

Frequently Asked Questions

Question: How do I contact a NC Career Development Coordinator (CDC)?

Answer: Reach out to the local Middle or High School directly, or to the CTE Central Office to inquire about the school or district CDC. District contacts can be found on the public NC Educational Directory and Demographical Information Exchange (EDDIE).

Question: What are the licensure requirements to become a NC Career Development Coordinator (CDC)?

Answer: The NC Career Development Coordinator licensure (747) is a NC Educator Add-on license. For information on specific education and or work requirements for this Add-on license, please reach out to the local school district licensure department, NCDPI Licensure, or the NC Career Development contact.

Question: What are some benefits of an intentional Career Development program?

Answer: Specific benefits of a Career Development program are:

- Preparation for the Future: As students' progress through their NC education, they need guidance on potential career paths and the skills required to succeed in those fields. A career development program helps students explore different options and make informed decisions about their future.
- Skill Development: Career development often include workshops, seminars, and training sessions aimed at developing durable employability skills such as communication, collaboration, critical thinking, and personal responsibility. These skills are valuable not only in the workplace but also in everyday life.
- Alignment with Academic Goals: By integrating career development activities into all curriculum, NC schools help students see the relevance of their academic studies to real-world careers. This alignment increases student engagement and motivation.
- 4. Job Readiness: A well-designed career development program equips students with the knowledge and resources needed to enter the workforce confidently. This may include resume writing, interview preparation, networking skills, and understanding workplace etiquette.



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- 5. Addressing Diverse Needs: Every student has unique interests, strengths, and career goals. A career development program caters to this diversity by offering personalized guidance and support tailored to individual needs.
- Reducing Anxiety: Transitioning from school to the workforce can be daunting for many students. A career development program provides students with the tools and support needed to navigate this transition, reducing anxiety, and increasing chances of success.
- 7. Building Relationships: Schools leverage their relationships with business and industry professionals, community organizations, parents, and alumni providing students with valuable networking opportunities, mentorship programs, workbased learning experiences.

Question: Where can a current list of NC Career and Technical course offerings, including pathways, and corresponding recognized business and industry credentials be found?

Answer: Refer to the NC CTE Course Inventory on the NC Career and Education (CTE) Course Management System (CMS).