

**Office of Teaching and Learning | Secondary-Postsecondary Transitions Team**

Why Become a Career and Technical Education Teacher?

 **Educate the next generation of employees for your industry**

o Share your passion, experience, and expertise with young people who are interested in the industry you associate with

o Be involved in exposing students to opportunities within your industry

o Demonstrate and guide students in acquiring technical skills needed to be successful in your industry

 **Transform others’ lives**

o Mentor students as they grow and explore their opportunities after high school

o Make relevant connections for students between content and application of technical knowledge, skills, and real world experiences

o Know that you make a difference in students’ lives every day

 **Give Back to your Community and Industry**

o Elevate student performance by bringing relevance to the classroom

o Inspire and prepare the next generation of leaders in your industry

o Work with students who want to learn and explore the many opportunities available to them

o Take part in rejuvenating the workforce and economy in your community

 **Enrich your life**

o Influence the next generation of leaders in your industry and community

o Assist students in acquiring new skills, ideas, and knowledge

o Teaching can be the most rewarding and challenging thing you will ever do

 **Be part of the solution for education in Oregon**

o Bring a fresh perspective to education

o Help to ensure a strong economic future for the state

o Be the change you want to see in education in Oregon

“Those that know, do. Those that understand, teach.” – Aristotle

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