



# STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

**Date:** June 24, 2026  
**To:** Chief School Administrators with Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs  
**Route To:** CTE Directors and Supervisors  
**From:** Jordan Schiff, Ed.D., Assistant Commissioner  
Division of Teaching and Learning Services  
**Deadline:** August 1, 2026 (Survey)  
August 3, 2026 (NJSLEDS Data)

## Career and Technical Education (CTE) Student Placement Survey

This memorandum provides important guidance regarding CTE data reporting requirements, including the administration of the CTE Student Placement Survey. All secondary school districts with approved CTE programs are required to report CTE data annually through the New Jersey Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System (NJSLEDS) **CTE data submission**, which closes on **August 3, 2026**. It is important to note that the NJSLEDS CTE data submission does not include student placement data due to differences in data-collection timelines.

In accordance with federal Perkins V requirements, placement data must be collected during the second quarter after students exit secondary education, ensuring that districts capture accurate information on students' postsecondary outcomes. As a result of this federally defined timeline, reporting cycles for placement data and annual CTE data submissions differ. CTE students who graduated or otherwise exited high school during the 2024–25 school year are included in the placement survey, whereas the current NJSLEDS CTE data submission pertains to the 2025–26 school year.

The placement survey, required under Perkins V legislation, is designed to determine whether the identified students were employed, serving in the military, enrolled in postsecondary education or advanced training, participated in a service program funded under Title I of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12511 et seq.), volunteered as described in Section 5(a) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504(a)), or unemployed during the second quarter (October through December 2025) after exiting high school.

The survey data must be submitted through the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) [Homeroom](#) website, under the subject heading of CTE (Secondary and Adult). The link will open a district login window. If a school district reported senior concentrators and completers from the previous school year (2024-25), a secondary placement survey file will be available for download. After completing the survey, districts must upload the file to the NJDOE Homeroom website for submission. **The deadline to submit the placement survey is August 1, 2026.**

The annual Perkins Performance Report for the FY2028 Perkins Local Grant Application will include data collected from this placement survey. Additionally, the Department will report this data to the United States Department of Education (USED) in the Perkins Consolidated Annual Report (CAR).

Failing to respond to the placement survey or submitting it with "unknown" for all student data may negatively affect the Perkins "Placement" performance indicator (3S1), potentially resulting in the district or program failing to meet the 3S1 performance target.

For technical assistance, please email Shinlan Liu, Data Coordinator, at [shinlan.liu@doe.nj.gov](mailto:shinlan.liu@doe.nj.gov) before submitting the district's placement survey data file. To ensure data security, please refrain from submitting data via email. Instead, use the secure NJDOE Homeroom web portal referenced above.