

# PERKINS V

## KEY FEDERAL DEFINITIONS & STATE PROPOSED CRITERIA

**Career and Technical Education (CTE)** – *a sequence of courses that provides individuals with rigorous academic content and relevant technical knowledge and skills needed to prepare for further education and careers in current or emerging professions, which may include high-skill, [OR] high-wage, or in-demand industry sectors or occupations; provide technical skill proficiency or a recognized postsecondary credential (an industry-recognized credential, a certificate, or an associate degree); may include non-remedial pre-requisite courses; includes [aspects of personalized learning including work-based, and proficiency/competency based learning], technical skills, and occupation-specific skills, and knowledge of all aspects of an industry, including entrepreneurship; to the extent practicable, coordinated between secondary and postsecondary education programs through programs of study which may include coordination through articulation agreements, early college [...] programs, dual or concurrent enrollment program opportunities, or other credit transfer agreements that provide postsecondary credit or advanced standing; and may include career exploration at the high school level or as early as the [7<sup>th</sup>] [...] grade[.]*

**Vermont will use these additional criteria, established with input from the Vermont Department of Labor:**

**High-wage Occupation:** Occupations paying more than the all-industry, all-ownership median wage for statewide (**\$19.10/hr**) or a particular region.

[\(Occupational Employment & Wages\)](#)

**In-demand Occupation:** Occupations having more than the median number of total (growth plus replacement) annual openings statewide or **24** annual openings in a particular region.

[\(Occupational Proj. - Long Term\)](#)

**High-skill Occupations:** Occupations that require education and training beyond high school (**50%+ in Vermont**), related work experience, OR long-term on the job training.

[\(Medium prep needed or above\)](#)