## **Workforce Competitiveness from Classroom to Community**



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## How Much Am I Worth?





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#### The Workforce Ecosystem: A Better Approach





**Saves Money** 

**Saves Time** 

**Reduces Risk** 





**Enhances Instruction** 

**Boosts Placement** 

**Improves Compliance** 





**Retain & Grow Jobs** 

**Expand Quality of Life** 

**Boost Community Image** 



## **Labor Supply and Job Candidate Pipeline**



Workforce System Reform and WIOA



**Integrated Work Readiness Features** 

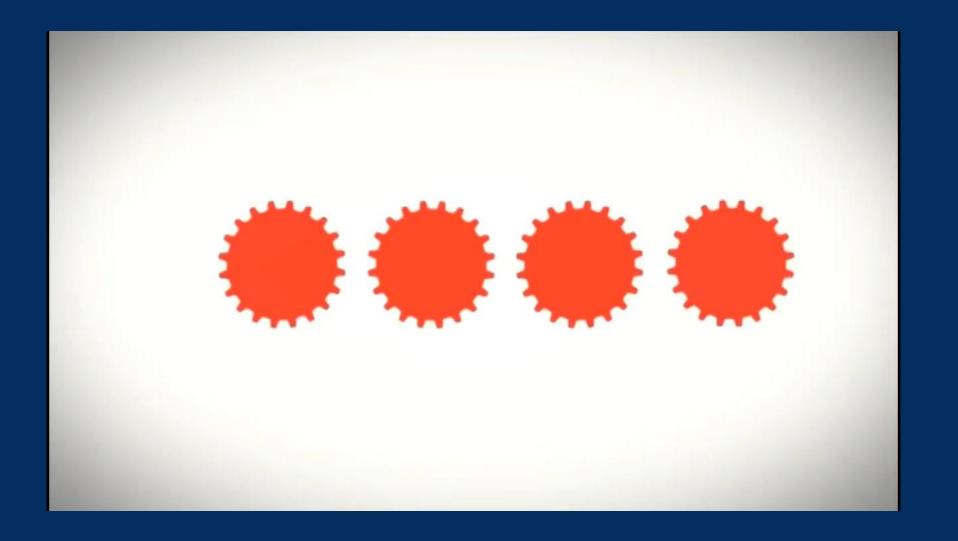
Adult Education Matters to Local Workforce Success



## Integrated Work Readiness System







# WorkKeys® Work Readiness Features for Adult Education



Boost confidence in learning and testing

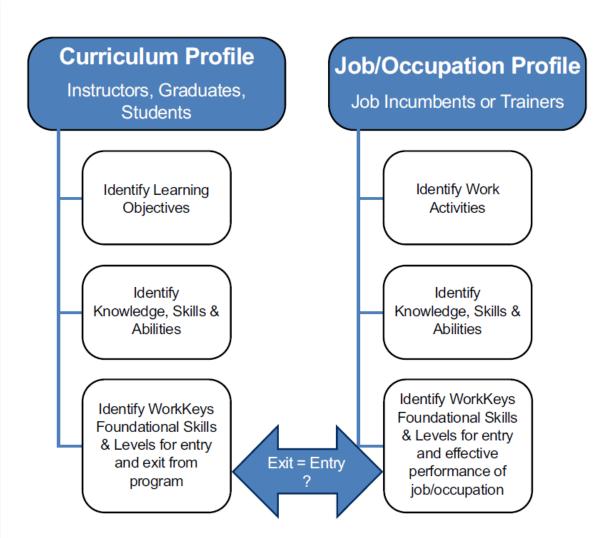


Layering career credentials in AEL



Direct paths to career training and jobs





#### **Alignment**

Instructors & Incumbents/Trainers

Match Learning
Objectives & Work
Activities

Match Knowledge, Skills & Abilities

Remaining Areas

Trained by Educators or Company?

Revisions to Training and/or Curriculum?

