

Green Workforce Development

Collective Impact for Schools & Communities: Make the Connection

Student | Parent | Community Member

- Research CTE through the school district and the state education department websites
- Set up a meeting with a district CTE manager to inquire how you can get involved
- Consider initiating a student club or activating an existing club to dedicate school projects and service learning to green workforce development

School Staff Member | Garden Coordinator

- Align new and existing programs with Career-Tech courses and credentials
- Build relationships with work-based learning partners to help satisfy Career-Tech requirements
- Connect with the district wellness committee leader to share ideas on how outdoor learning and environmental education can be accessible to all students

City Official

- Connect with the school district's CTE department to identify and address barriers that prevent students from participating in internships or being placed in green jobs after they graduate
- Collaborate with CTE and join a relevant committee focused on expanding the green workforce
- Create policies that set goals for students trained for the green workforce and devise a funding plan

District Career & Technical Education Department

- Promote green jobs & provide green jobs training for school counselors
- Understand local workforce needs and the challenges
- Explore opportunities for students to participate in work-based learning on additional school campuses other than their own
- Create or participate in a workforce development committee

Partner Organization | University | Business

- Contact the CTE department to present how your organization can support coursework and credentials
- Partner with a school that has a gardening program to support K-12 career pathway programming
- Organize or join a green workforce development committee to address the needs of the school district