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U.S. Presidential Scholars in CTE Program 2017-2018 School Year

Deadline: November 10, 2017

Program Background

The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964, by executive order of the President, to recognize and honor some of our nation's most distinguished graduating high school seniors. In 1979, the program was extended to recognize students who demonstrate exceptional talent in the visual, creative and performing arts. The program was expanded in 2015 to recognize students who demonstrate ability and accomplishment in career and technical education fields.

Eligibility Criteria

In order to be eligible for nomination, students must meet the following **eligibility criteria**:

- Student must be nominated via the link below by close of business on Friday, November 10, 2017, with all sections complete; and
- Student must be a high school senior AND a participant in a state approved career technical education (CTE) program with priority given to students in programs of study that are viewed as an economic priority for Vermont and the nation (Healthcare, IT, Advanced Manufacturing, STEM, Transportation, Agriculture, Construction, and Hospitality & Tourism);
- Student will graduate or receive a diploma between January and June of 2018, the current program year; and
- Student must demonstrate proficiency and achievement in four areas: Academics, Technical Competence, Employability Skills/College & Career Readiness, and Ingenuity/Creativity/Problem Solving.

Complete the [CTE Nomination Form](#) online.

Process Timeline

November 10, 2017	Deadline for nominations to VT Secretary of Education
November 20-24, 2017	Schools and Nominees are informed of results
Date TBD	Reception for scholars and parents at the Vermont State House
Mid-January 2018	Nominees invited to apply to the U.S. program
February 2018	Completed applications due to the U.S. program office
May 2018	U.S. Presidential Scholars announced by U.S. Department of Education