

Dear Industry or Business Partner,

We're pleased to announce the launch of CTECS' first system-wide Career Center, aimed at enhancing industry exposure and career opportunities for students and graduates of Connecticut's technical high schools. Though physically housed at Vinal Technical High School, the backbone of this initiative is the virtual Career Center platform, where employers, students, graduates, and staff can directly connect and explore career opportunities. Of note, this platform replaces CTECS' existing job board.

Recently, employers were invited to register and post job openings on the virtual Career Center, with a significant number already participating! In early May, once the platform is well-populated by employers, it will be made available to students, staff, and alumni. More information will be shared with you then on how you can access the platform and utilize its features.

Some of the key benefits to staff include:

- Assistance with meeting employer engagement goals
- Access to a comprehensive, state-wide employer and alumni database
- An enhanced job board searchable by trade and location
- Regular email notifications of new jobs, employer registrations, and events directly to your inbox
- An easy method of inviting employers to PAC meetings, career fairs, and other events

Students will have access to the Career Center starting freshman year, enabling early career exploration and engagement with local companies. They can engage by liking and following company profiles, receiving instant notifications about job openings and events, and accessing features like mock interviews, resume builders, and industry mentorship.

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