

The WorklNdiana program allows you to earn an Indiana High School Equivalency diploma and a career certificate at the same time. Pick from 30 different certificates, ranging from Certified Nurse Assistant to Computer Technician. www.in.gov/dwd/adulted_workin.htm

■ Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship

The Office of Work-Based Learning and Apprenticeship serves to develop and implement a framework of various work-based learning pathways for both youth and adult populations. The office concentrates on three objectives:

- Coordinate efforts and partner with the U.S. Department of Labor to expand registered apprenticeships in the state of Indiana.
- Develop and implement a framework of work-based learning pathways with a focus on the state's key economic sectors and regional highwage, high-demand occupations.
- Build public-private partnerships statewide to increase business and industry engagement with education systems based on local economic needs.

Who is the program for?

OWBLA is best suited to work with employers and education providers interested in building work-based learning programs to establish and fill their workforce pipeline. Individuals interested in registered apprenticeships or other work-based learning opportunities should contact their local Work One Center and/or visit www.apprenticeship.gov.

How does someone qualify for the program?

Registered apprenticeship and State Earn and Learn programs are approved and/or certified by the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship and the OWBLA based on program development and standards. Individuals interested in participating in the programs will need to contact the entity that maintains "ownership" of the program, which is typically an education provider or business.

How do I apply/enroll in the program?

Employers and education providers should view our website at **www.INwbl. com** for additional information and email **wbl@dwd.in.gov** to be connected with a regional director best suited to address your needs.