

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
FUNDED UNDER THEADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY ACT
(WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT, TITLE II)

The Utah State Board of Education (USBE) announces the availability of multiyear federal grants for: (1) English Language Acquisition, Adult Basic Education, and Adult High School Completion; (2) Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education; and (3) Prison/Institutionalized. Eligible agencies having demonstrated effectiveness in providing adult education and literacy activities that may apply include but are not limited to local education agencies (school districts), community-based organizations , faith-based organizations, volunteer literacy organizations, institutions of higher education, public or private nonprofit agencies, libraries, public housing authorities, nonprofit institutions that have not previously been listed as having the ability to provide adult education literacy and services to eligible adults, a consortium or coalition of the agencies, institutions, libraries, or authorities, or a partnership between an employer and an entity described above.

The term "adult education" means academic instruction and education services below the postsecondary level that increases an individual's ability to read, write, and speak in English and perform mathematics or other activities necessary for the attainment of a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent; transition to postsecondary education and training, and obtain employment. An eligible individual must have attained 16 years of age; not be enrolled or required to be enrolled in secondary school under State law; is basic educational skills deficient; does not have a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent and has not achieved an equivalent level of education; or is an English Language Learner.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Competition Technical Assistance Webinar will be held in a hybrid setting on January 20, 2026, at the SLC Public Safety Building (475 S. 300 E. SLC, UT 84111) from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Registration for the meeting is required and can be found at
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9jF_QUWDfN7cGyuRMP3NoOa-5numDQjoxjniNA4u07gC-eA/viewform?usp=header. Meeting information will be sent to all registrants via email no later than Monday, January 19, 2026.

Application materials, policies, and criteria for submitting proposals are available on the USBE Adult Education website at <https://schools.utah.gov/adulteducation?mid=2654&tid=4> under the "AEFLA/WIOA Competition" tab. Completed Demonstrated Effectiveness applications must be submitted to Merick Masters (merick.masters@schools.utah.gov) by 5:00 p.m. on February 12, 2026, to be eligible for 2026-2027 funding. Questions should be directed to Alesha LeMmon, State Adult Education Director, (801) 538-7943.