## Profiling Jobs and Curriculum



#### **WorkKeys® Skill Level Growth by STEM Expedition®**

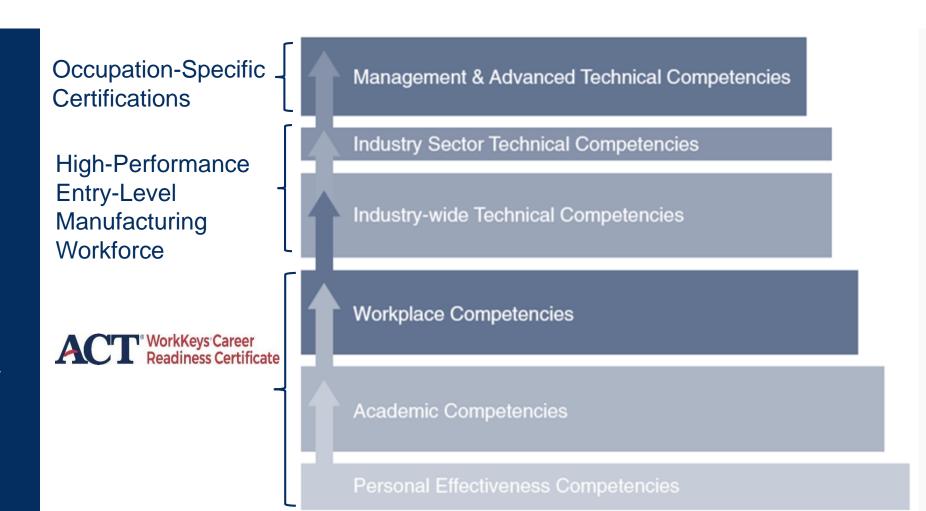
STEM Expeditions®	APPLIED MATH		GRAPHIC LITERACY		WORKPLACE DOCUMENTS	
(Sample One Year Set)	Entry	Exit	Entry	Exit	Entry	Exit
Creative Composites	3	4	3	4	3	3
Flight Dynamics	4	4	3	4	3	3
<b>Everyday Electricity</b>	4	5	3	4	3	3



Source: Pittsco Education pitsco.com

### Stackable Credentials Leveraging WorkKeys®

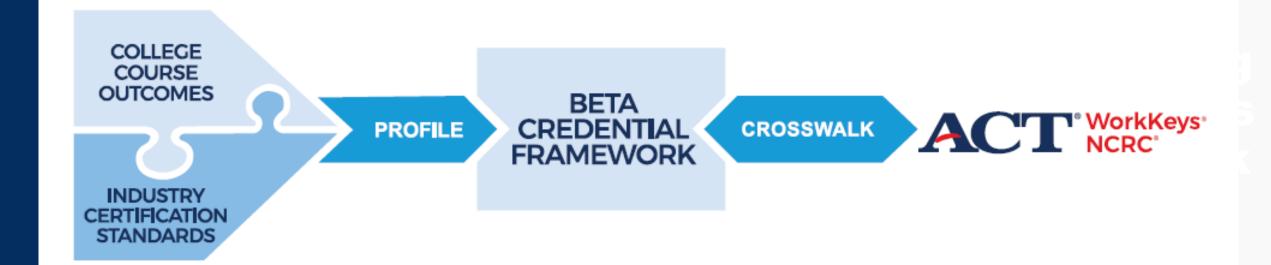
## Opportunity for Adult Education







## **Crosswalk with Connecting Credentials Framework**





### **NCRC Helps Learners Become Earners**



increase with Gold/Platinum NCRC



increase with Silver NCRC



increase with Bronze NCRC

http://bit.ly/2F8T3Wb



## **Ohio Job and Training Placement**

ADDING THE NATIONAL CAREER READINESS CERTIFICATE™ (NCRC) RESULTED IN:



90%

pass rate

Certified Production Technician (CPT) credential – 9% higher than the national average



