



2026 CTE Technical Skills Assessment Teacher Institutes

— Announcement and Application Process —

Dear Director, the Annual CTE Technical Skills Assessment Teacher Institutes bring teacher committees together to review, update, and develop assessment items for their program’s TSA. Each committee includes teachers new to the assessment process, those who have experienced the assessment work previously, and as well, geographic diversity is an important consideration.

Each Institute begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes by 4:30 p.m. Teachers receive a stipend of \$250 and 8 hours of Professional Development Credit, with lunch on their own. Meeting dates, programs, locations, and application deadlines are listed below.

The application links for the TSA Institutes will be emailed to directors and teachers on the application available date. Applicants and their directors will be notified by email regarding their status to participate in the Institutes.

TSA Institutes: Dates, Locations, and Application/Notification



Saturday, March 28 at West-MEC Glendale-START Bldg.		Saturday, April 25 at West-MEC Glendale-START Bldg.		Application/Notification
Architectural Drafting		Digital Communication		Application available: January 30, 2026 Application deadline: February 20, 2026 Notification of acceptance: February 27, 2026
Automotive Collision Repair		Laboratory Assisting		
Bioscience		Pharmacy Support Services		



Saturday, May 16 at West-MEC Glendale-START Bldg.		Thursday, June 4 at Chandler-ASU Innovation Center		Application/Notification
Fashion Design and Operations		Early Childhood Education		Application available: March 13, 2026 Application deadline: April 10, 2026 Notification of acceptance: April 17, 2026
Mental and Social Health Technician		Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation		
Precision Machining				
Stagecraft				



Tuesday, June 9 at Chandler-ASU Innovation Center		Thursday, June 11 at Chandler-ASU Innovation Center		Application/Notification
Culinary Arts		Cabinetmaking		Application available: April 10, 2026 Application deadline: May 1, 2026 Notification of acceptance: May 8, 2026
Digital Photography		Cosmetology and Related Services		
Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning		Electrical and Power Transmission Installation		
		Graphic Design		

What we need from you:

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD when you receive the announcement about the TSA Institutes.

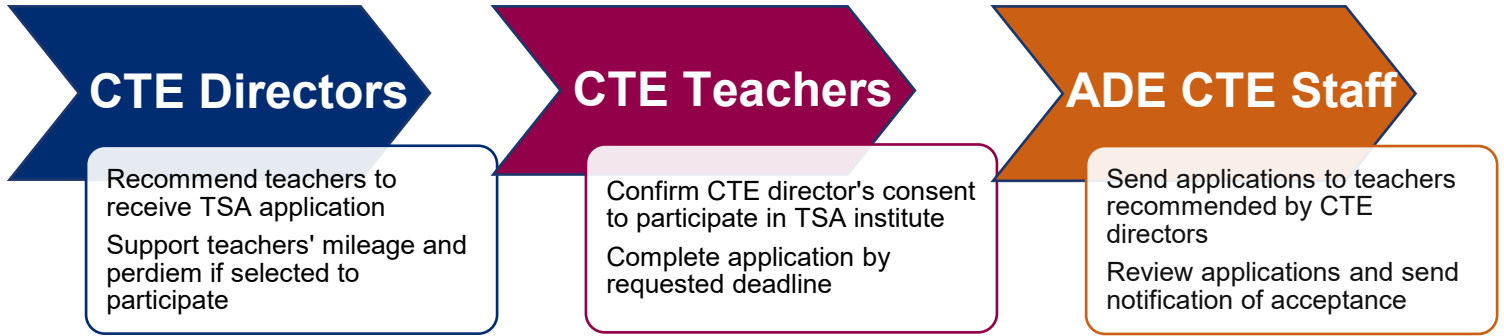
- Recruit teachers who have shared an interest in participating in the development of TSA items.
- Encourage teachers new to the assessment process to apply so they will be better informed.
- Remind teachers who are interested in the Institutes to submit the application by the deadline.
- Support your teachers’ mileage and per diem if selected to participate.

QUESTIONS? Contact the CTE TSA team at CTETSAlnbox@azed.gov.



Recommendation-Application-Notification Process

for the Technical Skills Assessment Institutes (TSAs) for 2026



Dear Teacher, you are invited to apply for a CTE Technical Skills Assessment Teacher Institute to review, update, and develop assessment items with other teachers in your program. Each committee will include teachers new to the assessment process, those who have experienced the assessment work previously, and as well, we encourage geographic diversity.

Each Institute begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes by 4:30 p.m. Teachers who complete the full day will receive a stipend of \$250 and earn 8 hours of Professional Development Credit. Lunch is on your own.

Please note below that each date features several programs. Just follow the link for your program and complete and submit the application by the date indicated. After the deadline, all applications will be reviewed, and you and your director will be notified by email regarding your status to participate in the Institute.

**TSA Institute Saturday,
March 28, 2026 - West-MEC
Glendale-START Bldg.**

- Architectural Drafting
- Automotive Collision Repair
- Bioscience

**TSA Institute Saturday,
April 25, 2026 - West-MEC
Glendale-START Bldg.**

- Digital Communication
- Laboratory Assisting
- Pharmacy Support Services

**TSA Institute Saturday
May 16, 2026 - West-MEC
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- Fashion Design and Operations
- Mental and Social Health Technician
- Precision Machining
- Stagecraft

**TSA Institute Thursday,
June 4, 2026-Chandler-ASU
Innovation Center**

- Early Childhood Education
- Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation

**TSA Institute Tuesday,
June 9, 2026 -Chandler-ASU
Innovation Center**

- Culinary Arts
- Digital Photography
- Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning

**TSA Institute Thursday,
June 11, 2026-Chandler-
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- Cabinetmaking
- Cosmetology and Related Sciences
- Electrical and Power Transmission Installations
- Graphic Design

Please reach out to the CTE TSA team at our new inbox CTETSAINbox@azed.gov for questions.