



WORKFORCE READY GRANT

WHO: The Workforce Ready Grant provides free job training for Hoosiers who:

- 1) Are an **Indiana resident** AND a **U.S. citizen** (or eligible non-citizen)
- 2) Have a high school diploma (or equivalent) but less than a college degree
- 3) Enroll in a qualifying certificate program in a high-demand job sector

WHAT: Launched as part of Governor Eric Holcomb's *Next Level Jobs* initiative, the Workforce Ready Grant pays for tuition-free certificates in five job sectors:

- Advanced Manufacturing
- Building & Construction
- Health & Life Sciences
- IT & Business Services
- Transportation & Logistics

WHEN: The Indiana General Assembly created the Workforce Ready Grant for working-age Hoosiers in 2017, beginning with financially-independent students (typically 24 years and older) and expanded the program in 2018 to students 18 years and older.

WHERE: Workforce Ready Grant-eligible certificates are currently available at Ivy Tech Community College and Vincennes University locations statewide.

WHY: Too many Hoosiers lack the skills for the jobs that are here today and being created tomorrow—nearly all of which require education and training beyond high school.

- 99% of jobs created since the recession require education beyond high school
- 85,000+ jobs unfilled now because Indiana employers can't find skilled workers
- 1 million job vacancies over the next 10 years as Baby Boomers retire

Free Training + Better Jobs = A Stronger Indiana











