

# Defining Career & Technical Education

Grades: 9, 10,11,12

Prerequisites:

Career Assessments

# **Lesson Goal**

The goal of this lesson is to help students understand the difference between traditional college programs and career and technical education opportunities that do not require a four-year degree. This lesson defines career and technical educational opportunities and teaches students how to compare CTE to four-year programs.

### What should students learn from the lesson?

- Define and understand the importance of career and technical education
- Define education programs including Applied Science, Diplomas, and Certificates
- Available resources for career research and education assistance

## What is the in-class activity?

- Watch introductory video
- Compare four-year and technical academic plans.
- Explore levels of training and career opportunities through CTE
- Match students with CTE programs according to interests

## What is the takeaway for students?

- Students will know about Career and Technical Education programs and how to apply.
- Students will be matched with potential CTE programs leading to careers of interest.
- Students will know about scholarship programs and resources that help with CTE studies.

#### Materials Needed:

- CTE Match Up Worksheet
- Computer lab or device with Internet
- Computer/Projector