

## Terms and Acronyms Used in the Career Technical Education World

A/B/C/D/E/F/G/H/I/J/K/L/M/N/O/P/Q/R/S/T/U/V/W/X  
Y/Z

Term	Definition
<b>A</b>	
AACC	American Association of Community Colleges
AACU	Association of American Colleges and Universities
A.A.S.	Associate of Applied Science
AASA	American Association of School Administrators
AB	Assembly Bill
ABE	Adult Basic Education
ACA	American Counseling Association
ACI	Academic and Career Integration
ACRN	America's Career Resource Network
ACT	American College Testing
ACTE	Association for Career and Technical Education
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADP	America Diploma Project
AERA	American Educational Research Association
AFNR	Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources
AFT	American Federation of Teachers
AMO	Annual Measureable Objectives
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
AP	Advanced Placement
ASE	Automotive Service Excellence
AYES	Automotive Youth Educational System
AYP	Adequate Yearly Progress
AYPF	American Youth Policy Forum
<b>B</b>	
BEP	Basic Education Program
BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs
BPA	Business Professionals of America
BLS	Bureau of Labor Statistics

<b>C</b>	
CAR	Consolidated Annual Report
CCCS	Colorado Community College System
CCSSO	Council of Chief State School Officers
CEF	Committee for Educational Funding
CFILD	Curriculum Frameworks and Instructional Leadership Division
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CFS	Consumer and Family Studies
CIP	Classification of Instructional Programs
CIP 2000	The purpose of the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) is to provide a taxonomic scheme that will support the accurate tracking, assessment, and reporting of fields of study and program completions activity. CIP was originally developed by the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) in 1980, with revisions occurring in 1985 and 1990. The 2000 edition (CIP-2000) is the third revision of the taxonomy and presents an updated taxonomy of instructional program classifications and descriptions. <a href="http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2002/cip2000/">http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2002/cip2000/</a>
Cisco	Cisco Systems, a corporate name
COEI	Center for Occupational and Employment Information
CORD	Center for Occupational Research and Development
CTC	Commission on Teacher Credentialing
CTE	Career Technical Education
CTSO	Career Technical Student Organization
CQ	Congressional Quarterly
<b>D</b>	
D.A.T.E.	Division of Academic and Technical Education
DECA	Distributive Education Clubs of America (now just called DECA)
DOE	Department of Education
DOL	U.S. Department of Labor
DQI	Data Quality Institute
<b>E</b>	
EC	Education Code

ECS	Education Commission of the States
EDGAR	Education Department General Administrative Regulations
Eligible Agency	<i>The term 'eligible agency' means a <b>State board</b> designated or created consistent with State law as the sole State agency responsible for the administration, or the supervision of the administration, of career and technical education in the State.</i>
EL or ELL	English Language Learner
EPINET	Education Personnel Information Network
ERIC	Educational Resources Information Center
ESEA	Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965
ESL	English as a second language
ETS	Educational Testing Service
<b>F</b>	
FAUPL	Final Agreed Upon Performance Levels
FBLA	Future Business Leaders of America
FCCLA	Family, Career and Community Leaders of America
FERPA	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
FFA	National FFA Organization (formerly Future Farmers of America)
<b>G</b>	
Gear Up	Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs
GED	General Educational Development
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GPA	Grade Point Average
GPS	Global Positioning Systems
<b>H</b>	
HOSA	Health Occupations Students of America
HOUSSE	High Objective Uniform State Standard of Evaluation
HSPA	High School Proficiency Assessment
HSTW	High Schools That Work
<b>I</b>	
IASA	Improving America's Schools Act of 1994

ICAP	Individual Career & Academic Plan
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IEP	Individualized Education Program
IES	Institute for Educational Statistics
ISBN	International Standard Book Number
ITEA	International Technology Education Association
<b>J</b>	
JD	Juris Doctor, law degree
<b>K</b>	
K-12	Kindergarten through grade 12
K and S	knowledge and skills
KUDER	KUDER is a registered trademark for the KUDER Career Planning System
<b>L</b>	
LAN	Local Area Network
LEA	Local educational agency
<b>M</b>	
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
<b>N</b>	
NACTEI	National Association for Career and Technical Education Information
NAF	National Academy Foundation
NAEP	National Assessment of Educational Progress
NAICS	North American Industry Classification System
NAPE	National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity
NASBE	National Association of State Boards of Education
NASDCTEc	National Association of State Directors of Career Technical Education Consortium
NASSP	National Association of Secondary School Principals
NAVE	National Assessment of Vocational Education
NBCT	National Board Certified Teacher
NCATE	National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
NCES	National Center for Educational Statistics
NCLB	No Child Left Behind
NCSDAE	National Council of State Directors of Adult

	Education
NCTEF	National Career Technical Education Foundation
NEA	National Education Association
NGA	National Governor's Association
NGO	Notice of Grant Opportunity
NCPN	National Career Pathways Network (formerly National Tech Prep Network)
NCRC	Nontraditional Career Resource Center
NMSA	National Middle School Association
NOCTI	National Occupational Competency Testing Institute
NRCCTE	National Research Center for Career and Technical Education
NRG	Non regulatory guidance
NSBA	National School Boards Association
NSF	National Science Foundation
NSSB	National Skills Standards Board
NSTWO	National School To Work Office
NSWG	Next Steps Work Group
NTPN	National Tech Prep Network
NWLC	National Women's Law Center
<b>O</b>	
O*NET	Occupation Information Network The O*NET system serves as the nation's primary source of occupational information, providing comprehensive information on key attributes and characteristics of workers and occupations. <a href="http://online.onetcenter.org/">http://online.onetcenter.org/</a>
OGM	Office of Grants Management
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
OVAE	Office of Vocational and Adult Education
OVTCIP	Office of Vocational-Technical, Career and Innovative Programs
<b>P</b>	
P-20	"P" in P-20 stands for preschool, and the "20" refers to a 20th year of education – with high school graduation at 12 years and an undergraduate college degree at 16.

PAS	National Postsecondary Agricultural Student Organization
PDF	Portable Document Format
Perkins IV	Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 2006
PLTW	Project Lead the Way
PIAP	Program Improvement Action Plan
PL	Public Law
PSAA	Public Schools Accountability Act
PTA	National Parent-Teacher Association
<b>R</b>	
RAS	Regional Accountability Specialist
ROC	Regional Occupational Center
RTF	Rich Text Format
RFP	Request for Proposal
<b>S</b>	
S-T-W	School to Work
SACS	Standardized Account Code Structure
SAT	Scholastic Achievement Test
SBE	State Board of Education
SBOE	State Board of Education
SCANS	Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills
SCCI	States' Career Clusters Initiative
SDE	State Department of Education
SEA	State Educational Agency
SETC	State Employment and Training Commission
SOC	Standard Occupational Classification
SREB	Southern Region Education Board
SSID	Statewide Student Identifier
STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
<b>T</b>	
2+2	Two years high school; two years postsecondary
TP	Tech Prep
TSA	Technology Student Association
<b>U</b>	
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDOE	U.S. Department of Education

<b>V</b>	
VEDS	Vocational Education Data System
VTE	Vocational Technical Education
VTECS	Formerly Vocational-Technical Education Consortium of the States, now called VTECS
<b>W</b>	
WIA	Workforce Investment Act
WIB	Workforce Investment Board
<b>Y</b>	
YTTW	Youth Transitions to Work
<b>Additional Resources:</b>	
<u>Tech Prep Glossary for Terms used</u>	Arizona resource
<u>Acronyms used in Michigan</u>	
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