



WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA)

OUT OF SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT SCREENING/ASSESSMENT POLICY

Out of School Youth must be determined eligible by not attending any school (as defined under State law *); not younger than age 16 or older than age 24 and one or more of the following Barriers:

- (1) Youth is a School Dropout – Documented by School Records or Applicant Statement
- (2) 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.
- (3) Youth recipient of a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent who is a low income individual.
- (4) Youth is Basic Skills Deficient – Reading or Math below the 9th grade level documented by TABE
- (5) Youth English language learner
- (6) Youth who is subject to the juvenile or adult justice system
- (7) Youth is homeless
- (8) Youth is Pregnant or Parenting – Documented by Doctors Statement or Birth Certificate
- (9) Youth is disabled
- (10) Youth who requires additional assistance to complete an educational program, or to secure or hold employment.
- (11) Youth who economically disadvantaged **and** who are the recipient of a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent **and** are either basic skills deficient or an English language learner **and** require additional assistance to enter or complete an education program or to secure or hold employment.

* Youth enrolled in an Adult Education Program (ABE) or GED are considered to be not-attending school and are defined as out of school.