Applicants must meet both content knowledge and occupational experience requirements.

Content Knowledge (Applications must A and B or C):

A. Hold a valid Colorado teacher license with a secondary (7-12) endorsement, principal license, administrator license (with either a school administrator or a special education director endorsement) or a valid Colorado CTE authorization. **AND**

B. Have completed postsecondary coursework from a regionally accredited college or university (as verified on an official transcript) in the areas listed in the table below. **OR**

C. Have completed the Colorado Community College System CTE Director program (certificate of completion required).

Occupational Experience:

1. 6,000 hours (three (3) years’ full-time) of verified occupational experience in a CTE role (instructor, specialist, counselor and/or administrator) or in another educational administrative capacity.

### Content coursework (Must have coursework in both areas)

| Administrative strategies for CTE programs (ex., Colorado State University EDCT 612) |
| Philosophy, organization of workforce education (ex., Colorado State University EDUC 601 or EDU 250) |

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### Total semester hours:

**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 advance to a professional (five-year) CTE authorization. Please do not enroll in coursework until you receive the notification from CDE.

Applicants who hold only a Colorado teacher license and/or CTE authorization will be required to take the following coursework to advance this initial (three-year) CTE Director authorization to a professional one:

1. School leadership, supervision and evaluation
2. School finance/resource management
3. Educational reform/policy/law

Applicants who hold a Colorado principal or administrator license will not be required to complete subsequent coursework and will be issued a professional CTE authorization upon determination of qualification.