

Insert Current Date

The Honorable FULL NAME
State ASSEMBLYMAN/ASSEMBLYWOMAN/SENATOR
City, State, Zip

Dear ASSEMBLYMAN/ASSEMBLYWOMAN/SENATOR LAST NAME

I am writing this letter in support of Career and Technical Education (CTE) and CERTAIN BILL. IDENTIFY IN GENERAL WHY YOU SUPPORT CTE AND/OR THE BILL. INSERT PERSONAL STORY/CONNECTION TO CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION. Beyond my personal connection to CTE, it also provides solid opportunities for students to excel. According to the (Your State's) Department of Education, CTE students' graduation rate for 2010 was (Your State's numbers) percent compared to the overall state rate of (Your State's numbers) percent. The dropout rate for CTE students was (Your State's numbers) percent in 2010, while the overall high school rate was (Your State's numbers) percent. In 2010, (Your State's numbers) percent of eleventh grade CTE students passed all areas of the High School Proficiency. This is compared to (Your State's numbers) percent of Non-CTE students. CTE is positive for all students.

It is because of my experiences with CTE and its success that I encourage you to support these students. Line item funding that is dispersed by program areas is needed to expand and improve CTE throughout the state. The programs also need to be accountable for any provisions received from the legislature. I support that it should be connected to the (Your State's) Career and Technical Education Skills for Employment and Lifelong Learning Initiative approved by the (Your State's) Board of Education.

Please feel free to contact me at PHONE or EMAIL, if you have any questions. Thank you for your time and service to (Your State's name.)

Sincerely

TYPED NAME
TITLE
ADDRESS
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EMAIL ADDRESS