

# KEY WORKFORCE PREPARATION PROGRAMS

### 4 MAJOR EFFORTS

- REGIONAL WORKFORCE GRANTS
- Workforce training at colleges and universities
- CARL PERKINS
- CAREER PATHWAYS INITIATIVE

#### REGIONAL WORKFORCE GRANTS

- \$15.2 MILLION (BIENNIAL)
- ~8,855 STUDENTS SERVED
- REQUIRES REGIONAL ALIGNMENT BETWEEN EMPLOYERS, K-12, AND COLLEGES
- REQUIRES MEASURABLE OUTCOMES AND PARTNERSHIP ASSESSMENTS
- Current projects conclude June 2020. What comes next?

## WORKFORCE TRAINING AT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

- PROGRAMS DO NOT RECEIVE DIRECT FUNDING
- ~65,000 STUDENTS ANNUALLY (DUPLICATED)
- PROGRAMS LEADING TO CREDIT CREDENTIALS MUST BE APPROVED BY ADHE'S
   COORDINATING BOARD AND REQUIRE EVIDENCE OF BOTH INDUSTRY AND STUDENT DEMAND
- ADHE CONDUCTS REGULAR PROGRAM REVIEWS TO MONITOR OUTCOMES AND STUDENT SUCCESS

#### CARL PERKINS

- \$2.6 MILLION ANNUALLY
- 25,536 PERKINS ELIGIBLE STUDENTS STATEWIDE; ALL STUDENTS IN CTE PROGRAMS BENEFIT FROM PROGRAM FUNDING
- FUNDS ARE EXPENDED BASED ON ELIGIBILITY, PERFORMANCE, AND IN RESPONSE TO NEEDS OF LOCAL BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY
- COLLEGES COLLABORATE WITH LOCAL ADVISORY BOARDS, WIOA PARTNERS, LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES, AND THROUGH BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY LOCAL INITIATIVES

#### CAREER PATHWAYS INITIATIVE

- \$7.15 MILLION ANNUALLY
- ~4,000 STUDENTS ANNUALLY
- 22 COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND 3 TECHNICAL CENTERS
- EVIDENCE BASED APPROACH THAT HAS PRODUCED OUTSTANDING RESULTS FOR MOVING ARKANSANS OUT OF POVERTY

#### KEY PARTNERS

- ARKANSAS CAREER EDUCATION
  - ADULT EDUCATION
  - SECONDARY CAREER CENTERS
  - CAREER COACHES
  - CARL PERKINS
  - ADVANCING CAREER PATHWAYS SYSTEMS PROJECT
  - OFFICE OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING GRANTS
- ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
  - EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS
  - REGIONAL WORKFORCE TRAINING GRANTS
- DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES
  - CAREER PATHWAYS INITIATIVE

#### MOVING FORWARD

- GIVE NEW INITIATIVES TIME TO WORK
  - REGIONAL WORKFORCE GRANTS
  - ARKANSAS FUTURE GRANTS
  - WORKFORCE CHALLENGE GRANTS
  - PRODUCTIVITY FUNDING MODEL
- FOCUS ON MESSAGING TO STUDENTS, PARENTS, EDUCATORS, AND INDUSTRY
  - THE PROGRAMS EXIST
  - THE FUNDING IS AVAILABLE
  - THE CAREER OUTLOOK IS PROMISING
  - ALL POST-SECONDARY TRAINING IS "COLLEGE"