

CTE Funding in Rhode Island

Supporting robust, equitable career education opportunities for all

1 One Formula

Established with the support and input of the CTE Funding Working Group and the CTE Board of Trustees, our approach to CTE funding applies the **same process** to all schools of choice - charters, state schools, and CTE programs. This formula factors in local per pupil costs, state share, and community wealth.

2 Fair Funding

The formula contains the same 7% hold-back as charters, limiting the risk for a sending LEA, but is also nimble and allows LEAs to maintain any existing local agreements

3 State Support

To account for high-cost programs, RIDE will establish cost benchmarks based on average program expenses under UCOA. The state will pay that CTE Categorical funding to the receiving district.

4 Transparency & Stability

This process goes into effect July 1, 2018, but will be phased in over a three-year period. In the absence of any mutually-developed local agreements, RIDE-approved CTE programs (receiving districts) will use this process to bill the district of resident (sending districts) for enrolling out-of-district students.

