

Pearl River Community College  
Student Achievement – National Certification Rates for CTE Programs

<b>Student Achievement Criteria Four: National Certification Rates for CTE Programs</b>			
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Rationale for Selection of Criteria 4: Alignment to Mission	National Certification Rate as a measure of student achievement aligns well with the College's mission which says that the College committed to providing quality educational and service opportunities for all who seek them." All CTE curricula have been aligned to the relevant certification for the program. This alignment ensures that all programs provide students the required skills and knowledge to be successful in their careers. The adoption of national certifications improves employability and creates a more prepared workforce.		
Threshold of Acceptability	Technical skill attainment is defined as a student who passed a national technical skill assessment test or certification aligned with industry-recognized standards, if available and appropriate, during the reporting year. Pearl River Community College uses the national goals set by Carl Perkins for success at 70% for technical skill attainment.		
National Certification Rate First-time, Full-time, Degree/Certificate Seeking Students			
Academic Year	National Certification Rate	Threshold of Acceptability	Threshold of Acceptability Met?
2019-2020	91.38%	70%	Yes
2020-2021	85.21%	70%	Yes
2021-2022	88.08	70%	Yes
2022-2023	94.85	70%	Yes

Source: Perkins Annual Report / Perkins V Reporting Manual