**Career/Vocational Technical Education (CVTE) in Massachusetts**

**(Highlights)**

* 27 regional vocational technical high schools;
* 29 municipal school districts and 8 regional school districts, either in a dedicated vocational high school or in a comprehensive high school that also offers traditional academic courses of study;
* 2 county agricultural schools (Bristol and Norfolk);
* 1 educational collaborative (Lower Pioneer Valley);
* 1 independent public school (Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School in Northampton); and
* 17 postsecondary institutions
* 58,000+ high school students enrolled in CVTE - 20%
  + Nearly 800 individual state-approved programs across 68 districts
  + 24 postsecondarystate-approved programs in 12 regional vocational technical high schools
* Prepares youth and adults for a wide range of careers, particularly in high-skill, high-wage, high-demand fields
* Offers the exploration of a variety of CVTE programs
* Provides paid or unpaid work-based learning experiences
* 125+ different industry credentials available for students
* OSHA-10, Certified Nursing Assistant, Automotive Service Excellence, First Aid
* Graduates of state-approved programs are eligible for college credit at community colleges – at no additional cost to them
* More than half attend postsecondary institutions