

## NOCTI Provides Solutions for Perkins Accountability

NOCTI provides varying levels of services to state departments of education. Presently, NOCTI serves 48 of the 50 states to meet their accountability requirements. Some states such as Connecticut fund the assessments through the Department of Education. Other states, including Virginia have officially “recognized” NOCTI assessments within their state and have incorporated the assessments in their statewide CTE program approval process. Massachusetts is in the process of customizing assessments for all of their CTE programs based on their state standards. Currently some states such as Maine and Oregon are using NOCTI assessments to Pilot test their students in various CTE occupational areas.



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### Connecticut:



- Vocational Technical School System
  - NOCTI Job Ready Performance Assessments
  - Certificate of Achievement for students meeting the national average
  - Customized demographic questions
  - Comprehensive year-end report
- Comprehensive High School System
  - Customized written assessments
  - Customized demographic questions
  - Comprehensive year-end report



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### Virginia:



- In VA students must earn the minimum standard credits and six verified credits. One student-selected verified credit can be earned in a CTE course that offers one standard credit and two can be earned if the student is a “completer” in the CTE program sequence.
- NOCTI provides credentialing options for Career and Technical Education (CTE) completers
- The Board of Education has approved 53 NOCTI “Job Ready” assessments for the verified credit option.
- The verified credit option requires *only* the knowledge-based component of a NOCTI assessment.
- The national norm for a specific test is used for the “cut score”. NOCTI assessments are valuable tools in providing external credentialing for CTE programs as well as being used for the program improvement purposes.

## Massachusetts:

### ➤ Overview

- Certificate of Occupational Proficiency to drive improvement through assessment and analysis of essential skills
  - Safety cert
  - Portfolio
  - Career plan
  - Competency Tracking Profile
  - Passing score Online assessment
  - Passing score customized performance assessment
  - Satisfied local and state requirements MCAS



## Maine:

- Nationally Standardized Pilot testing written only
  - All schools
  - Construction Trade related areas
  - Testing to start in mid-May
- Very interested in the PBA/NAHB program endorsement/certification
  - Grew out of one of the President's High Growth Initiative grants



## Oregon:

- Nationally Standardized Pilot testing written only
  - All schools in High Desert Region
  - 15 Occupational Areas
  - Testing to start in late-May
- Community Colleges in the region have been heavily involved
  - Focusing on program improvement and potential articulation



### Other services offered by NOCTI include:

- Customized Administration Materials
- Targeted Training Workshops
- Comprehensive Annual Reports
- Branded Online Testing Platform