Connecticut’s Forgotten Middle

Middle-skill jobs, which require education beyond high school but not a four-year degree, make up the largest part of America’s and Connecticut’s labor market. Key industries in Connecticut are unable to find enough sufficiently trained workers to fill these jobs.

Demand for Middle-Skill Jobs is Strong
Forty-nine percent of all jobs in 2012 were middle-skill.


Demand for Middle-Skill Jobs Will Remain Strong
Between 2010-2020, 44 percent of job openings will be middle-skill.

Source: NSC analysis of long-term occupational projections from state labor/employment agency.

A Middle-Skill Gap
Middle-skill jobs account for 49 percent of Connecticut’s labor market, but only 39 percent of the state’s workers are trained to the middle-skill level.