

The Connected Path:

A Shared Vision for Opportunity and Empowerment Through Career Technical Education

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- Published in March 2021 with over 30 national supporters
- Pushed the field to remove barriers like geographical location and siloed systems

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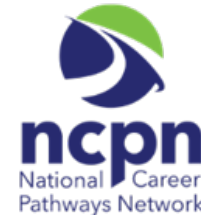


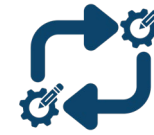
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- Engaged partner organizations and members to synthesize and prioritize the ideas, strategies, and goals of the Summit.

A SHARED VISION





Principle 1: Each learner engages in a coherent CTE system codesigned by education and industry.



Principle 2: Each learner participates in a CTE system that is transparent and accountable to all partners.



Principle 3: Each learner experiences a learning journey that seamlessly integrates CTE and core academics.



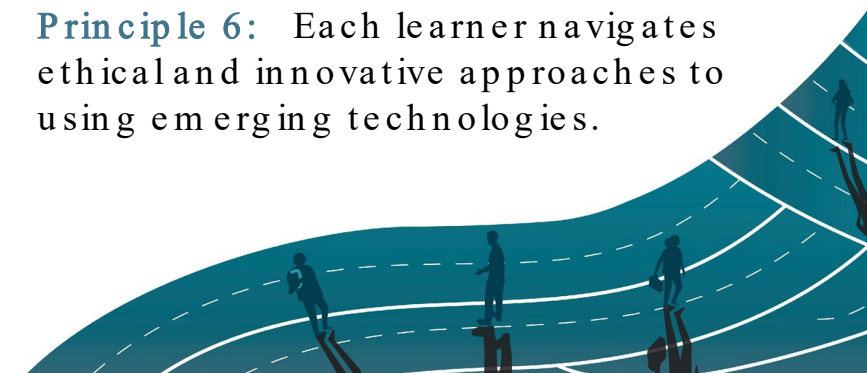
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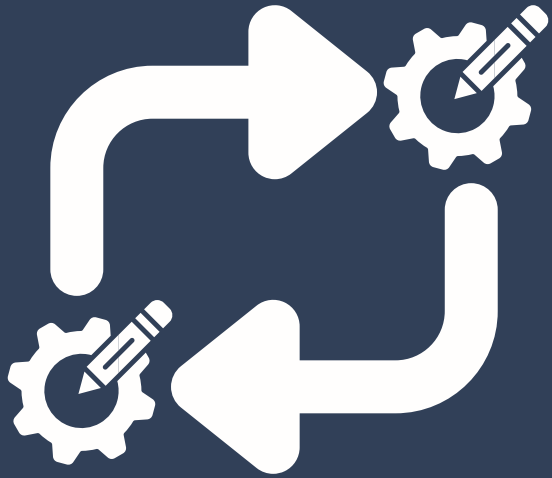


Principle 5: Each learner develops a sense of empowerment and belonging through CTE.



Principle 6: Each learner navigates ethical and innovative approaches to using emerging technologies.





PRINCIPLE 1

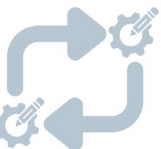
CODESIGNED SYSTEMS

Each learner engages in a coherent CTE system codesigned by education and industry.



To achieve this future, we must:

- Develop an aligned statewide talent strategy;
- Standardize a common language across partners; and
- Organize employer partners to provide a collective voice.





PRINCIPLE 2

TRANSPARENCY & ACCOUNTABILITY

Each learner participates in a CTE system that is transparent and accountable to all partners.



To achieve this future, we must:

- Design and employ a data strategy that centers outcomes;
- Improve the ability of data to drive decisions and support shared priorities; and
- Make data publicly available and understandable.





PRINCIPLE 3

INTEGRATED EXPERIENCES

Each learner experiences a learning journey that seamlessly integrates CTE and core academics.



To achieve this future, we must:

- Dismantle the silos between technical education and core academic subjects;
- Equip every learner with transferable career readiness skills; and
- Expand and strengthen work-based learning, career exploration, and career advising for all learners.





PRINCIPLE 4

PERSONALIZED & FLEXIBLE PATHWAYS

Each learner has access to personalized and flexible pathways.

