

Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council (WSATC) OSPI Report – January 2023

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General Updates

State Superintendent Chris Reykdal provided an annual update on the state of Washington's K–12 students, educators, and schools on January 9, 2023. Topics shared included updates on learning recovery, education funding, student enrollment rates, and Class of 2022 graduation rates. Highlights from the address and the recording from TVW can be found in the related OSPI [press release](#).

Legislative Updates

The Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) legislative decision packages are available for review [here](#), including policy requests for the Operating Budget and requests for the Capital budget.

Marysville School District Regional Apprenticeship Pathways (RAP) Program

On October 11, 2022, Representative Sharon Tomiko Santos hosted an event at the Regional Apprenticeship Pathways (RAP) program located at Marysville-Pilchuck High School. Legislators on the Senate Early Learning and House of Representatives K–12 Education Committee were invited to attend the event with an OSPI team. The event included a panel presentation by the RAP Director on the development of the program, a panel presentation by industry and labor union partners on the quality of the program, and a tour of the facility where the students were actively participating in construction projects. Current students shared enthusiastic testimonials on the positive impact of the RAP Program on their high school experience, individually shared their commitment to pursue future careers in the trades, and the apprenticeship programs they would be entering immediately after graduation.

The RAP Program started in the 2019–2020 school year with a three-year, \$750,000 pilot program grant. The purpose of the grant was to establish a building and construction-based apprenticeship preparation program recognized by the Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council (WSATC). Marysville School District partnered with the Arlington School District, Everett Community College, local labor unions, local industry, WSATC, and additional



school districts to develop the formal apprenticeship regional pilot program, which is in the final year of the grant.

The RAP Program currently serves 55 students through two different year-long sessions where they can simultaneously meet high school graduation requirements, earn college credit, earn Industry Recognized Credentials (IRCs) in Core Plus Construction, Manufacturing Employment Readiness, and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). Students are also eligible for preferred entry or a guaranteed interview with an apprenticeship program. The regional model of the RAP program allows eligible students from Everett Community College and school districts within Snohomish County, including Arlington, Darrington, Granite Falls, Lake Stevens, Lakewood, Marysville, Monroe, Stanwood-Camano, Sultan, and Everett.

Upcoming Engagement Opportunities

OSPI Career and Technical Education (CTE) Office External Engagement Meetings

The CTE office provides external engagement meetings via Zoom to provide support, information, and resources in support of CTE education. The meetings are intended for CTE administrators, educators, school counselors, administrators, and other school-based staff. Dependent on the topics being covered, community members may also attend. If you are interested in presenting information or want additional information on attending, please contact cte@k12.wa.us.

CTE Office Hours

Monthly CTE Office Hours Zoom meetings are held on or about the fourth Thursday of the month. These meetings provide information on CTE topics and serve as an opportunity for technical support with CTE education. These meetings are open to CTE administrators, educators, school counselors, school administrators, and other school-based staff. The next meeting will be January 26 from 3:30–4:30 pm.

CTE News & More

Monthly CTE News & More meetings are held on the second Friday of the month. These are structured meetings that provide specific information and resources on timely CTE topics. Meetings are primarily focused on providing information and resources to CTE administrators, but school counselors and administrators are welcome to attend. The next meeting is scheduled for January 13 from 12–1 pm.

The links to both meetings as well as materials from past meetings are posted on the [CTE Resources](#) page of the website. If you are interested in presenting information or want additional information on attending, please contact cte@k12.wa.us.



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