



# Growing A Local Workforce: Career, Technical & Internship Education Programs

CMC Salida

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# CMC and the Mountain Workforce

- CMC Model and Industry Partners
- Concurrent Enrollment Pathways
- Workforce Training
- Highlights:
  - Ski Area Operations
    - Lifts and Ski Patrol
  - Skilled Trades
  - Business, Healthcare and Education
  - Rethinking Outdoor Rec Programming



# Internships – by the numbers

- 177 student internships since Fall 2023 (\*average 30-40 students per semester)
- Over 140 local business partners that have offered to host an intern
  - Local police & fire
  - Colorado Parks & Wildlife
  - Construction, Auto & other local trades employers
  - Columbine Manor – skilled nursing and rehabilitation
- Industry recognized certifications
  - Wilderness First Responder
  - Avalanche Level – 1
  - Certified Nurse Aide
  - Wildland Firefighter Basic
- 4-year WBL curriculum - Every single Junior at Salida High School participates in Career Day



# Tyler Kause

- Completed CMC internship with Salida Fire – 2023
- Completed CMC internship with Chaffee County EMS - 2024
- Salida High School graduate – May 2024
- CMC Salida – EMT basic graduate – December 2024\*  
\*ASCENT participant





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# Thank you

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