

WIOA Title I

Brief Summary of Programmatic Changes and Opportunities

WIOA Title I-B Youth Employment and Training Program

Who is served under the WIOA Youth Program?

<p>Out-Of-School Youth who are not younger than 16 or older than age 24, and one of the following: A school dropout; A youth who is within the age of compulsory school attendance, but has not attended school for at least the most recent complete school year calendar quarter; A low-income individual with a school diploma who is basic skills-deficient or an English language learner; A youth offender, homeless, pregnant or parenting; A youth who has a disability; A low income individual requiring additional assistance to enter or complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment.</p>	<p>In-School Youth not younger than 14 or older than age 21: Attending school (as defined by state law); A low-income individual who is basic skills-deficient, an English language learner or is an offender; A homeless individual; A pregnant or parenting individual; A youth who has a disability; An individual who requires additional assistance to complete an educational program or to secure and hold employment. Special Rule: "low-income" also includes a youth living in a high-poverty area.</p>
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What are the program elements for the WIOA Title I-B Youth Program?

Program Elements for both In-School and Out-of-School Youth	
<p>Tutoring, study skills training, instruction, dropout prevention and recovery strategies.</p>	<p>Alternative secondary school services or dropout recovery services.</p>
<p>Paid and unpaid work experiences that have as a component academic and occupational education and may include summer and year-round employment opportunities.</p>	<p>Pre-apprenticeship programs, internships, job shadowing, and on-the-job training opportunities.</p>
<p>Occupational skills training, which may include priority consideration for training programs that lead to recognized postsecondary credentials aligned with in-demand industry sectors or occupations in the local area.</p>	<p>Education offered concurrently with and in the same context as workforce preparation activities and training for a specific occupation of occupational cluster.</p>
<p>Leadership opportunities, which may include community service and peer-centered activities encouraging responsibility and other positive social and civic behaviors, as</p>	<p>Supportive Service, adult mentoring, and follow-up services for not less than five months after participation is complete, as appropriate.</p>

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Comprehensive guidance and counseling.	Financial literacy education and entrepreneurial skills training.
Services that provide labor market and employment information about in-demand industry sectors or occupations available in the local areas, such as career awareness, career counseling, and career exploration services.	Activities that help youth prepare for and transition to postsecondary education and training.

Other WIOA Title I-B Youth Program Features and Changes

New: The Act requires local Workforce Development Councils to spend at least 75 percent of youth grant funds on out-of-school youth, compared to 30 percent under WIA. WIOA places a new priority on work-based learning by requiring that at least 20 percent of local youth grant funds (for both in-school and out-of-school services) be used for paid and unpaid work experiences that have as a component academic and occupational education. These program investments may include summer and year-round employment opportunities, pre-apprenticeship programs, internships, job shadowing, and on-the-job training.

WIOA Sec.3(36) make changes to the definition of “low-income.” Individuals who receive or are eligible to receive a free or reduced price lunch under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.) will be determined to be low income under WIOA. This is good news for youth advocates who have been requesting this method for documenting income eligibility for years.

WIOA Title I-B Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs

The Act directs the local Workforce Development Council to use Adult and Dislocated Worker Grant funds to:

- Enhance the area’s one-stop delivery system.
- Provide a range of career services (called core and Intensive Services under WIA) to eligible adults and dislocated workers.
- Provide training services that include occupational skills training, customized training, on-the-job training, and, new under WIOA, incumbent worker training and transitional employment opportunities.
- Establish and develop relationships and networks with large and small employers and their intermediaries.
- Develop, convene or implement industry or sector partnerships.