



Career Connect NW is the Career Connected Learning Network in the Northwest Region.

Career Connect NW (CCNW) is one of nine regional career connected learning networks under the larger Career Connect Washington (CCW) organization. Hosted at the Northwest Educational Service District 189 (NWESD), CCNW works through collaboration with workforce, industry, education, and community partners to collectively meet the career development needs of Northwest Washington's youth in an equitable and accessible way.

Area served



Counties

Island
San Juan
Skagit
Snohomish
Whatcom

Career Connect NW has three goals:

1. Catalyze Regional Stakeholder Partnerships, Collaborations, and Strategies
2. Increase Equity and Access to Family Wage/High Demand Career Opportunities
3. Support Coherent Career Pathways and Workforce Readiness

NW Region Focus Priority Sectors:

Priority Sectors:	Emerging/Momentum Gaining Sectors:
• Construction	• Maritime
• Healthcare	• CleanTech
• Manufacturing/Aerospace	• Education
• Information Technology/Computer Science	• Life Science

Career Connect NW conducted an environmental scan within the five-county region to determine industry sector focus. Significant input and alignment was gained through utilization of the 2024-2028 Regional Workforce Plans of our two regional workforce councils, the NW Workforce Council and Workforce Snohomish.

Career Connect NW will collaborate with partners to develop and support the following career connected learning priorities in 2024-2027:

- 1) **Career Launch growth**
 - Career Launch Program Endorsement applications and renewals support
- 2) **Career Connected Learning programming capacity development in priority sectors**
 - Career Exploration Culminating Experiences Facilitation/Expansion
 - Apprenticeship/Internship Introductions and Exploration
 - Program Builder Support
 - Employer Engagement
- 3) **Facilitation of partnerships, pathway clarity, and alignment**
 - CTE Dual Credit Alignment in collaboration with regional community college and K-12 partners
 - Educator Professional Development in Priority Sector Knowledge Support/Workforce System Support
 - Collaboration and initiative alignment with leadership in workforce, industry, K12, post secondary, government, and community organizations

Read the full plan here:



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