

Senior Only Credential Programs



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- Districts and schools have great flexibility in creating a Senior Only Credential Program for students.
- It allows a district or school to schedule instructional time for the student to achieve industry-recognized credentials based solely on credential attainment.



Who is It For?

Students in their senior year who:

- Have completed most of their curriculum requirements.
- Express interest in advancing their portfolio through earning industry-recognized credentials.
- May need to fulfill graduation requirements.



Benefits of Industry-Recognized Credentials

- What is the benefit to a **school** offering the approved industry-recognized credential?
 - Provide transition beyond high school
 - Incentive funding for credentials aligned to in-demand jobs
 - Credit on the state report card

Why Offer It?

- Allows for a school to employ an industry-credential holder through a 12-hour teaching permit
- State-approved senior only programs receive career-technical education funding.
- Schools and districts also may offer credentials to students outside of a career-technical education program
- The state offers several options for graduation. Earning industry-recognized credentials are a foundation of many of those options.



What Credentials Can They Earn?

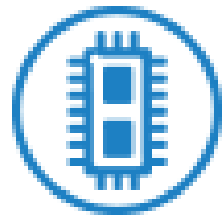
Programs can select from a number of career fields:

Agriculture/Environmental Systems 	Arts and Communications 	Business, Marketing, and Finance 
Construction 	Education and Training 	Engineering 
Health 	Hospitality and Tourism 	Human Services 
Information Technology 	Law and Public Safety 	Manufacturing 
Transportation 		



What Credentials Can They Earn?

These credentials align to industry needs, and with in-demand jobs across Ohio:



Computer Programmer

Average Salary: \$71,648

[CompTIA A+ Certification](#)



Medical Assistant

Average Salary: \$31,512

[Clinical Medical Assistant Certification](#)



Credentialing Cost and Reimbursement

- Credential cost is comprised of instructor training, equipment needs, transportation, exam cost, etc.
- Reimbursement program covers the cost of the exam fee for each student
 - Reimbursement can only be utilized once per credential, per student
 - A credential must be successfully earned in order to receive reimbursement

Starting a Senior ICO Program

- Analyze senior data to determine need
- Review labor market data and talk to industry advisory committee
- Research credentials
 - Look at requirements for and value of credential
 - Equipment needs, facilities needs, instructor requirements

Starting an ICO Program

- Determine credentials to offer
- Choose credentials totaling 12 points in one career cluster/field
- Determine hours needed for instruction for each credential (total hours max 920 for community schools and 1080 for other public schools)
- Contact your [Career Technical Planning District](#) for collaboration

Now let's try it

- On each table, you will find a card with an industry-recognized credential name on it.
- Find the following information:
 - Any prerequisites
 - Costs associated (curriculum, exam fee, etc.)
 - Instructor training requirements

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