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# BROOME-TIOGA WORKFORCE NY YOUTH ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE DEFINITION

**PURPOSE:** To clarify and provide guidance to program staff in determining eligibility for youth program services under the "Needs Additional Assistance" definition. "Additional Assistance" barrier is different for In-School youth and Out of School youth per WIOA (Sections 129(a)(1)(B)(iii)(VIII), (a)(1)(C)(iv)(VII), (a)(3)(B)

**REQUIRED**: Either the State or the local level may establish definitions and eligibility documentation requirements for the "requires additional assistance to complete an educational program, or to secure and hold employment" criterion of <u>§ 681.220(d)(8)</u>. The specific needs additional assistance characteristics should be different than WIOA Youth Program eligibility barriers.

If a LWDB chooses to use the needs additional assistance criteria for eligibility, policies must be developed for:

**In-School criteria:** "to complete an educational program or to secure and hold employment"

**Note**: Needs Additional Assistance Criteria is limited to 5% of newly enrolled ISY in each program year

**Out of School youth:** "to enter or complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment"

To be eligible for WIOA Youth program services under Additional Assistance criteria, the youth must also be LOW INCOME



# Eligibility for youth services under WIOA

#### **OUT OF SCHOOL YOUTH**

#### IN SCHOOL YOUTH Ages 14-21 and LOW INCOME

Ages 16-24	Ages 14-21 and LOW INCOME
Requirement	Requirement
One or more of following:	One or more of following:
School dropout	Basic Skills Deficient
<ul> <li>Within age of compulsory school attendance, but has not attended for at least the most recent complete school year calendar quarter</li> <li>Subject to the juvenile or adult justice system</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>An English language learner</li> <li>An offender</li> <li>Homeless, or Runaway, or Foster Child, or child eligible for assistance under Section 477 of SSA, or in an out-of-home placement</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Homeless, or Runaway, or Foster</li> <li>Child, or child eligible for assistance</li> <li>under Section 477 of SSA, or in an</li> <li>out-of-home placement</li> <li>Specify:</li> </ul>	Specify: 
<ul> <li>Pregnant or Parenting</li> <li>Individual with a disability</li> </ul>	Requires additional assistance to enter or complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment
* LOW INCOME	
<ul> <li>* -Has high school or HSE diploma, and is basic skills deficient (must be low income)</li> <li>* - Has high school or HSE diploma and is and English language learner (must be low income)</li> <li>* - Requires additional assistance to enter or complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment (must be low income)</li> </ul>	



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### **REQUIRES ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE DEFINITIONS:**

# OUT OF SCHOOL YOUTH

Ages 16-24

## IN SCHOOL YOUTH Ages 14-21 and LOW INCOME

MUST BE LOW INCOME	In each local area, not more than five percent of the ISY newly enrolled in a given program year may be eligible based on the "requires additional assistance to complete an educational program or to secure or hold employment" criterion. Up to 25% of Local WIOA Youth Employment Program funding can be spent on ISY.
Has never held a job	Has poor attendance patterns in an educational program during the last 12 calendar months
Has been fired from a job with the 12 months prior to program application	Has been expelled from school within the last 12 calendar months
Has never held a full time (30+ hrs/wk) job for more than 13 consecutive weeks	Has been suspended from school within the last 12 calendar months
Has dropped out of a post-secondary educational program during the past 12 calendar months	Has below average grades of less than a "C" grade point average
Has a currently incarcerated parent(s)/guardian	Has previously been placed in out-of- home care (foster care, group home, or kinship care) for more than 6 months between the ages of 14-21
Has recently experienced traumatic events, is a victim of abuse, or resides in an abusive environment as documented by a school official or professional	Has a currently incarcerated parent(s)/guardian
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