

# Carl D. Perkins

## Career and Technical Education Improvement Act



### Purpose of Program:

To develop more fully the academic and career and technical skills of secondary education students and postsecondary education students who elect to enroll in career and technical education programs, by—

- 1) building on the efforts of states and localities to develop challenging academic and technical standards and to assist students in meeting such standards, including preparation for high skill, high wage, or high demand occupations in current or emerging professions;
- 2) promoting the development of services and activities that integrate rigorous and challenging academic and career and technical instruction, and that link secondary education and postsecondary education for participating career and technical education students;
- 3) increasing State and local flexibility in providing services and activities designed to develop, implement, and improve career and technical education, including tech prep education;
- 4) conducting and disseminating national research and disseminating information on best practices that improve career and technical education programs, services, and activities;
- 5) providing technical assistance that—
  - a. promotes leadership, initial preparation, and professional development at the State and local levels; and
  - b. improves the quality of career and technical education teachers, faculty, administrators, and counselors;
- 6) supporting partnerships among secondary schools, postsecondary institutions, baccalaureate degree granting institutions, area career and technical education schools, local workforce investment boards, business and industry, and intermediaries; and
- 7) providing individuals with opportunities throughout their lifetimes to develop, in conjunction with other education and training programs, the knowledge and skills needed to keep the United States competitive.”

### What types of services are available for private school participants?

- Professional development for Career and Technical Education teachers