

Career Technical Student Organizations are an integral part of the Career Technical Education Pathway that are in California High Schools and Community Colleges. They are also found throughout the United States and internationally, as well. Career Technical Student Organizations or CTSOs offer students the ability to develop leadership skills, critical thinking, team building, and soft/employability or what is now being called "REALITY" skills.

The skills that student learn in their participation and involvement from CTSOs a part of every employment and workforce environment; hence the new name, "Reality" skills. In addition to the technical skill development that students learn in the classroom and/or lab setting, they learn the "soft/employable/reality" skills which will allow them to be successful in life. These skills are transferable to being successful in life, work, and their post-secondary education achievements.

The following are the six (6) state funded (supported) CTSOs from the California Department of Education and other state and federal funding sources. Each organization is affiliated with certain industry sectors and pathways in Career Technical Education or CTE. Some industry sectors and pathways can be found in one or more CTSO organization and it is up to the school site or district as to which is made available to students to participate in at the local level. Each organization has a national office that it belongs to and the California Department of Education (CDE) has oversight of the state, regional, and local chapter associations.



California DECA – www.californiadeca.org

National DECA – www.deca.org

CTE Industry Sectors and Pathways that can be part of California DECA are:

- Business and Finance
 - Business Management Pathway
 - Financial Services Pathway
 - International Business Pathway
- Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
 - Food Science, Dietetics, and Nutrition Pathways
 - Food Service and Hospitality Pathways
 - Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation Pathways
- Marketing, Sales, and Service
 - Marketing Pathway
 - Entrepreneurship/Self-Employment Pathway
 - Professional Sales Pathway



CA FCCLA – www.ca-fccla.org

National FCCLA – www.fcclainc.org

CTE Industry Sectors and Pathways that can be part of CA FCCLA are:

- Education, Child Development, and Family Services
 - Child Development Pathway
 - Consumer Services Pathway
 - Education Pathway
 - Family and Human Services Pathways
- Fashion and Interior Design
 - Interior Design Pathway
 - Fashion Design and Merchandising Pathways
 - Personal Services Pathways
- Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
 - Food Science, Dietetics, and Nutrition Pathways
 - Food Service and Hospitality Pathways
 - Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation Pathways



California FBLA – www.cafbla.org

National FBLA – www.fbla.pbl.org

CTE Industry Sectors and Pathways that can be part of California FBLA are:

- Business and Finance
 - Business Management Pathway
 - Financial Services Pathway
 - International Business Pathway
- Information and Communications Technology
 - Information Support and Services Pathways
 - Networking Pathway
 - Software and Systems Development Pathways
 - Games and Simulation Pathways



California FFA – www.calaged.org
 National FFA – www.ffa.org

CTE Industry Sectors and Pathways that can be part of California FFA are:

- Agriculture and National Resources
 - Agriculture Business Pathway
 - Agricultural Mechanics Pathway
 - Agriscience Pathway
 - Animal Science Pathway
 - Forestry and Natural Resources Pathways
 - Ornamental Horticulture Pathway
 - Plant and Soil Science Pathways



California HOSA – www.cal-hosa.org
 National HOSA – www.hosa.org

CTE Industry Sectors and Pathways that can be part of California HOSA are:

- Health Science and Medical Technology
 - Biotechnology Pathway
 - Patient Care Pathways
 - Health Care Administrative Services Pathways
 - Health Care Operational Support Services Pathways
 - Public and Community Health Pathways
 - Mental and Behavior Health Pathways



California SkillsUSA – www.skillsusaca.org
 National SkillsUSA – www.skillsusa.org

CTE Industry Sectors and Pathways that can be part of California SkillsUSA are:

- Arts, Media, and Entertainment
 - Design, Visual, and Media Arts Pathways
 - Performing Arts Pathway
 - Production and Managerial Arts Pathways
 - Game Design and Integration Pathways

- Building and Construction Trades
 - Cabinetry, Millwork, and Woodworking Pathways
 - Engineering and Heavy Construction Pathways
 - Mechanical Systems Installation and Repair Pathways
 - Residential and Commercial Construction Pathways
- Business and Finance
 - Business Management Pathway
 - Financial Services Pathway
 - International Business Pathway
- Education, Child Development, and Family Services
 - Child Development Pathway
 - Consumer Services Pathway
 - Education Pathway
 - Family and Human Services Pathways
- Energy and Utilities
 - Environmental Resources Pathway
 - Energy and Power Technology Pathways
 - Telecommunications Pathway
- Engineering and Architecture
 - Architectural Design Pathway
 - Engineering Technology Pathway
 - Engineering Design Pathway
 - Environmental Engineering Pathway
- Fashion and Interior Design
 - Interior Design Pathway
 - Fashion Design and Merchandising Pathways
 - Personal Services Pathways
- Health Science and Medical Technology
 - Biotechnology Pathway
 - Patient Care Pathways
 - Health Care Administrative Services Pathways
 - Health Care Operational Support Services Pathways
 - Public and Community Health Pathways
 - Mental and Behavior Health Pathways
- Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
 - Food Science, Dietetics, and Nutrition Pathways
 - Food Service and Hospitality Pathways
 - Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation Pathways
- Information and Communications Technology
 - Information Support and Services Pathways
 - Networking Pathway
 - Software and Systems Development Pathways
 - Games and Simulation Pathways

- Marketing, Sales, and Service
 - Marketing Pathway
 - Entrepreneurship/Self-Employment Pathway
 - Professional Sales Pathway
- Manufacturing and Product Development
 - Graphic Production Technologies Pathways
 - Machining and Forming Technologies Pathways
 - Welding and Materials Joining Pathways
 - Product Innovation and Design Pathways
- Public Service
 - Public Safety Pathways
 - Emergency Response Pathways
 - Legal Practices Pathways
- Transportation
 - Operations Pathways
 - Structural Repair and Refinishing Pathways
 - Systems Diagnostics, Service, and Repair Pathways