

# UTAH CTE SCHOLARSHIP Packet 2019-2020

It's that time of year again. **The CTE Scholarships are LIVE!** You may access the scholarship application at <https://www.schools.utah.gov/cte/resources/scholarshipsawards?mid=3119&tid=0>. We have a total of **127 scholarships** to award to students who are a graduating senior or will be eligible to graduate before September 1, 2020! All applications will be submitted electronically using the Adobe Sign platform. Please pay special attention to the following items as you help students fill out this application. **MUST**

## COMPLETE ONLINE

- Pay close attention to the **Application Scoring and Preparation** tab. This information lets students know how the application is graded and what essay questions need to be answered during the application process. It would be proactive for students to type their answers to the essay questions in a Word document and save the document. When filling out the application, students can then copy/paste their answers into the application.
- Make sure students have all documents needed **prior** to filling out the application. Students will need to complete the application in one session, meaning they are not able to save their progress and finalize later. It would be wise if students had all documentation saved to a folder on the desktop or a storage device. This will allow for easy upload to the application. The documents required for the application are:
  - Letter of Recommendation from a CTE teacher
  - Letter of Recommendation from another teacher, counselor, administration, etc.
  - Signed, unofficial transcript with all CTE courses highlighted
  - All CTE skill certifications and industry certifications. These need to be scanned individually and uploaded separately.
- Please review the webinar from October 30, that talks about how to access the application and how to submit. You can review the webinar at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8AIJNQu-Gw4&t=49s>.
- All applications are due electronically on January 31, 2020. No application will be considering for review if submitted past this date.

# Application Scoring and Preparation

## Application Scoring

CTE scholarships are competitive. CTE scholarships awards are based on total points, and every point counts. Make every effort to respond to each prompt to the best of your ability. Distinguish yourself from your peers by highlighting your experiences that helped you prepare for college-level study in your chosen career.

Strong scores are usually the result of some degree of discussion and reflection prior to filling out the application. Your responses must be your original work. Consider developing a few rough drafts and having a parent, teacher, or school counselor review them and provide feedback prior to completing the scholarship application.

The highest scores are given to applicants whose responses contain multiple, directly related examples. The content of each response will strongly support the applicant's qualifications for a scholarship. Responses will be clearly written and concise. A professional tone and style will be evident in your writing. Content that is unstructured, disjointed, or contains pervasive errors in mechanics, usage, spelling, or grammar will not score well.

## Application Preparation

Prior to filling out the CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards application, please review the application questions that will require more consideration when filling out the application.

- Describe the Work-Based Learning (WBL) experience you had during high school (Grades 9-12).
- If you participated in a Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) during high school, explain what leadership and workplace skills you developed and explain how it benefited you in your career preparation. For example, workplace skills could include communication, problem solving, teamwork, critical thinking, dependability, accountability, etc.
- What other leadership, citizenship, and/or service experiences did you participate in during high school (Grades 9-12)?
- Outline and discuss your educational and occupational goals. Highlight the CTE training this scholarship will provide you if you receive a CTE Scholarship and Tuition Award.
- Reflecting on your high school years (Grades 9-12), how did CTE courses you completed prepare you for life after high school? What advantages did they provide for your college and career plans?
- What advice would you offer to future students about taking CTE courses during high school?
- Was there an educator (teacher, counselor, administrator) who was especially influential in your career choice? If so, who? What did they do to help you?

## Overview and Timeline

### Overview

The Career and Technical Education (CTE) Scholarships and Tuition Awards are for outstanding CTE students in Utah. The scholarships/awards are sponsored by the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) with funds provided by participating higher education institutions. The award amount varies by institution. Below is the list of participating institutions, the number of scholarships/awards offered, and the amount of the scholarship/award.

**Bridgerland Technical College**

2 Scholarships/Awards

Waives tuition up to \$1,000. Books, tools, and other fees not included.

**Davis Technical College**

10 Scholarships/Awards

Up to \$1,500 toward tuition and student fees.

**Dixie Technical College**

2 Scholarships/Awards

Full tuition for one (1) year.

