

Student-Earned Industry Credentials

The 2012 General Assembly passed, and the Governor signed into law, HB 1061 and SB 489, to strengthen postsecondary education and workplace readiness opportunities for all students. The legislation says, in part:

“Beginning with first-time ninth grade students in the 2013-2014 school year, requirements for the standard diploma shall include a requirement to earn a career and technical education credential that has been approved by the Board, that could include, but not be limited to, the successful completion of an industry certification, a state licensure examination, a national occupational competency assessment, or the Virginia workplace readiness skills assessment.”

To meet this graduation requirement all students will have the opportunity to take the wise Financial Literacy Certification in the [Economics and Personal Finance](#) course.

To earn an industry credential students must successfully complete the required CTE course and pass the related industry certification exam. Earning a certification provides industry recognized proof that the student has achieved a professional skill level in that area and is prepared for entry-level career-related responsibilities and/or post-secondary education.

Students who earn industry certifications in other CTE courses may be able to use the additional certification as their student selected verified credit. Students may also be eligible for the Career and Technical Education Seal and/or Advanced Math Seal on their high school diploma, if they meet all the requirements for these seals. Please see your Counselor for details.

The table below shows additional CTE Credentials students may be able to earn in other CTE courses.

Career & Technical Education Course	Certification	CTE Credit	CTE Seal	Math Seal
Business & Information Technology				
Advanced Computer Information Systems II	Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS)	*	*	
Computer Information Systems I	Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS)	*	*	
Family and Consumer Science				
Culinary Arts II	NOCTI: Cook II	*	*	
Culinary Arts II	National Restaurant Association: ServSafe	*	*	
Dual Enrollment Advanced Early Childhood Education and Services II	NOCTI: Early Childhood Education	*	*	
Teachers for Tomorrow	Para Pro	*	*	
Health and Medical Science				
Nurse Aide I	Virginia Board of Nursing: Certified Nurse Aide	*	*	
Marketing				
Advanced Marketing II	National Retail Federation: Customer Service	*	*	
Advanced Fashion Marketing II	National Retail Federation: Customer Service	*	*	
ROTC				
JROTC I-III	ASVAB	*	*	
Technology Education				
Electronics Systems II	NOCTI: Electronics Technology	*	*	
Engineering Analysis and Applications II (Robotics)	REC: Pre-Engineering or Robotics	*	*	
Trade and Industry				

Dual Enrollment Automotive Technology II	Automotive Service Exam (ASE)	•	•	
Dual Enrollment Automotive Technology III	Automotive Service Exam (ASE)	•	•	
Networking Hardware Operations I and II	NOCTI: Computer Networking	•	•	•
Cosmetology II	Virginia Board of Cosmetology: Cosmetology License	•	•	