

Board Meeting
Via Zoom
Tuesday, December 3rd
@5:30 pm

Okanogan Quarterly Performance Report July 1, 2024 – September 30, 2024

Open Doors, Open for Business!

Washington State's 1418 Open Doors program is a reengagement system that provides education and services to older youth, ages 16-21, who have dropped out of school or are not expected to graduate from high school by the age of 21. SkillSource has operated Open Doors programs for young adults in Wenatchee, Moses Lake, and Othello, resulting in hundreds of graduates over the years. This fall, it was finally Omak's turn as WorkSource Okanogan began offering Open Doors in the Omak Learning Center, in partnership with the Okanogan School District. As of this writing, nineteen students are already enrolled!

This program receives referrals from throughout Okanogan, Douglas and Ferry Counties, including students from Okanogan, Omak, Tonasket, Oroville, Brewster, Bridgeport, Pateros, Lake Roosevelt, Mansfield, Methow Valley and Republic school districts. Additionally, youth are referred to WLC through Okanogan County Juvenile Center and other community partners, including Omak's local WorkSource office, the Department of Social and Health Services, and Omak's Foundation for Youth Recovery and Engagement. Orientations are held every other Monday starting at noon.

The learning center utilizes a self-paced learning format where students use Odysseyware, an interactive educational computer system, in coordination with subject specific tutoring sessions, field trips, and one-on-one assistance from instructors to improve academic skills and prepare students to obtain a high school equivalency certificate or high school diploma, and then receive assistance to obtain employment or enter post-secondary education in cooperation with the WIOA Title I programs.

Open Doors program instructor Chad Peterson is heading up this new learning experience, with WorkSource Okanogan career counselor Ana Soto providing case management and an AmeriCorps volunteer assisting in the classroom. It's not all drudgery and boring lessons for the Open Doors students; Chad makes sure they have plenty of fun as they learn.



Chad (far left) and the Open Doors students celebrate Halloween.



The Open Doors program provides flexible learning opportunities and meets students where they are at. We look forward to many graduates and successes in the future. Thank you to the many people who worked hard to make this happen.

| Registration & Exit | YTD Actual | Annual Goal | | | | | | |
|---|------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Total Served | 125 | 345 | | | | | | |
| Adults | | | | | | | | |
| Registered | 36 | 59 | | | | | | |
| Placement Rate (% employed at exit) | 100% | 80% | | | | | | |
| Credential Rate (% trained in voc ed who earn a credential) | 83% | 82% | | | | | | |
| Dislocated Workers | | | | | | | | |
| Registered | 11 | 24 | | | | | | |
| Placement Rate (% employed at exit) | 83% | 81% | | | | | | |
| Credential Rate (% trained in voc ed who earn a credential) | _ | 81% | | | | | | |
| Youth | | | | | | | | |
| Registered | 9 | 36 | | | | | | |
| Placement Rate (% of youth employed or in post sec ed) | 100% | 65% | | | | | | |
| Credential Rate (% youth who achieved a HSD or GED) | 100% | 51% | | | | | | |

Discretionary Grant Enrollments: Federal EcSA: 6/6; State EcSA 29/17

| Participants in Occupational Education | 24-25 Students (YTD) | | | | 23-24 Students (Year Total) | | | |
|---|----------------------|-----|-------------|-------|-----------------------------|-----|-------------|-------|
| | Big Bend | WVC | WVC Omak | Other | Big Bend | WVC | WVC Omak | Other |
| Health Care | 22 | 21 | 17 | 11 | 17 | 17 | 13 | 15 |
| Office/Misc | 7 | 8 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 9 |
| Industrial & Technical | 7 | 10 | 0 | 28 | 12 | 6 | 0 | 63 |

| Workforce Investment Fiscal | Budget | Expenditures | Expenditure Rate | Obligation Rate |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Career Services * | 799,060 | 174,548 | 22% | 90% |
| Work Based Training | | | | |
| On-The-Job/Incumbent Worker Training | 69,660 | 8,690 | 12% | 31% |
| Work Experiences/Project Learning | 94,028 | 28,233 | 30% | 30% |
| Occupational Education | 104,500 | 14,100 | 13% | 91% |
| Healthcare | | 2,100 | | |
| Office/Other | | 0 | | |
| Industrial/Technical | | 12,000 | | |
| Basic Education | | | | |
| Secondary Education | 120,649 | 29,812 | 25% | 99% |
| Computer Basics | 49,485 | 13,059 | 26% | 106% |
| Support and Incentives | 330,475 | 23,644 | 7% | 75% |
| Total | 1,567,857 | 292,086 | 19% | 82% |