



New Credential Selection Process (Vendor/Employer)



The process for adding a new credential is carried out through the [Career Pathways Grants](#) (CPG). Eligible Carl D. Perkins subrecipients (secondary or postsecondary institutions) work with employers to identify the credentials utilized to hire or promote for high-skill, high-wage, in-demand occupations and then align those credentials to state CTE program standards/competencies to ensure aligned, high quality CTE programs of study.

The state-approved credential selection process in Michigan does not involve a direct application from vendors or employers. Interested parties should work with an eligible Carl D. Perkins subrecipient, as outlined in [the New Credential Selection Process](#) for schools. View a list of [currently approved credentials](#).

Credentials approved for Perkins reporting must meet specific criteria. The [Learning that Works Resource Center](#) offers many national resources on industry-recognized credentials, such as:

- [Credentials of Value](#)
- [Measuring Program Quality Credentials](#)

Vendors are encouraged to attend the [Michigan Career Education Conference](#) as an [exhibitor](#) to showcase curriculum or credentials of value. Please direct questions regarding the conference to [Candace Vinson](#), MDE Education Consultant and Conference Chair.

For more information about CTE programs in Michigan, or to contact a local CTE Director, visit the [Career and Technical Education](#) page on MiSchoolData.org.

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