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Dear CTECS staff, students and families,

During this second half of the school year, it is important that the technical high schools prioritize trade experience for graduating seniors. These are the final months of their high school career and it’s critical that we ensure they are prepared to graduate with the skills needed to be successful. Just as we prioritized freshman at the beginning of this school year - bringing them in to school when possible to complete the Exploratory Program and experience all trades - we must afford our seniors the same hands-on learning time.

As such, moving into the next 12th grade trade cycle, grade 12 students will come in full-time for trade classes, while freshman will learn remotely. Your principal will share school-specific information with you shortly.

My greatest hope is that we will be able to resume full-time, in-person learning for all students this school year. We not only miss all of our students, but we are acutely aware of how important it is for us to be together for learning and relationships. I can't thank you enough for being flexible, valuing student and staff safety, and supporting our students through this time.

Jeff Wihbey, Superintendent