STUDENTS DON‘T CONNECT THEIR CLASSES TO A CAREER

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81% of dropouts said that “more real-world learning” may have influenced them to stay in school.¹

For years we have told students that earning a four-year degree from a university is the only way to a successful career, but there’s a problem: industries say college graduates do not possess many of the skills needed for available careers.

70% of careers do not require a bachelor’s degree

The percentage of careers that do not require a bachelor’s degree

Why are employers having difficulty filling jobs?

Talent shortages continue to be driven by applicants who lack experience and technical competencies.²

650,000 American jobs supported by the shipbuilding and ship repair industry

The solution:

First, we have to realize that there are many avenues that lead to a successful career outside of a university degree.

Next, we must recognize that career and technical education (CTE) is a learning pathway that connects academic education with career preparation.

America’s shipbuilders need craft professionals with the technical skills to build ships that protect our country and provide for our economic security.