work toward earning an industry certification, achieving a State licensure, or passing an occupational competency assessment while pursuing a high school diploma. To graduate with a Standard Diploma, a student must earn at least 22 standard units of credit by passing required courses and electives, and earn at least six verified credits by passing end-of-course SOL tests or other assessments approved by the Board of Education. Beginning with students entering ninth grade for the first time in 2013-2014, a student must also earn a board-approved career and technical education credential to graduate with a Standard Diploma and successfully complete one virtual course, which may be non-credit bearing. The class of 2017 was the first class required to meet these new requirements. All seniors graduating with a Standard Diploma succeeded at meeting this requirement.

During the 2018-2019 school year, students in CTE classes passed 1358 licensure or certification exams. This number of 81% passing is up compared to the 1411 certifications earned in 2017-2018 with a 80% pass rate, 1505 certifications earned in 2016-2017, 1471 certifications earned in 2015-2016, 1421 earned in 2014-2015, 1396 certifications earned in 2013-2014, 864 earned in 2012-2013, 466 earned in 2011-2012, 301 earned in 2010-2011, 180 earned in 2009-2010, 102 earned in 2008-2009 and 32 certifications during the 2007-2008 school year. A total of 1,677 certification or licensure exams were given to students during the school year. A summary of exams given at the four high schools and the Career Tech Center are shown below.

Division Summary – CTE Certification Exams Given for 2018-2019

High School CTE Certifications

Instructional Area	Certifications	Certifications Given
Agricultural Education	Private Pesticide Applicator	65
Agriculture Education	NOCTI Certifications	23
Business Education	Microsoft Office Specialist	179
Business Education	NOCTI Certifications	65
Economics and Personal Finance	WISE – Financial Literacy	638

JROTC	ASVAB	6
Marketing Education	Customer Service	100
Marketing Education	NOCTI Certifications	52
Across the Board	National Career Readiness Certification	71
Across the Board	Virginia Workplace Readiness	192
TOTAL – High Schools		1391

Pittsylvania Career and Technical Center Certifications

Instructional Area	Certifications	Certifications Given
Health Sciences	Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)	18 14
Trade and Industrial	CompTIA Certification Cosmetology Licensure NATEF/ASE - Automobile NATEF/ASE – Collision NCCER – Electricity Level 1 NCCER- Core Curriculum Skills NIMS – CNC Turning, Level I NIMS – Measurement, Materials, & Safety Skills, Level I NOCTI Criminal Justice ParaPro Assessment Praxis I ServSafe Certification	254
Total - PCTC		286
Total - Division		1677

If there are questions concerning the CTE certification program, please contact Mrs. Angela Rigney, Director of Career and Technical Education.