



Perkins IV

Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006

CTE Arts Checklist

What is a Career Tech Ed Arts course? How does it differ from an Academic Arts course? What Pathways do the courses belong in? Which courses are Perkins Fundable? Who can teach CTE Arts courses?

The above questions have come up on a number of occasions and in a number of contexts inside and outside of CDE. It would be easy to look at traditional models or a single authoritative source to make a definitive determination. But the fact of the matter is that CTE is dynamic (see new State Plan) and cannot be easily or simply defined or encapsulated. CTE is grounded in traditional vocational education but must have the flexibility to adapt to a changing workforce in a changing world. In an effort to bring some clarity to the "What is..." discussion the following is the check list I use in considering "What is/What isn't CTE".

- CTE Arts, Media, and Entertainment courses must be Standards based (California Career Technical Education Model Curriculum Standards) and **must** incorporate the Foundation Standards along with Pathway (content) Standards.
- CTE Arts, Media, and Entertainment courses **must** teach skills that are useable in the workplace in addition to theoretical and/or background knowledge.
- CTE Arts, Media and Entertainment courses **must** be taught by an appropriately credentialed individual as determined by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (this can include Single Subject, Designated Subject, SS with Subject matter Authorization, New Career Technical Education Credential by industry sector)
- CTE Art, Media and Entertainment courses should/must be part of a sequence of courses ascribable to one of the three AME pathways. (Media and Design Arts, Performing Arts, Production and Managerial Arts)
- CTE Arts, Media, and Entertainment courses should/must be designed in cooperation with an **industry based** advisory panel.

- CTE Arts, Media, and Entertainment coursework should articulate with post-secondary options for career preparation.

If Arts courses meet the above criteria they should be considered CTE Arts courses. To be considered for Perkins funding **all** criteria **must** be met.