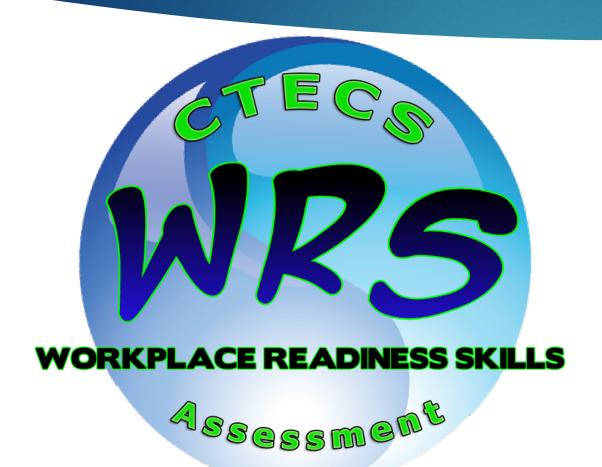


## Getting the Most out of Teaching the Workplace Readiness Skills (WRS)

NEW ADMINISTRATORS

REYNOLDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
JULY 10, 2024

## AGENDA



- Welcome Back
- Plan: Pre-Test, Data, Curriculum, Post-Test, Badge
- Partner with WBL Programs
- WRS (Online) Curriculum
- New Digital Ecosystem and Badging with Credly
- Get Started with Testing

As always, thank you for choosing CTECS.

## CTECS

Since 1973, to provide industry-based resources and services for the improvement of career technical education and workforce development instruction, assessment, certification, and delivery.

Consortium of states dedicated to CTE program improvement.

Virginia is a charter member.





- 1. Pre-Test early.
- 2. Evaluate instant reports.
- 3. Identify weaknesses.
- 4. Apply specific skill modules in the curriculum.
- 5. Teach the vocabulary.
- 6. Post-Test early enough (Feb.) to remediate and retest.
- 7. Once passed, encourage students to claim their digital badge.
- 8. Encourage them to connect with career building opportunities.
- 9. Satisfy graduation credential requirements and help them stand out.
- 10.Request VDOE reimbursement for testing costs.

## Use WRS Results for WBL Decisions

- WRS are a mandatory teaching requirement of every Virginia CTE program.
- Not all WBL experiences are equal, and outcomes are difficult to measure.
- Use WRS with WBL, and suddenly you have data that measures the effectiveness of the experiences.
- Plus, students who pass the test now have a digital badge ecosystem in which they can begin to build and share a portfolio of experiences.
- The WRS allows students and job candidates to stand out.



# Enhanced WRS Instructional Resources



As always, visit our **Practice page** for quizzes and instructional modules: <a href="https://wrs.ctecs.org/practice/">https://wrs.ctecs.org/practice/</a>

Scenarios have been released to Canvas through the CTE Resource Center: <a href="http://cteresource.org/wrs/index.html">http://cteresource.org/wrs/index.html</a>

## Easy to implement and meaningful

- Online courses for blended learning, with options
- Level 1: Career Interest Development (Grades 8-9)
- Level 2: WRS (Grades 10-12)
- Short, guided activities, vocabulary, and more





# Partnership with Credly

- Badge is offered through the successful test.
- Digital transcript
- Students showcase their experiences, credentials, and skills, organize their future goals and plans, and share with meaningful career opportunities and talent seekers.



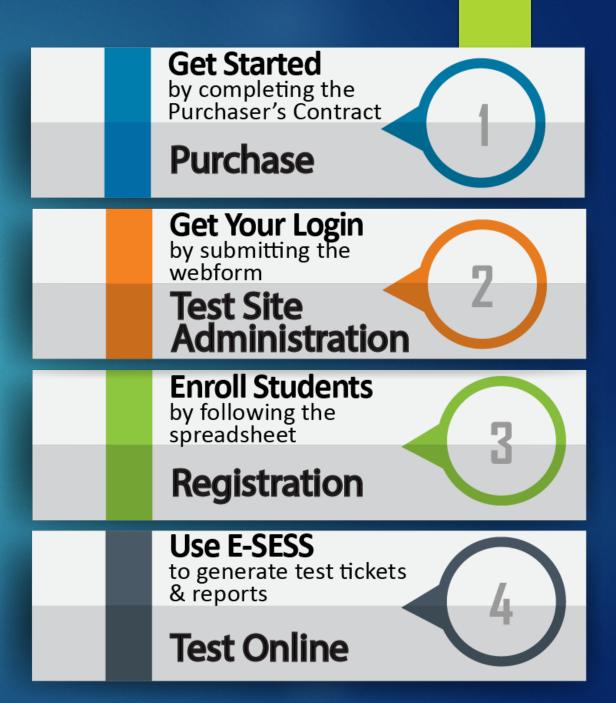
## Admin Process

Getting started with testing involves two easy steps: Every school year...

- Submit the Purchaser's webform (Contract #)
- Submit the Test Site Administrator's webform (Many under the same Contract #)

#### Next steps:

- Register Students
- Reference E-SESS Guide



## Testing Reminders

- Each student can take up to One Pre-Test and three Post-Tests (until they pass)
- ► Test cost: \$7 Pre-Test / \$10 Post-Test reimbursable through the Virginia DOE
- ▶ 100 multi-choice questions, improved every year, online only, proctored locally
- Reports, Retakes, Policies (accommodations)

