



CAREER PATHWAYS

Launch Your Future Today

LYFT Career Pathways September 2018 Update

LYFT Career Pathways Funding Extended to 2022

Launch Your Future Today (LYFT) is a rural career and technical education (CTE) pathway initiative with the purpose of rebuilding CTE in southwest and west central Minnesota. The goal of LYFT Pathways is for every secondary student in the region to gain marketable skills through meaningful CTE courses and opportunities which lead to further education and careers that match our region's labor market needs. LYFT Pathways has already funded the development of CTE experiences for 15 partnerships for the 2018-19 school year. It is anticipated that by the end of the 2018-19 school year, over 600 high school students will have CTE opportunities through LYFT that they would not have otherwise experienced.

Funding for LYFT Pathways (through a \$3 million 2017 Legislative Rural CTE Consortium Grant) was initially set to end on June 30, 2019. That date was recently extended to June 30, 2022. The requirements to accessing local partnership grants through LYFT Pathways are very straightforward. The partnership must:

1. Have at least 2 high schools working together
2. At least one business partner
3. Address a local or regional labor market need
4. Create a new CTE course or experience for students from one of the schools

For more information about currently funded projects, the application process, or to watch the new LYFT Pathways video go to www.LYFTpathways.org or contact Tom Hoff at tom.hoff@swsc.org or 507-537-2271,