



## Secondary CTE ACE Endorsement

### Applicant

Legal name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Requirements

**Content Knowledge:**

Hold a valid Colorado teacher or alternative teacher license with a secondary (7-12) or a special education generalist (ages 5-21) endorsement. *(Note to alternative candidates: If you do not successfully complete the alternative program, this CTE authorization will be expired as of the date you discontinue the program.)*

**AND** have a minimum of 8 semester hours of content-related postsecondary coursework from a regionally accredited institution verified on an official transcript as specified in the table below.

**Occupational Experience (applicants must meet the requirements in either option A or B):**

- A. 2,000 hours of verified occupational experience (non-teaching) in any occupational area within the last seven years. Experience will be considered that meet any of the following guidelines:
  - Paid experience in **any** occupational area
  - Unpaid experience in a CTE related field (non-teaching)

**OR**

- B. 3 years verified full-time teaching experience in an approved Alternative Cooperative Education program following the re-design standards within the last seven years (full-time is defined as 51% or more of a teaching schedule dedicated to teaching in the content area).

Required content coursework ( Minimum 2 semester hours required)	Coursework	Semester Hours
Differentiating instruction for diverse learners (ELL/ESL, cultural/ethnic diversity, special education, opportunity youth)		
Related content coursework (Courses in 2 out of 3 of the areas)	Coursework	Semester Hours
Developing work-based learning experiences with business/industry partners		
Assessment and evaluation for career planning and career development		
Postsecondary career/ college planning for students (transition, individual career and academic planning processes)		
<b>Total semester hours:</b>		
Up to a maximum of 6 semester hours of professional development may serve in lieu of "related content coursework" and must be documented within the application. (15 contact hours = 1 semester hour)		
<i>Note: Initial (three-year) CTE authorizations cannot be renewed and always include mandatory CTE coursework assigned at the time of issuance. You will be notified by CDE via email of all required coursework that is needed to move from a three-year to a five-year CTE authorization. Please do not enroll in coursework related to this CTE authorization until you have been notified by CDE.</i>		