Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education

- CTAE's mission is to prepare students for the global workplace through the provision of rigorous career courses and real world experiences, allowing students to build technical and other skills, and exposing students to a variety of potential career options.
- CTAE services in Georgia consist of a variety of courses and classroom settings, primarily funded through a weighted QBE category:
  - Current weight: 1.1907
  - FY 2016 QBE earnings for CTAE are currently estimated to be nearly $270 million
    - Driven by FTE enrollment count of approximately 70,000 equivalents
- Other major revenue streams include federal Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Act of 2006 (Perkins IV) funds
  - FY 2015 budget of over $45 million
    - Approximately half dedicated to the DOE Technology/Career Education program
      - Includes extended day/year, youth apprenticeship, vocational industry certification, and other programs
    - The other half directed to TCSG system as grants intended to provide high school students with CTAE opportunities in a postsecondary setting
    - Federal maintenance of effort requirements mandate the state spend at least as much as it spent in the previous fiscal year on CTAE activities
- CTAE courses are largely concentrated within the Career Clusters/Pathways courses offered to Georgia middle and high school students
  - Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources
  - Architecture and Construction
  - Arts, AV/Technology, and Communications
  - Business, Management, and Administration
  - Education and Training
  - Energy
  - Finance
  - Government and Public Administration
  - Health Science
  - Hospitality and Tourism
  - Human Services
  - Information Technology
  - Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security
  - Manufacturing
  - Marketing
  - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
  - Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics
- In some instances, CTAE students can earn postsecondary credits and/or technical certificates while enrolled in CTAE courses
  - One example is the Microsoft IT Academy program, which allows students to not only engage in coursework, but to also earn Microsoft certifications
- CTAE also includes ancillary programming such as JROTC