In 1974, the Butte County Office of Education (BCOE) established the Butte County Regional Occupational Program (ROP). The intent was to develop a career technical education (CTE) delivery system that would provide skill training and career guidance with work-based learning opportunities appropriate for Butte County youth and adults.

In addition to our School of ROP Adult Programs, Butte County CTE supports our community in Career Technical Education through CTE Professional Development, CTE Funding Technical Assistance, Career Exploration for Schools and Direct Support Professional Training. Contact us to learn more about how we can support you!

“(Butte County CTE) gave me something that I’m passionate about, and I can go into the world and make something of myself, and make my parents proud for the first time.”

- Welding Academy Graduate
Butte County CTE is the career technical education department of the Butte County Office of Education. Among our many programs and services, we provide:

**ADULT PROGRAMS**
Through our School of ROP, Butte County CTE provides high quality career technical programs that prepare students for industry employment in careers such as Medical Assistant, Phlebotomy Technician, Dental Assistant, Professional Welder and Veterinary Assistant. In addition, our students receive career services including job seeking skills, career guidance and interview preparation.

**CTE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**
Butte County CTE provides CTE teachers, counselors and other K12 educators and administrators with engaging and targeted professional development that supports high quality career technical education. We provide workshops, curriculum institutes and CTE Teacher mentorship and induction support.

**CTE FUNDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**
Butte County Office of Education is the K12 SWP Technical Assistance Provider for Butte and Glenn County Schools. We also provide support for CTEIG funding.

**CAREER EXPLORATION FOR SCHOOLS**
Through our Career Camps, Career Planning Presentations and Career Modules for schools, we support our local youth in career exploration and skills training.

**DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**
Under a contract with the CDE, our DSPT program provides testing and training to regional center residential care givers who serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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**PROGRAMS**

* **MEDICAL ASSISTANT - ROP**
  This 38-week program (1080 clock hours) prepares students with the necessary manipulative skills, technical knowledge and experience for entry-level employment as an Administrative Medical Assistant and a Clinical Medical Assistant in a doctor’s office, medical clinic or health care agency. Students successfully completing this program are eligible to sit for the California Certifying Board of Medical Assistants exam in Administration and Clinical areas.

* **REGISTERED DENTAL ASSISTANT - ROP**
  This 34-week program (980 clock hours) prepares students with the necessary manipulative skills, technical knowledge and experience for entry-level employment as a Registered Dental Assistant. Students successfully completing this program will receive six RDA certificates (see website for details) and be eligible for the Registered Dental Assistant Examination offered by the Dental Board of California.

* **CERTIFIED VETERINARY ASSISTANT - ROP**
  This 24-week program (600 clock hours) prepares students with the necessary manipulative skills, technical knowledge and experience for entry-level employment as a veterinary assistant, animal caretaker or kennel attendant. Students successfully completing this program may earn 6 units toward the Veterinary Technician program at Yuba College and are eligible to sit for the California Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) Certified Veterinary Assistant exam.

* **PHLEBOTOMY TECHNICIAN I - ROP**
  This 11-week program (106 clock hours) prepares students to draw blood specimens from patients as requested by hospitals and referring physicians. Students successfully completing this program are eligible to sit for the National Exam for Certified Phlebotomy Technician and apply to become a California State Certified Phlebotomy Technician.

* **PROFESSIONAL WELDING ACADEMY**
  This 8-week academy provides participants the opportunity to learn basic skills while preparing for welding-related employment. The curriculum combines classroom instruction with hands-on application. National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) welding certifications are available.

*Check our website for current application deadlines*

*These ROP programs offer Financial Aid assistance*