Investing in Career & Technical Education Yields Big Returns

- In Washington, for every dollar spent on secondary CTE students, taxpayers receive a $9 return on investment.
- In Connecticut, every public dollar invested in Connecticut Community Colleges returns $16.40 over the course of the students’ careers. The state’s economy annually receives roughly $5 billion in income from the colleges and their students.
- In Tennessee, CTE overall returns $2 for every $1 invested. At the secondary level, CTE program completers account for over $13 million in annual tax revenues.
- In Salt Lake City, for every dollar put into CTE programs at Salt Lake Community College there will be a return of $4.30 to the community.
- In Wisconsin, taxpayers receive $12.20 in benefits for every dollar invested in the technical college system.
- Los Angeles County’s economy receives roughly $9.1 billion in annual income from Los Angeles Community College District and its graduates and students. Taxpayers see a 10 percent return of their investment in the LACCD.
- Every $1 tax invested in Houston Community College returns $6.60 to the community in economic benefits.
- Germanna Community College in Virginia contributes more than $16 million annually to the service region, as well as another $94 million annually from alumni income and avoided social costs.
- Graduates of Moore Norman Technology Center have grown Oklahoma’s economy by more than $450 million over four years.

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