



POLICY MANUAL

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POLICY: YOUTH REQUIRING ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO COMPLETE AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM OR TO SECURE AND HOLD EMPLOYMENT

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INTRODUCTION

Under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), no more than five percent (5%) of Youth required to be low-income in a given program year may be found eligible for WIOA services based solely on meeting the criterion, "requires additional assistance to complete an educational program, or to secure and hold employment." The Workforce Development Board (WDB) is responsible for establishing local definitions and eligibility documentation requirements for what constitutes "requires additional assistance" as it relates to both In-school youth (ISY) and low-income Out-of school youth (OSY). The local policy should be reasonable, quantifiable, and based on evidence that the specific characteristic of the youth identified in the policy objectively "requires additional assistance".

BACKGROUND

WIOA allows local areas to provide services to youth who are low-income but do not meet one of the program barriers for youth eligibility. These participants are considered youth who need additional assistance to succeed in their educational and employment goals.

REFERENCES

- Title 20 Code of Federal Regulations Part 681.250, 681.300, and 681.310
- WIOA Section 129
- San Bernardino County Workforce Development Department Program Guide

POLICY

WDB defines ISY and/or OSY who "require additional assistance to complete an educational program, or to secure and hold employment" as youth who:

- Are low-income individual, and
- Meet the criterion found in the the State Plan and/or identified in the local Program Guide.