# Collaboration: A Win for Everyone!

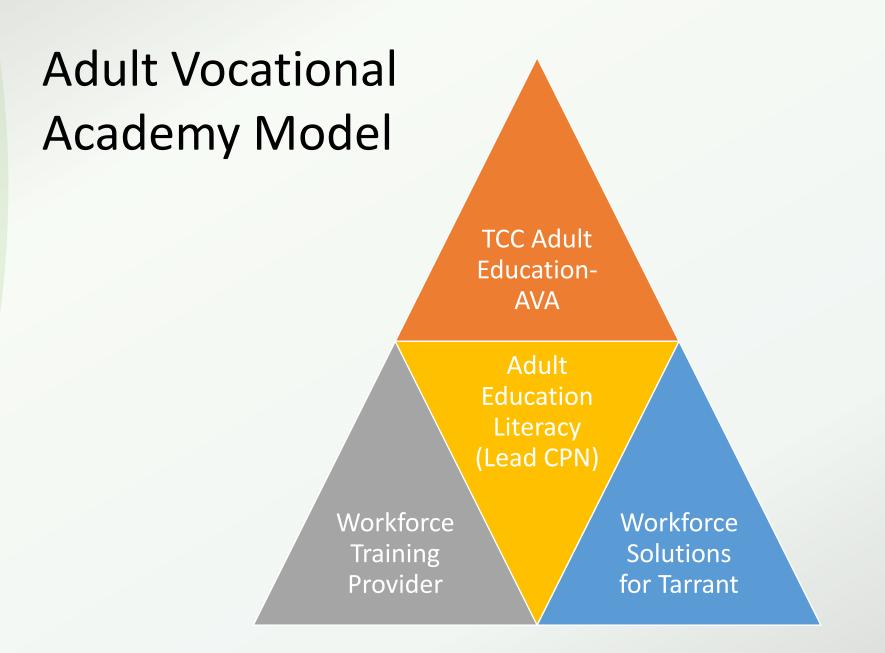
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# Why is it needed?

- Everyone working towards the same goals and performance
- Increase resources for both participants and programs
- The need for services increases each year
- Stretch funding



### **Standard Procedures**

Standard Operating Procedures Adult Vocational Academy 2019-2020

Effective 10/1/2019





# Title I vs Title II: Co-enrollment model

## How do we make this work?

### Merging Program processes and forms

- One Orientation Process
- Dual Required Eligibility Forms (Certified WIOA App vs AEL enrollment form)
- One Docusign packet with all forms
- One common file folder
- Shared Service Plan (IEP) vs Goal Setting (ITEC)

### **Minimizing Hurdles**



Co-location/Co-Case Management

Sharing Basic Skills Assessments

Needs Assessment / Barrier
 Removal



### Career Exploration

### Business Services Connection

### Wrap Around Services

**Braided Funding** 

Average Training Cost per Student is \$3,700.

Training cost divided between WIOA Center Funding and AEL Funding.

### **Co-enrollment Staffing**

**One AEL Career Navigator (full-time for Academy Model)** 

- Outreach and Recruitment
- Primary contact for Training/Support Instructor
- Shared duties with Career Counselor

### **One WIOA** Career Counselor

- Provide Wrap Around Services
- Industry Expert
- Shared duties with AEL Navigator