6%

greater employment rate

for those who earned both the NCRC and CPT versus those who did not



80%

placement

in new jobs or training/education



50¢

per-hour salary increase

with select employees



https://bit.ly/2sBocww

#### **North Carolina**





## Indiana Demand Job Growth and Skills Sample of Annual Projected Openings with NCRC Levels



Team Assembly

2760



Truck Drivers

1440



Laborers & Stock Movers

2610



Nursing Assistants

1140



Registered Nurses

2510



Maint./Repair Workers

1100



**Customer Service Reps** 

1550



Accountants & Auditors

890











#### **EASTMAN**





















## **Case Studies**

Research

**Videos** 

Holistic Framework





## Building a Local Workforce Ecosystem









## **Improve WIOA compliance**



Increase performance



**Boost confidence of students** 



Leverage resources

How Workforce Ecosystem Helps Adult Education



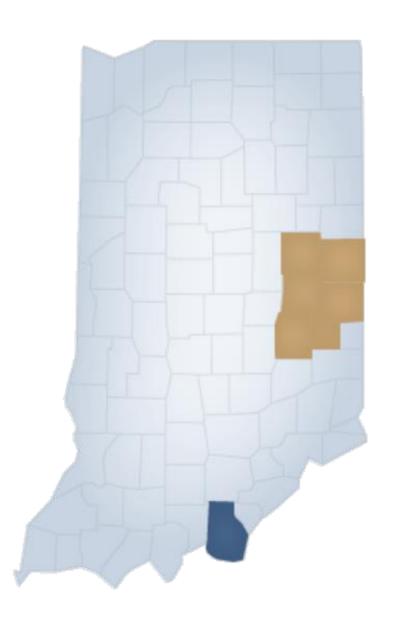
**Work Ready Communities** 

Roadmap to Success





## Indiana Work Ready Overview





#### ACT WORKKEYS NCRC LEVELS

<ul><li>Platinum</li></ul>	758
Gold 2	7,900
■ Silver	77,737
■ Bronze	24,542
TOTAL 13	80,937
JOB PROFILES COMPLETED (1)	963
EMPLOYERS SLIPPORTING	259

ACT WorkKeys NCRC Data: 01-01-2006 - 03-31-2018



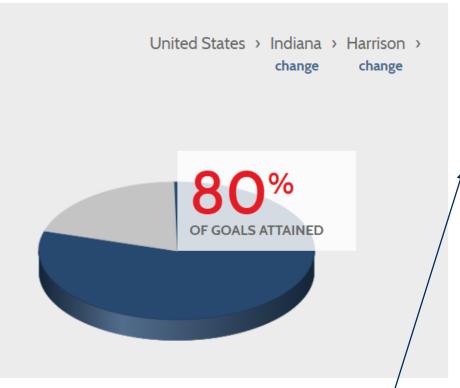




#### HARRISON COUNTY

Harrison County is a participating
Work Ready Community that is
actively engaged in earning their
certified status.

Showing: Jan 1, 2012 to Mar 31, 2018 Goals updated only for participating counties



Workforce	Goals	Actual NCRC
Emerging 🗸	108	121
Current	45	63
Transitioning	134	70
Workforce category not identified		0

	Goals	Actual
Employers Supporting	33	37 🛈

AEL completers represented in *Transitioning* goal



## Tracking & Promoting Employer Support



#### EMPLOYERS IN HARRISON COUNTY RECOGNIZE OR RECOMMEND THE ACT WORKKEYS NCRC

- Tyson Foods Inc
- Jasper Engines & Transmissions & Jasper Innovative Solutions
- Preferred Popcorn
- Olde Town Strore
- Schmidt Cabinet Creations
- Briarwood Custom Cabinets
- Blue River Services Inc
- Giacomo's
- Wright Implement LLC
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Harrison-Crawford Counties
- Areva Pharmaceuticals
- Peyton Technical Services

ALL EMPLOYERS SUPPORTING ▶

- Lucas Oil Products
- White House Candy Co.
- Horseshoe Southern Indiana
- Leadership Harrison County
- Hoosier Hollywood Development LLC
- First Capital Tourism Development Corp. dba Harrison County Convention & Visitors Bureau
- T.K. Wholesale LLC
- Harrison County Hospital
- Old Capital Veterinary Hospital
- Turtle Run Winery
- Howard Packaging Inc
- Bennett & Bennett Insurance Inc.
- Ramsey Popcorn Co Inc

WHY SHOULD YOUR BUSINESS SUPPORT? >

DOES YOUR BUSINESS SUPPORT JOB APPLICANTS WITH AN ACT WORKKEYS NATIONAL CAREER READINESS CERTIFICATE?
PLEASE JOIN THIS LIST.















High Profile Employers of Choice Interest in Specific Employers Interest in Specific Job Sector









## **Next Steps**



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- Recruit Champions
- Apply to WRC & Boot Camp



- Boot Camp Training/Planning
- Implement Custom Plan



- ACT Support at All Stages
- Celebrate & Leverage Success



## **WRC Boot Camp Training**

Nashville 2018
August 1-2 and October 1-2

2018-2019 Little Rock November 7-8 and January 9-10

Omaha 2019
February 20-21 and April 24-25

**Atlanta 2019 May 15-16 and July 18-19** 

Urging
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