



State of New Jersey  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Adoption Resolution  
February 7, 2024

**Resolution in Recognition of Career and Technical Education Month in New Jersey**

**Whereas**, the month of February 2024 has been designated nationally as Career and Technical Education Month<sup>®</sup> by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

**Whereas**, teachers, administrators and school counselors involved in career and technical education help more than 137,608 secondary and postsecondary students in New Jersey pursue a range of career pathways; and

**Whereas**, career and technical education programs incorporate rigorous academic core coupled with high-level technical curriculum to deliver an opportunity for students to earn college credit, industry-valued credentials, and work-based learning to be college and career ready; and

**Whereas**, career and technical education prepares New Jerseyans for the jobs that exist today, and equips them with the skills employers will need in the future; and

**Whereas**, the New Jersey Department of Education has continued to implement a variety of career and technical education initiatives including the Building Capacity for Career Pathways initiative and the Middle Grades Career Awareness and Exploration Program; and

**Whereas**, career and technical education offers opportunities for student leadership experiences supporting personal and professional growth through seven state career and technical student organizations currently serving approximately 41,876 students in New Jersey through membership in Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA); National FFA (formerly known as Future Farmers of America) Organization; Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA); DECA, an Association of Marketing Students; Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA); Technology Student Association (TSA); and SkillsUSA; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, that the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Acting Commissioner of Education acknowledge the potential of career and technical education to fully prepare our students for postsecondary success and hereby recognize February 2024 as Career and Technical Education Month in New Jersey.

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Christopher Huber, Acting Commissioner  
Acting Secretary, N.J. State Board of Education

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Kathy Goldenberg, President  
N.J. State Board of Education