FOCUS on WIOA YOUNG ADULT PROGRAM



Could Your Young Adult Learner Benefit from Co-enrollment in Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Young Adult Program?

The WIOA Young Adult Program (also known as the Youth Program) provides comprehensive employment and training services to young people, including work-based learning, an introduction to career pathways, attainment of recognized credentials and wraparound support services.



Many disconnected young adults meet eligibility requirements for both the WIOA Young Adult Program and Adult Basic Education. Co-enrollment between these two programs can be very beneficial to disconnected youth as they can receive work experience and occupational skills through WIOA and literacy skills through ABE.

Who is eligible?

- U.S. citizen or otherwise legally entitled to work in the United States.
- At-risk youth ages 16- 24 who are not attending any school, and in-school youth ages 14-21 who are low-income and at-risk.

How Can the WIOA Young Adult Program Help?

Services are tailored to unique needs and may include:

- Tutoring, study skills training
- Dropout recovery and prevention
- Alternative secondary school services
- Paid and unpaid work experience, including summer employment
- Occupational skills training
- Workforce preparation activities and training
- Leadership development activities
- Supportive services

- Adult mentoring
- Follow-up services
- Comprehensive guidance and counseling
- Financial literacy education
- Entrepreneurial skills training
- Information about in-demand industry sectors/occupations
- Activities helping youth prepare for and transition to post-secondary education and training

Refer your adult learner to your local WIOA Young Adult Program: <u>Find your local CareerForce</u><u>location</u>.