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## Cowley College Supports Kansas' Workforce

Cowley College supports workforce needs across Kansas through Associate's degree and workforce certificate-level awards in 27 career and technical education (CTE) programs.

1,004 students majored in at least one, CTE program during the 2022-2023 academic year with the most popular Associate of Applied Science (AAS) program choices including Medical Coding, Welding Technology, and Emergency Medical Services/Paramedic.

The information in the graphics below reflects data reported to the Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR) and the Integrated PostSecondary Database (IPEDS) as part of an annual data collection.

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Awards Summary

Cowley College conferred 1,451 career and technical program awards to 1,024 students between June 1, 2021 and May 31, 2023.

### First to Second Fall CTE Student Retention Rate: First Time College Students (2022 Fall)

2022	
Full Time	Part Time
63%	40%

The ability to return for a second academic year is critical to the successful completion of an Associate's degree and/or two year certificate program award. The 2024 publication of national retention rates for the 2021 fall first time college student cohort (any degree program) includes a comparison of Cowley College's retention rates (Full time: 61%; Part time: 44%) with ten, Kansas community college peers (Full time: 56; Part time: 33%) selected for student headcount and location to town.

Data Source: IPEDS 2023 Data Feedback Report

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CTE Student Completion Rate: First Time College Students (2020 Fall)

Fall Cohort	
2020	65%
# of Students Completing an Award or Continuing Education	55
# of Students Who Stopped Out	30
# of Cohort Members	85

Successful award completion by CTE students contributes positively to Cowley College's overall graduation rate for first time college students majoring in any program. The 2024 publication of national graduation rates for the 2019 first time student cohort includes a comparison of the College's overall graduation rate (47%) with a peer group of ten, Kansas community colleges (39%) selected for student headcount and location to town.

Data Source: 2023 IPEDS Data Feedback Report

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### CTE Students Status for 2023 Fall

First Fall after Most Recent Academic Year Enrollment

	2023	98.5% of the CTE students with follow up information were employed and/or continuing their college education at Cowley College or another institution.
Continuing Education	58.35%	
Employed; Related Field	33.05%	
Employed; Unrelated Field	6.75%	
Unemployed	1.18%	
Disability; No Longer in Workforce	0.34%	
Active Military Duty	0.34%	

### Potential Earnings for 2022-2023 CTE Graduates

Data Source: Department of Labor

	Cowley County	Kansas
Criminal Justice	\$53,646	\$60,855
Nondestructive Testing Technology	\$57,863	\$66,360
Welding Technology	\$42,540	\$45,965
Automotive Technology	\$43,981	\$52,941
Paramedic	\$41,543	\$44,081
Cosmetology	\$40,131	\$46,165
Medical Coding	\$38,764	\$51,609
Allied Health Aides and Assistants	\$28,662	\$29,610
EMT	\$36,427	\$35,223
Childcare and Development	\$47,283	\$54,312

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