

Nampa School District | Career & Technical Education

Graduation Cord Policy

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This document has been created to provide clear guidelines to teachers and advisors throughout the Nampa School District's Career & Technical Education programs on the requirements for students to be awarded a CTE Cord to display during their high school commencement program.

CTE Cords are not intended to be awarded to every student who completes a CTE Career Pathway. These cords are an honor and should be awarded to those students whom demonstrate the exceptional CTE student.

To be eligible for a cord, the following **minimum** requirements must be met:

- ✓ Completion of all courses within a Career Pathway with an 80% or B average;
- ✓ Passing the program assigned Technical Skill Assessment (pilot status TSA are exempt);
- ✓ Passing the Workplace Readiness Assessment;
- ✓ Active participation in a Career & Technical Student Organization (CTSO).
 - *Active* is defined by each CTSD. While *active* may be different from one CTSD to another, *active* must be the same for the entire CTSD within the District.

Teachers who wish to award a student their cord, must provide in writing the students name and home school to the Program Department Lead. Teacher are encouraged to retain records of students and the completion of the above mentioned requirements.

NOTE: Some Program Areas may have additional requirements to receive their cord. While additional requirements may be in place, the four listed within this document must be met.

All nominees must be submitted to District CTE Staff by **April 15, 2018** by the Department Lead. If the student is determined not to be eligible at the conclusion of 2nd semester, the cord will be returned to District CTE.