**Mountainland Technical College**

18 Scholarships/Awards

Tuition only.

**Ogden-Weber Technical College**

8 Scholarships/Awards

One (1) year tuition **or** \$1,800, whichever is exhausted first.

**Southwest Technical College**

3 Scholarships/Awards

Tuition waiver up to \$1,000.

**Tooele Technical College**

6 Scholarships/Awards

\$500 towards tuition and student fees.

**Uintah Basin Technical College**

7 Scholarships/Awards

Full tuition scholarship for one calendar year.

**Dixie State University**

4 Scholarships/Awards

Full tuition for one (1) year.

**Salt Lake Community College**

20 Scholarships/Awards

Full tuition for one (1) year.

**Snow College, Richfield**

2 Scholarships/Awards  
\$1000 tuition waiver.

**Southern Utah University**

1 Scholarship/Award  
Full tuition for one (1) year.

**Utah State University, Blanding**

2 Scholarships/Awards  
\$1,000 tuition (\$500 for two semesters).

**Utah State University, Eastern**

13 Scholarships/Awards  
Full tuition. Books, tools, and other fees not included.

**Utah State University, Moab**

1 Scholarship/Award  
\$2,000 tuition (\$1,000 one semester with renewal for next semester).

**Utah Valley University**

20 Scholarships/Awards  
\$1,000 per semester (2 semesters).

**Weber State University**

8 Scholarships/Awards  
\$2,000 (\$1,000 for fall, \$1,000 for spring).

Please note:

- CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards are only offered to the higher education institutions listed above.
- The CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards may only be applied toward future programs and not toward any expense incurred as a high school student.
- Each scholarship/award has different criteria for what the scholarship/award can be used. Please refer to the [Institution Criteria Frequently Asked Questions](#) for detailed information.
- Applicants should work with their high school counselor and a CTE teacher when completing the application.
- Applicants should follow directions on the CTE Scholarship and Tuition Awards website with exactness to ensure the application is accepted and duly considered.

## Timeline

**Friday, November 1, 2019**

CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards Application Goes Live

**Friday, January 31, 2020**

CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards Application Due to USBE

**March 2020**

CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards Recipients/Winners Notified by E-mail provided on scholarship application.

Note: If you do not receive an award notice by Monday, April 20, 2020, you are not a recipient of a

scholarship.

**Tuesday, April 21, 2020**

CTE Scholarships and Tuition Awards Recipient Banquet

Salt Lake Community College, Redwood Campus, Student Center Oak Room, Salt Lake City, Utah

[Salt Lake Community College Map\(PDF File\)](#)

## Qualifications and Application

Before beginning the 2020 CTE Scholarship and Tuition Awards Application, all applicants need to meet all the eligibility qualifications and have the following documentation and information ready to upload. You must confirm each of the eligibility qualifications and documentation requirements to enable the 2020 CTE Scholarship and Tuition Awards Application.

### Eligibility Qualifications

- Lawfully present in the United States and must be a current Utah resident.
- A high school senior, currently enrolled in a Utah public secondary school.
- Eligible to graduate from a Utah public secondary school before September 1, 2020.
- Applicant must verify the CTE program he/she wants to enroll in is offered at the selected institutions. Please refer to the [Institution Criteria Frequently Asked Questions](#) for detailed information.
- The applicant may accept other private scholarships. However, be aware that at some participating institutions, applicants cannot accept a CTE Scholarship and Tuition Award and another scholarship from the same institution.

### Documentation Requirements

[Scholarships and Tuition Award Qualifications and Application Form](#)

## Scholarships and Tuition Awards

### Qualifications and Application Form Checklist:

Letter of recommendation from CTE teacher.

Letter of recommendation from another teacher, high school counselor, principal, or community person who knows your strengths and abilities.

Signed, unofficial transcript with all CTE courses highlighted.

All industry and CTE Skill Certificates earned.

[Apply Now](#) Disabled

If you have any questions regarding the CTE scholarship and tuition awards, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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