

Polk County CTE At-a-Glance: Preparing Students for Future Success



Core Success Metrics

> 98.56%

Graduation Rate

The CTE graduation rate exceeds both the state goal (97.76%) and the local benchmark.

762

Credentials Earned

Total number of industry recognized credentials earned by students to bolster their resumes and career readiness.

> 96.87%

Postsecondary Placement

The rate of students successfully transitioning to college, military, or employment exceeds the local benchmark.

WorkKeys Performance (2025-2026)

93% Achieve Medallion Status

Nearly all participating students demonstrated essential workplace readiness through the ACT WorkKeys assessments.

WorkKeys Award Levels

	Platinum: 15 Medallions awarded to students based on their workplace skill levels.		Gold: 19 Medallions awarded to students based on their workplace skill levels.
	Silver: 27 Medallions awarded to students based on their workplace skill levels.		Bronze: 27 Medallions awarded to students based on their workplace skill levels.

Academic Proficiency

Reading Proficiency

52.9% — State Goal: 38.82%

Polk County CTE concentrators significantly outperformed the state goal.

Mathematics Proficiency

36.8% — State Goal: 34.02%

Students exceeded the state proficiency goal in math assessments.

Science Proficiency

47.4% — State Goal: 44.92%

Science performance remains strong, surpassing the state goal.

Participation & Diversity

619 | **141**

Participants | **Concentrators**

High school engagement remains high, with students reaching "Concentrator" status by completing a specialized program of study.

22.03%

Non-Traditional Enrollment

A significant portion of students are pursuing career paths traditionally underrepresented by their gender.

What is a CTE Concentrator?

A student who completes at least two CTE courses in a single program of study, including at least one level-two (concentrator level) course.

Polk County CTE At-a-Glance (Updated: June 8, 2026)

Key Success Metrics

- **Graduation Rate:** The rate exceeds the state goal of 97.76% and the local benchmark of 98.56%. Official unmasked data has not been released at this time.
- **Credentials Earned:** 762 total credentials have been earned by students.
- **Postsecondary Placement:** The rate exceeds the state goal of 96.94% and the local benchmark of 96.87%. Official unmasked data has not been released at this time.

Academic Proficiency & Program Quality

Polk County CTE concentrators exceeded state goals for performance in all areas:

- **Reading/Language Arts:** 52.9% (State Goal: 38.82%).
- **Mathematics:** 36.8% (State Goal: 34.02%).
- **Science:** 47.4% (State Goal: 44.92%).
- **State CTE Assessments:** 87.95% (State Goal: 74.14%).
- **Credential Attainment:** 83.1% of students earned recognized postsecondary credentials (State Goal: 49.51%).

WorkKeys Performance (2025-2026 SY)

93% of participating students achieved medallion status, demonstrating essential workplace readiness.

- **Platinum:** 15
- **Gold:** 19
- **Silver:** 27
- **Bronze:** 27

Participation & Enrollment

- **High School Engagement:** 619 unduplicated students (1,332 duplicated), including 141 concentrators.
- **Middle School Engagement:** 285 unduplicated students (769 duplicated).
- **Non-Traditional Enrollment:** 22.03% of students are enrolled in programs non-traditional for their gender.