

United States Presidential Scholars Program- CTE Application

Students: Please contact your high school principal to determine if you will be the **sole senior** to represent your school as the candidate for the USPSP CTE component. The principal's signature is a requirement on the application, so communicating with your school officials should be your first step in determining application eligibility. **Submission instructions are listed on page 5.**

PERSONAL INFORMATION					
First Name:		Last Name:		Middle Name:	Gender:
Street Address:				Apartment/Unit #	
City:		State		ZIP	
9 Digit Phone #			E-mail Address:		
High School Name				High School CEEB Code:	
High School Address					
City		State		ZIP	
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS (see instructions on page 3)					
Unweighted GPA (scale of 0 to 4.0) Please request this from your counselor.				Class Ranking (student # out of # in class)	
ACT Score (English, Reading, Math & Science, exclude Writing):				SAT Score (Reading, Writing & Math):	
Program of Study (Must be listed on Page 4):					
List of medals won in state and/or national CTSO skills competitions (See list of eligible CTSOs on page 4)				List of completed courses in your chosen Program of Study (Verify courses from the links on page 4)	
List of Industry-Based Certifications within your Program of Study: (Verify eligible IBCs from the links on page 4)				List current courses in your chosen Program of Study (Verify courses from the links on page 4)	
WORK-BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCE List your top five work-based learning experiences (internships, school-based enterprises, mentorships, etc.)					
Organization Name	Position/Role	Number of hours	Dates of Participation	Brief Description of Experience and/or Skills Gained	
CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION EXPERIENCE list up to five CTSO roles or experiences					
Organization Name	Position/Role	Number of hours	Dates of Participation	Brief Description of Responsibilities and/or Skills Gained	

Typed response: Describe how your experience with career and technical education has prepared you for a future in your chosen field. Provide examples of your mastery of skills, teamwork, ingenuity, creativity, and/or problem solving. Limit your response to 500 words or less.

Instructions for completing the Academic Achievements, Work-based Learning Experience and Career and Technical Student Organization Experience sections.

- **GPA:** Please ensure you provide an unweighted GPA. This should be on a scale of 0-4.0 If your transcript provides a weighted GPA, please consult your school counselor for the unweighted GPA.
- **Program of Study:** Select one Program of Study from list on page.
- List only courses, medals, IBCs, Work-based learning experiences and CTSO experience that are related to the chosen Program of Study.

Examples:

WORK-BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCE List your five most significant work-based learning experiences (such as internships, school-based enterprises, mentorships, job shadowing, apprenticeships, or similar experiences.)				
Organization Name	Position/Role	Number of hours	Dates of Participation	Brief Description of Responsibilities and/or Skills Gained
General Hospital	Job Shadowing	8 hours total	6/7/2026	I followed an RN through a shift to observe job rigor, daily tasks and responsibilities
Computer Company	Intern	4 hours / week	2/2/2026 - 5/1/2026	I worked with a senior developer to write and test mapping programs.
CAREER AND TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION EXPERIENCE list up to five CTSO roles or experiences				
Organization Name	Position/Role	Number of hours	Dates of Participation	Brief Description of Responsibilities and/or Skills Gained
Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA)	President	3 hours / week	5/15/2025 - 5/15/2026	Presided over meetings and planned projects and activities outside of school.
SkillsUSA Texas	State Officer	5 hours / week	4/3/2025 - present	I serve as student leader to plan and promote statewide activities and events.

Eligible Programs of Study

Energy

- [Renewable Energy](#)

Engineering

- [Engineering Foundations](#)
- [Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering](#)
- [Electrical Engineering](#)
- [Civil Engineering](#)
- [Geospatial Engineering and Land Surveying](#) (Regional Program of Study)
- [Drone \(Unmanned Vehicle\)](#) (Regional Program of Study)

Health Science

- [Health Informatics](#)
- [Diagnostic & Therapeutic Services](#)
- [Nursing Science](#)
- [Biomedical Science](#)

Information Technology

- [Networking Systems](#)
- [Web Development](#)
- [Cybersecurity](#)
- [Programming and Software Development](#)

Manufacturing

- [Robotics and Automation Technology](#)
- [Manufacturing Technology](#)
- [Electronics Technology](#) (Regional Program of Study)
- [Advanced Manufacturing and Industrial Technology](#) (Regional Program of Study)

Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics

- [Automotive and Collision Repair](#)
- [Aviation Maintenance](#)
- [Diesel and Heavy Equipment Maintenance and Commercial Drivers](#)
- [Distribution, Logistics, and Warehousing](#)
- [Aviation \(Pilots\)](#)
- [Maritime](#) (Regional Program of Study)

Eligible Career and Technical Education – Student Organizations (CTSOs)

- [Business Professionals of America \(BPA\) - Texas](#)
- [DECA, Texas Association](#)
- [Future Business Leaders of America \(FBLA\) - Texas](#)
- [Family, Career and Community Leaders of America \(FCCLA\)](#)
- [Health Occupations Students of America \(HOSA\)](#)
- [SkillsUSA Texas](#)
- [Texas Association of Future Educators](#)
- [Texas FFA Association](#)
- [Texas Technology Students Association \(TSA\)](#)
- [Future Coaches of Texas Association](#)
- [Future Hotels and Tourism Professionals](#)
- [Texas Restaurant and Foodservice Management Student Organization](#)
- [Young Billionaires Club](#)

APPLICANT SIGNATURE

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I did not use artificial intelligence (AI) or any other person to write, generate, revise, enhance, or modify my essays. If this application leads to an award, I understand that false or misleading information in my application may result in my disqualification. (Your signature must be **handwritten**.)

Signature		Date	
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CERTIFYING OFFICIAL SIGNATURE

Only one (1) CTE student applicant will be accepted from each school. Principals are asked to nominate one outstanding senior to be considered for this honor. (*Principals may also nominate one general student applicant through the general application process.)

By signing below, I acknowledge that the named applicant is the one CTE student that this school is nominating for the Presidential Scholars CTE Program Award. **Handwritten or electronic signature required.**

Principal's Signature		Date	Principal's Phone
Principal's Name		Principal's email	

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

Use the checklist below to ensure your application package is complete:

- ___ Application is typed.
- ___ Application is 100% complete (Resumes are not accepted).
- ___ Application includes student's handwritten signature.
- ___ Application includes Certifying Official (Principal) signature (hand-written or electronic signature required).
- ___ Typed response is limited to 500 words.
- ___ Application submission includes unofficial transcript.
- ___ Application has been scanned as ONE complete PDF file.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION PROCEDURES

Applications must be submitted by 5:00 pm on Friday, October 2, 2026.

All applications must be submitted electronically through the secure online submission system. Before submitting, scan the completed application and all required documents, including signatures, and follow the steps below:

1. Combine your application and transcript into **one PDF file**.
2. Name the file using student's first name, last name and "CTE". (Example: john_doe_cte.pdf)
3. Go to <http://bit.ly/USPSPCTE>
4. Enter student's first name, last name, email address and High School CEEB Code.
5. Upload the PDF file.
6. Click the final arrow to submit the application.

Important: Applications received after **5:00 pm on Friday, October 2, 2026, will not be considered.**