

## **2016-2017 Program of Study Information**

Tennessee's Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs of Study are meant to provide a relevant framework of industry-aligned, rigorous courses that progress a student in knowledge and skills year over year. They also provide invaluable opportunities for students to experience a subject they are passionate about and explore interests that could lead to postsecondary learning and future career paths. These sequenced courses also reflect and support the three credit "elective focus" requirement for graduation. Level one courses are most often taken by students in ninth grade; however, districts may make scheduling decisions that work best for their communities and students.

To become a concentrator in CTE and to fulfill the elective focus requirement, a student must earn three credits in a Program of Study or a Career Cluster. Courses in a Career Cluster include those listed as part of a Program of Study, as well as courses that are identified as cluster electives (listed, where applicable, at the end of each Career Cluster).