



# **Hospitality & Tourism Program Guide**

Hospitality and Tourism is a broad career field that includes such positions as executive and sous chefs, hotel and restaurant managers, event coordinators, concierge, tour guides and travel agents. Across the United States, Hospitality and Tourism positions are demonstrating average growth with an average of approximately 3,000 job openings each year in the West Central region of Georgia.



# Start In High School. Follow Your Perfect Path.

# **High Schools**

By participating in high school CTAE programs, students can create opportunities to continue their studies in college, pursue an entry-level job, or serve in a related field in the military. (See back for a full list of programs.)

#### **DECA**

DECA is the Career & Technical Student Organization (CTSO) that gives students an opportunity to compete in career-related events and gain leadership experience.

# Certifications

After completing a CTAE pathway, students prepare for NOCTI certification exams, at CTAE expense, that may qualify them for entry-level jobs and/or college credit such as Culinary Arts Cook for four hours of college credit, and Travel and Tourism for three hours of college credit.

## **Work-Based Learning**

Students have the opportunity to be released early from school to work in positions related to their CTAE pathways.

### **Direct-to-Work**

Rigorous high school programs prepare students for hospitality, tourism and culinary careers upon graduation.

