# **Benefits of CTE**

## Industry Certifications: Graduation Requirements

CERTIFIED All Taylor County CTE programs lead to industry certifications. The industry certifications listed below can be substituted for up to two math/and or 1 science credit toward high school graduation.

- Certified EKG Technician
- MOS (Microsoft) Bundle
- MOS (Microsoft) Specialist
- Agritechnology Specialist Certification
- Agriculture Associate Certification
- ServSafe
- Electronic Technology Associate

Industry Certifications: Articulated Postsecondary Credit

<u>CTE COLLEGE CREDIT</u> All of the certifications listed above articulate to postsecondary state college AAS/AS degree programs. All listed certifications articulate a minimum of 3 college credits which represents a savings of \$303.00. Articulated credit saves students time and money! For more information visit: http://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/career-technical-eduagreements/industry-certification.stml

### Dual Enrollment @ BBTC

DUAL PC CREDIT High school is the only time that students can earn free college tuition. Students with a 2.0 GPA can dual enroll at BBTC free of charge. Dual enrollment allows high school students to earn a CTE postsecondary certificate faster (sometimes while still in high school). Students can enroll for as many hours available in their schedule. A student enrolled for 4 hours a day would represent a cost savings of \$2400.00 in technical college costs.



#### Bright Futures Scholarships - Vocational Gold Seal & Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars

High school students who take three or more courses in a single CTE program and who meet the criteria below are eligible for the **Gold Seal Scholarship**. Students who earn a minimum of 5 postsecondary credit hours through the attainment of industry certifications and complete 30 service hours are eligible for the Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award.

- Achieve the required weighted minimum 3.0 GPA in the non-elective high school courses:
- Achieve the required minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA in the career education courses;
- Achieve the required minimum score on the ACT<sup>®</sup>, SAT<sup>®</sup>, or Florida Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (P.E.R.T.) exams (see table below); and
- Complete 30 service hours.

| Exam Type  | Sub-test                  | Required Score |
|--|---------------------------|----------------|
| ACT <sup>®</sup>                                   | Reading                   | 19             |
|  | English                   | 17             |
|  | Mathematics               | 19             |
| (Prior to March 1, 2016)                           | Critical Reading          | 440            |
|  | Mathematics               | 440            |
| SAT <sup>®</sup><br>(March 1, 2016 and thereafter) | Reading Test              | 24             |
|  | Writing and Language Test | 25             |
|  | Math Test                 | 24             |
| P.E.R.T.<br>(Only applies to the GSV Scholarship)  | Reading                   | 106            |
|  | Writing                   | 103            |
|  | Mathematics               | 114            |

## Scholarship pays 100% of program of study up to 72 credit hours in AS, AAS, CCC or **Career Certificate Programs**

#### For more information please visit:

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