#### **Career Counselor Job Description**

#### **Direct Customer Support**

- Assists in the deliver of workforce services to customers at the Career Center
- Interviews customers to assess the skills and education levels and overall needs
- Initiates, as necessary, the assessment and evaluation of customer skills and abilities and interprets the information
- Develops, as necessary, a career plan through the Individual Employment Plan, and ensures the plan includes relevant
  goals to assist the customers in achieving the career objectives.
- Provides active case management and engage the customers in meaningful and relevant activities and maintains customer contact as required
- Follows up with customers engaged in workforce activities and as required makes appropriate data entry for recording and tracking customers' progress
- Follows up with customers referred to employment opportunities (job referrals) and/or educational completion (credentials) regularly
- Identifies customers' support services needs and provides assistance in a timely manner, or refer customers to other resources in the community; ensures customers have the necessary support to stay engaged and complete workforce activities and successfully placed in employment
- As necessary, provides customers information on Labor Market and employment trends, and refers them to the Business Service Unit for employment opportunities (i.e., job development, work experience, community service, etc.); refers customers, as appropriate to other services in the Career Center or community
- Uses reports from TWIST/WIT to assist in the management of customers' activities and caseload (i.e., TWIST Inactive report etc.)
- Ensures proper exiting of cases according to policy and procedure
- Accountable for self-monitoring of caseload and maintaining the accuracy of data, the integrity of the case file and the confidentiality of the customers' information
- Provides excellent customer service to Center customers
- Performs other duties as assigned

#### **Coordination and Communication**

- Responsible for meeting and exceeding applicable performance measures
- Identifies barriers that would prevent a successful engagement of the customers
- May determine customer eligibility for program services and activities
- Directs and connects customers to available resources at the Career Center or in the community
- Ensures customers are tracked timely and effectively to ensure performance goals are met and exceeded

#### Administration

- · Ensures that services provided to customers are data entered in the appropriate databases using real time data entry
- Data enters all services according to policies and procedures in a timely manner and as required by policies and procedures

#### Sample Navigator Job Description (Academy Model)

#### Essential responsibilities and functions include: Marketing and Recruitment

- · Develop recruitment and marketing materials for integrated career pathway program
- · Coordinate and implement outreach and recruitment strategy for integrated career pathway program
- · Strengthen connections with adult education and workforce programs on campus and in community
- · Expand network of campus and community service providers
- · Expand network of employers and business organizations in targeted career pathway industry sector

#### **Direct Student Support**

- Establish positive and trusting relationships with students
- · Connect students to college admissions processes, including financial aid, academic advising, and academic and student support services
- Identify potential sources of financial and in-kind support to underwrite enrollment
- Monitor student progress and meet with students regarding academic progress
- · Present and/or coordinate workshops on a variety of topics that supplement and support instructional curriculum
- · Foster student accountability, self-advocacy, self-awareness, and effective use of resources
- · Provide opportunities for students and their families to attend social and cultural events on campus

#### **Coordination and Communication**

- · Establish and maintain effective working partnerships with multiple stakeholders-
  - Board CPC
  - Partner CPNs
  - Contextualized Teachers
  - Training Program Instructors
- Work collaboratively and maintain regular communication with career pathway instructional classes such as Workplace Literacy, Internationally Trained English Language Learners, Transitions, Integrated IET, IET, ESL and HSE programs.
- Track student attendance in TEAMS, behavior, and progress (completion of training in TEAMS). TEAMS Data Entry responsibilities not yet
  assigned to CPNs.
- Communicate regularly with key staff at community partner organizations and work collaboratively to develop and strengthen student support networks, referrals and recruitment pipelines
- · Develop opportunities for students to gain real world information and exposure to targeted career pathway
- · Coordinate services with relevant college departments and community agencies
- · Facilitate transition of students to credit courses, connecting them with student services and academic and support programs
- · Attend academic advising trainings and department and division meetings

#### Administration

- · Maintain system for tracking students along career and education pathway
- · Participate in exploring and identifying funding sources that are suitable to the activity
- Assemble and update Navigator program resources
- · Solicit student feedback on and experience with career pathway program
- Track TEAMS Workforce Training hours, and Workforce Preparation Activities that are separate from the IET.
- Understand Classification of Instructional Programs and Standard Occupational Classification systems and codes
- Understand the ETPS (eligible training provider system), and labor market information systems and resources

### **Shared Required Performance Outcomes**

- Initial target measures are higher for WIOA than AEL
- Performance Measures are the same
- Follow up Services are required

# QUESTIONS ??

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