

Tips for Preparing for the CTE Program Interview

- Look and be your best in order to make a great first impression. Dress professionally...no hats, hoodies, doo rags, etc. Shower or bathe, brush your teeth, prepare your hair.
- Greet people with a firm handshake, look them in the eye and smile.
- Be yourself.
- Be honest, have a positive attitude and answer questions in complete sentences...not one word answers.
- Research programs and careers that interest you.
- Answer the questions yourself. Don't ask your parent/guardian for the answers.
- Talk about why you want a specific high school choice program.
- Tell the interviewers about your interests and extra-curricular activities.
- Talk about you favorite class and the class you struggle with (and why).
- Tell them about what you do when you have trouble in school (academically or otherwise).
- Grades count in these interviews, so you should be able to talk about why you did not do well in a class, if that is the case.
- Attendance counts too! If you have a lot of absences, be ready to talk about it.
- You should know that CTE programs require excellent attendance. If your choice of school is out of your neighborhood, you'll have to rely on Centro.