

# Discover the Technology Student Association



Are you interested in ensuring that students are college and career ready? Do you want to prepare students for future STEM careers like engineering, cybersecurity, and software development, to name a few? Do you want the ability for students to apply academic and technical skills in authentic career situations? TSA can help develop and improve the quality of your CTE program and achieve these goals.

TSA is a national, non-profit organization of high school and middle school student members who are engaged in STEM. Since TSA was chartered in 1978, over 5,000,000 members have participated through competitions, intracurricular activities, leadership opportunities, and community service.

TSA is a nationally recognized Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO). TSA provides rules and guidelines for more than 70 middle school and high school competitions. All TSA competitions are aligned with STEM standards, 21st century leadership skills, and the U.S. Department of Education's National Career Clusters Framework®. TSA competitions are categorized by career pathways in:

- Architecture and Construction Technology
- Communications Technology
- Computer Science and Information Technology
- Leadership
- Manufacturing and Transportation Technology
- STEM (General)
- STEM and the Arts
- Technology and Research.



According to the Association of Career and Technical Education, “One of the most critical components of strong CTE programs is student participation in related leadership organizations, known as Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSOs)”. As one of the **twelve elements of a high quality CTE program of study**, CTSO participation is key to success.

Consider taking your CTE program to the next level by introducing your students to the STEM opportunities offered by the Technology Student Association.

## LEARN MORE ABOUT TSA

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