

ILLINOIS BY THE NUMBERS

NCRC

The ACT® National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) is an industry-recognized, portable, research-based credential that certifies essential skills needed for workplace success.

The NCRC requires successful completion of three ACT® WorkKeys assessments which measure career readiness. The NCRC is aligned to **17,000 job titles** and used across all sectors of the economy.

102,130

NCRCs awarded 2013

- ★ Platinum: 2,153 (2.1%)
 - ★ Gold: 25,747 (25.2%)
 - ★ Silver: 48,917 (47.9%)
 - ★ Bronze: 25,313 (24.8%)
- ISBE 2013

Berner Food & Beverage, Inc. of Dakota, IL fully implemented ACT® NCRC testing in 2011. As a result, they achieved the following reductions in expenses:

Turnover rate in one department:

2009: 13 terminations at a cost of \$215,000
2010: 12 terminations at a cost of \$188,000
2011: 1 termination

Worker's Compensation reduction of 95% over 2 years:

2009: \$300,000
2011: \$15,000

Career & Technical Education (CTE) Student Enrollment*



27,796

Agricultural Education



108,138

Business, Marketing, and Computer Education



108,229

Family & Consumer Sciences



9,360

Health Science Technology



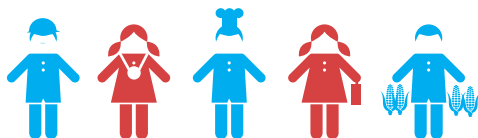
94,675

Technology & Engineering Education

**ISBE 2012-13 School Year Unduplicated Student Enrollment by CTE Content Area. Illinois public secondary enrollment was 608,132.*






See Illinois employers describe their success implementing NCRC at <http://tinyurl.com/k3mfcjv>. Employers on the video include Berner Food & Beverage, Bison Gear, Fabric Images, and Hoffer Plastics.

In the 2013-14 School Year, 34,106 students were members of state recognized Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO). <http://www.isbe.net/career/html/ctso.htm>
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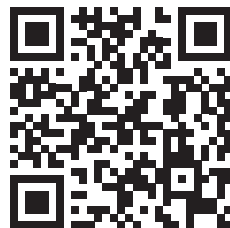
RISE ABOVE THE CROWD

Certificates = Jobs

	Certified Production Technician (CPTAE)	AutoCAD	A+ Certified IT Professional	Automotive Service (ASE) Student Certificate	National Institute for Metalworking Skills (NIMS)	OSHA Safety
	Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS)	C++ Programming	Adobe Certified Associate (ACA)	Apple Certified Pro	QuickBooks Certified User	IC3 Digital Literacy Certificate
	Food Service Sanitation Manager (FSSIM)	AAFCS Pre-Professional	ECE Credential Level 1	ProStart National Certificate of Achievement	Food Handler	OSHA General Industry
	Crop Advisor	Master Gardener	Landscape / Sports Field Technician	Animal Quality Assurance	Chemical Applicator	Veterinarian Medical Technician
	Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA)	Pharmacy Technician (CPhT)	OSHA Safety	EMS Responder	OSHA General Industry	Medical Assistant

“Credentials signal **real-world preparedness** to employers and postsecondary educators.”

Up to the Challenge: The Role of Career and Technical Education and 21st Century Skills in College and Career Readiness, 2010.



For more information and resources about CTE, and to access an electronic document of this infographic, go to <http://ilcte.org/fact-sheet/> or use the QR code.



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