



WAVE Scholarship Update

Winners Announced in June

The Workforce Board announced 121 winners for the Washington Award for Vocational Excellence in June. A record 334 students applied this year, the most applications since the program was reactivated in 2022. A volunteer committee of business, labor and education leaders selected winners through a highly competitive process.

We have also seen some great media coverage. A list of highlights can be found in the WAVE in the News section of our [website](#).

[A list of this year's winners is located here.](#)

Additionally, this year's winners represent:

- 86 graduating high school seniors
- 35 community and technical college students
- 47 legislative districts
- 22 Washington counties
- 69 high schools
- 20 community and technical colleges
- Rural, urban and suburban communities

The Workforce Board administers this annual, merit-based scholarship. This year, it will pay as up to \$6,768 per year, for up to two years. Learn more: <https://wtb.wa.gov/wave/>

The Washington Award for Vocational Excellence (WAVE) honors Washington's outstanding career and technical education students. Each of the state's 49 legislative districts can have up to three winners per year—for as many as 147 total annual scholarship awardees. Graduating high school seniors who completed or are in the process of completing a second year in a single CTE pathway are eligible. Community and technical college students who have completed or are in the process of completing a year of professional-technical training are also eligible.

WA-ACTE Conference in Spokane—WAVE presentation planned!

We will be at the WA-ACTE summer conference in August. Please swing by our booth and say hi. Also, we will be presenting on the WAVE scholarship, including providing more information about the new application tool we hope to launch in late December or early January. Attend our breakout session on Sunday, Aug. 4 from 11a.m. -11:50 a.m. to get all the details—and provide feedback on what we can do to make it an easy-to-use tool for your top CTE students to apply for this important CTE focused scholarship funding.