

CTE Programs at PUSD

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I am thrilled to be in my second year as Career and Technical Education Director. I believe we are PUSD #1 for many reasons: We are a highly-rated, proven, data driven district; we are innovative and have an eye on the future. We are constantly working to bring new programs that encourage deep level learning and critical thinking, and we strive to incorporate technologies to our campuses to help learners prepare for college and careers. The incredible teachers and supportive administration make these opportunities happen by encouraging the inclusive culture at PHS. The many options and offerings PUSD provides are remarkable. This year we have 12 dynamic CTE programs with 3 brand new board approved offerings for students on campus at Prescott High School:

1. Business Management
- 2. Early Childhood Education *new offering in 24-25**
3. Software and App Design
4. Sports Medicine
5. Film & TV
6. Digital Communications
7. Fashion Design and Merchandising
8. Auto Technologies
9. Cybersecurity and Networking
10. Air Force JROTC
- 11. Stagecraft *new offering in 24-25**
- 12. Law and Public Safety *new offering in 24-25**

In addition to these 12 CTE programs on our PHS campus, more than 15 additional programs are available to our students through our partnership with Yavapai College and Mountain Institute Career and Technical District (MICTED). These programs include Aviation, Medical Assisting, Construction Trades, Auto Body Repair, Welding, Agricultural Sciences, Culinary Arts, Welding, and many more!

I like to be creative and manage projects that benefit PUSD students and families and solve problems along the way. On December 6, 2024, we worked with Dignity Health/YRMC representatives to create a career exploration event for students interested in healthcare careers. Students met with many different departments at Dignity Health and gained insight into various careers available here in Prescott. This event was held from 8-11a in the Dome Gym at PHS.

In my role as CTE director, I enjoy helping students find career paths that benefit them and the community, there so many CTE opportunities that are available to students for free! We would love to keep our PHS graduates here in the area and be equipped with the necessary skills and certificates to secure employment and have high earning potential in their careers. CTE offers students a low-risk opportunity to learn skills, develop professionalism, and earn industry certificates that lead to steady employment and fill critical and high demand professional needs for our community.