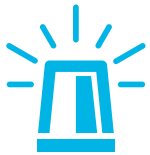




## Police & Fire Program Guide

Police & Fire programs prepare students for careers in fields of public safety, which include positions as firefighter, paramedic, patrol officer, detective/investigator, emergency management coordinator, correctional officer and security guard. Columbus, Georgia currently has a shortage of law enforcement, firefighters and EMT/Paramedics and an estimated job growth of 5%.



### 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.)

#### SkillsUSA

SkillsUSA is the Career & Technical Student Organization (CTSO) that gives students an opportunity to participate in career-related competitions across the state and nation, 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 Criminal Justice for three hours college credit, Emergency and Fire Management Services for three hours college credit, and NREMT-EMT Basic certification.

#### 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 Firefighting, EMS and corrections careers upon graduation.

