

## Trumbull Career & Technical Center Wins 2022 Pacesetter School Award

Center honored for increasing postsecondary enrollments and student attainment of industry credentials and college credits

July 19, 2022 — Trumbull Career & Technical Center in Warren, Ohio, is the winner of a 2022 Gene Bottoms Pacesetter School Award from the Southern Regional Education Board. The Center will be honored on July 19, 2022, at SREB's Making Schools Work Conference in Grapevine, Texas.

Pacesetter School Awards recognize schools that are implementing one of SREB's Making Schools Work school improvement frameworks and are achieving success in meeting bold goals related to graduation rates, readiness for college and careers, and credential attainment.

Trumbull Career & Technical Center implements [Technology Centers That Work](#), SREB's school improvement design for career and technology centers. In 2017, school administrators accepted the challenge to improve outcomes for all graduates. Trumbull targeted two goals: ensuring all students graduate college and career ready and increasing the number of students who earn industry credentials and college credits before graduating.

Administrators developed a campaign to encourage students to consider their options after high school such as enrolling in postsecondary programs, enlisting in the military or gaining employment in a good career field. This became known as the "3E campaign" and now forms a key part of the school's culture. Students are often asked "what's their E" and what goals they've set to achieve it. This schoolwide emphasis on enrollment, enlistment or employment has changed how the school plans and implements career advisement, career development activities and classroom lessons around careers.

Trumbull has increased its postsecondary enrollments and military enlistments between 2017 and 2020 and increased the percentage of students employed after graduation from 65% in 2017 to 75% in 2020. Trumbull also redefined its career and technical education programs to provide more opportunities for students to earn industry credentials and college credits before they graduate. The percentage of students earning credentials before graduation increased from 73% in 2017 to nearly 87% in 2020.

SREB's [Making Schools Work Conference](#) is held annually and provides educators with opportunities to participate in professional development, network with colleagues from across the country and build school and district leadership capacity.

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