

Promoting CTE Programs

A Grassroots Approach



PROMOTING THE VALUE OF CTE IN YOUR COMMUNITY

AGENDA for meeting:

- Purpose of the discussion (JJ)
- Questions to promote the discussion (JJ)
- Where we are and what is available now: Pathways materials, NASDCTEc materials
- Ideas for using resources



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Why is it important to promote CTE at the local level?

According to a recent survey conducted by the MSU Social Science Research Center, Mississippi residents recognize the value of career and technical education. However they still hold on to the stigma that "vocational education" is for students who are not academic high achievers and would recommend a more rigorous "main stream" academic path for their children.

They connect "vocational education" with students who are NOT going to college.



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Why is it important to promote CTE at the local level?

We need to connect with our audience in ways that matter to them, and that is through student success stories.

We need to communicate to parents that:

- CTE prepares students to succeed in COLLEGE and careers.
- CTE prepares students for high skilled, high wage jobs.

We need to communicate to community/business leaders that:

- CTE is critical to ensuring that Mississippi stays competitive in the global market place.
- CTE actively partners with employers to design and provide highquality, dynamic programs.



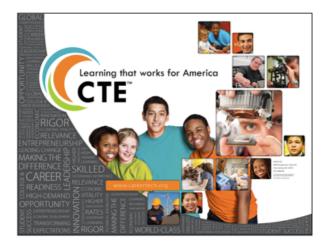
CTE BRAND RESOURCES:

Brand Communications to support the CTE Brand Story Customizable Brochure Customizable Mississippi Logo Customizable PowerPoint template Customizable Posters

All available at www.careertech.org



CTE Brand Poster



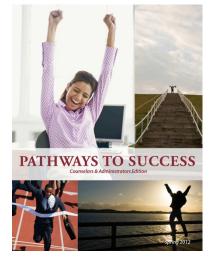


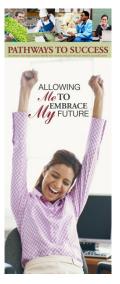


PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS BRAND RESOURCES

- Pathways to Success administrator/counselor booklet (\$4 each) and individual Pathways to Success booklets (\$2 each)
 - Contact Emily.Johnson@rcu.msstate.edu
- Pathways to Success PowerPoint template, logo, videos: http://www.rcu.msstate.edu/MDE/PathwaystoSuccess/ PathwaystoSuccessVideos.aspx
- 16 cluster banners
 - Contact <u>Amanda.Bolan@rcu.msstate.edu</u>
- Audio podcast: http://www.rcu.msstate.edu/Home/Media.aspx

Pathways to Success







Ideas for using brand resources:

- Find your audience:
 - Attend and speak at local PTA/PTO meetings at elementary and middle schools or school open houses.
 - Attend and speak at local chamber meetings.
- Prepare the presentation materials:
 - Customize CTE or PTS PowerPoint slides with your local CTE success stories, the Mississippi CTE logo, and your school's logo.
 - Customize the CTE brochure to hand out to parents with contact info for more information.
 - Use the PTS booklets and/or banners at events and for promotion of your programs.
 - Take successful CTE students with you to share their stories as testimonies of CTE success.
 - Tap into your graduates to help tell the story when they are home from college. Think about planning visits to middle/ elementary classes during college breaks.



Ideas for using brand resources:

- Put CTE or PTS ad in football program with your contact information.
- Put CTE or PTS ad in the summer legion baseball programs with your contact information.
- Ask your digital media class to create radio and video 30-sec or 15-sec
 PSAs to air on local radio or school radio stations, could also ask to have them broadcast at halftime of football games.
- Get students involved and telling their stories.



Wrap-Up

- Online Survey (MDE>Updates)
 - Complete by Friday, September 21
- We will share survey results on the next Admin Webinar scheduled for October 3. Watch for registration information.
- Feel free to e-mail any ideas or comments or questions to julie.jordan@rcu.msstate.edu