To achieve this future, we must:

- Modernize program design to allow for more learner choice;
- Strengthen the CTE workforce by investing in professional development and instructor credentialing; and
- Recognize and signal skills and competencies in an industry-aligned way.





PRINCIPLE 5

EMPOWERMENT & BELONGING

Each learner develops a sense of empowerment and belonging through CTE.



To achieve this future, we must:

- Expose learners to experiences that build social capital and self-efficacy;
- Fully fund wraparound supports and incorporate them into CTE experiences; and
- Partner with families and learners to shape the educational experience.





PRINCIPLE 6

HARNESSING TECHNOLOGY

Each learner navigates ethical and innovative approaches to using emerging technologies.



To achieve this future, we must:

- Define a learner's rights and responsibilities for the use of emerging technology;
- Expand opportunities to build mastery of emerging technologies as identified by industry; and
- Leverage technology as a tool to support personalization, targeted interventions, and curricular enhancements.

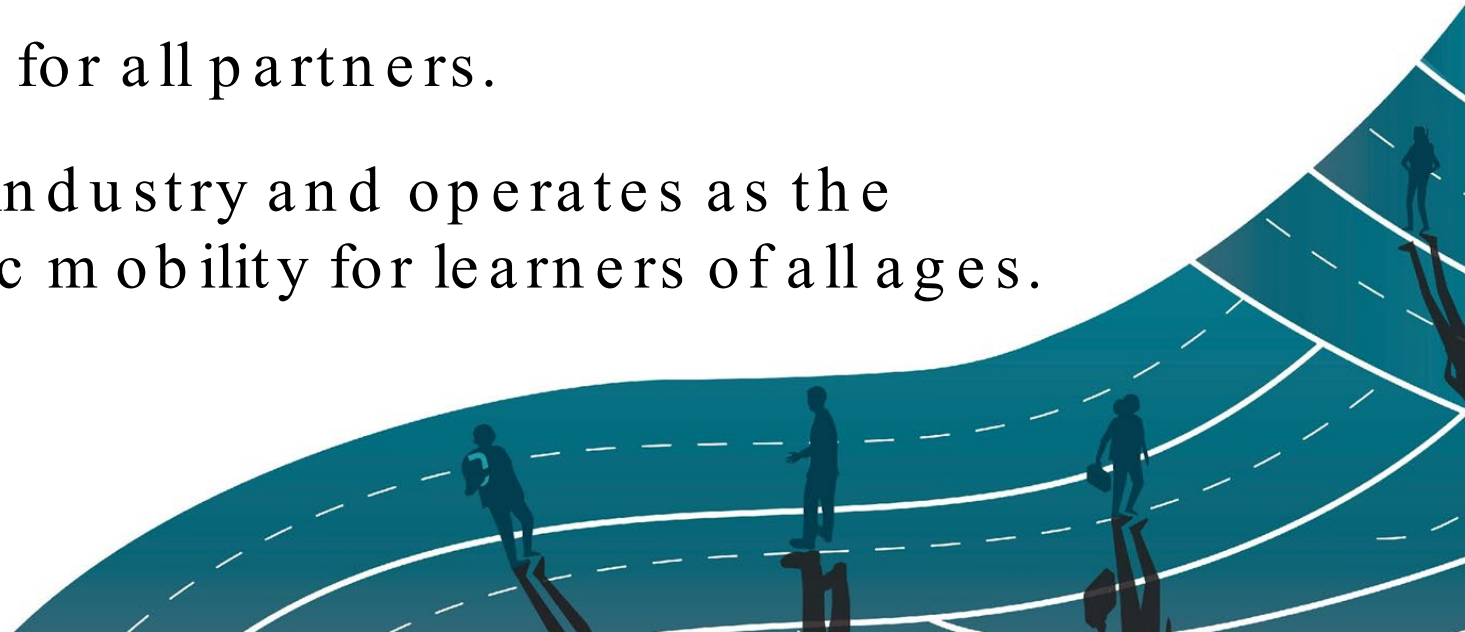


CALL TO ACTION

We must all work together to design and champion a connected career readiness ecosystem that:

- centers learner experience;
- reimagines partnership with industry;
- leverages technology; and
- strengthens outcomes for all partners.

CTE bridges education and industry and operates as the connected path to economic mobility for learners of all ages.



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