

Assessment Tools

These tools are designed to help students, families, educators, and industry partners evaluate Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs for relevance, accessibility, and clarity. The goal is to identify opportunities for improvement, simplify information, and bridge awareness gaps.

1. CTE Access Surveys

Purpose: Gather perspectives from key stakeholders on awareness, barriers, and opportunities in CTE.

- Four Versions: Students, Families, Educators, Industry Partners.
- Format: Fillable Word templates that can be adapted into Google Forms for digital use.
- Use Case: Districts, schools, or community partners can administer these surveys to collect feedback on current CTE awareness and accessibility.

2. Survey Summary Report

Purpose: Translate survey findings into actionable insights.

- Content: Summarizes key barriers, gaps, and recommendations from pilot survey data.
- Application: Serves as a framework for schools and districts to analyze local responses.
- Outcome: Directly connects findings to toolkit resources, making recommendations immediately actionable.

3. Equity & Inclusion Audit Template

Purpose: Support schools in evaluating whether CTE programs are equitably designed and implemented.

- Format: Fillable Word template with Yes/No/Partially responses and notes section; Excel version for scoring and visualization.
- Focus Areas: Language accessibility, outreach inclusivity, transportation, enrollment diversity, advising distribution, and family engagement.
- Application: Enables administrators to reflect on equity practices and identify blind spots.

4. CTE Readiness Checklist Template

Purpose: Provide administrators with a structured tool to assess program strengths and areas for improvement.

- Format: Word version for qualitative notes; Excel version with readiness scoring for data tracking.
- Focus Areas: Pathway mapping, curriculum alignment, advising practices, teacher training, financial aid communication, industry engagement, and program review processes.
- Application: Encourages schools and districts to measure readiness against state workforce priorities and student needs.

Relevance and Application

Together, these tools enable schools, families, students, and industry partners to:

- Evaluate whether information about CTE is simple, accessible, and relatable.
- Identify where programs succeed and where support is needed.
- Generate insights that inform continuous improvement and bridge access and awareness gaps.

These tools will be posted on the Every Student Welcome Network (ESWN) Resource Hub as practical, user-friendly assessment resources for statewide use.