

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Business, industry, and community leaders perform an essential role in promoting the benefits of technical career fields for our graduates.

Career and Technical Education Advisory Committee volunteers help plan the training for our future workforce.

The guidance and advice of local advisory committee members help ensure students are learning the most current skills needed in the workplace.

Bringing employers and educators together on Advisory Committees provides a format for sharing

*...Bringing the business community  
and education together*

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# Advisory Committees



**CTE**  
Preparing Students to be College and  
Career Ready



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# WHAT IS AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE?

## Career and Technical Education Advisory Committees

Career and Technical Education (CTE) advisory committees advise, assist and provide support and advocacy for quality CTE programs. Advisory committee volunteers have the opportunity to learn more about the CTE program, and the instructors are able to increase their understanding of the job market, employers' needs and community opportunities.

### CTE Advisory Committees:

- Provide information to update, modify, expand, and improve the quality of programs.
- Support and strengthen the partnerships between business, labor, the community, and education.
- Make recommendations that will strengthen and expand the CTE curriculum, and provide assistance in implementing these recommendations.
- Identify and validate academic and occupational competencies, determining priorities, and review and evaluate programs.
- Communicate long-term goals and objectives of the CTE programs to students, parents, employers and the community.

## General Advisory

A general advisory council (GAC) provides direction and guidance to administrators and teachers for the entire Career and Technical Education program offered by a district. This type of advisory group is usually formed at the secondary level to serve skills centers and high schools.



## Program Specific Advisory

A **program-specific advisory committee** focuses on providing direction for a specific CTE program within a high school or skills center.

Several schools can have local advisory committees serving their content area for the purpose of building relationships and partnerships with the CTE teacher and students.

## What is the Time Commitment?

What is expected of a CTE Advisory Committee volunteer?

- General advisory committees meet 2-3 times per year for 1-2 hours each time during the school year.
- Program specific advisory committees may be combined with the general advisory meetings or may be held at another time.
- Meetings for both general and program-specific advisories are often in the late afternoon or evening; after school and when many business people are available.



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If you are interested in volunteering for your local advisory committee, contact your local high school or skills center Career and Technical Education Director.