

(a) Provide incentives for the coordination of the Business-Labor-Education Partnership for Training Program with related efforts under the—

(1) National Tech-Prep Education Program in 34 CFR part 405;

(2) State-Administered Tech-Prep Education Program in 34 CFR part 406; and

(3) JTPA; and

(b) May only include, in addition to the activities described in § 403.32(a)(27) through (30),—

(1) Training and retraining of instructional and guidance personnel;

(2) Curriculum development and the development or acquisition of instructional and guidance equipment and materials;

(3) Acquisition and operation of communications and telecommunications equipment and other high technology equipment for programs authorized by this part;

(4) Other activities authorized by title III of the Act as may be essential to the successful establishment and operation of projects, services, and activities under the Business-Labor-Education Partnership for Training Program, including activities and related services to ensure access of women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and economically disadvantaged individuals; and

(5) Providing vocational education to individuals in order to assist their entry into, or advancement in, high-technology occupations or to meet the technological need of other industries or businesses.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 2392(b) and 2393 (a), (d)(1))

**§ 403.171 Who is eligible to apply to a State board for an award?**

(a) The State board awards subgrants or contracts to partnerships between—

(1) An area vocational education school, a State agency, a local educational agency, a secondary school funded by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, an institution of higher education, a State corrections educational agency, or an adult learning center; and

(2) Business, industry, labor organizations, or apprenticeship programs.

(b) A partnership receiving an award from a State board must include as

partners at least one entity from paragraph (a)(1) of this section and at least one entity from paragraph (a)(2) of this section, and may include more than one entity from each group.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 2392(a)(1))

**§ 403.172 What special considerations must the State board give in approving projects, services, and activities?**

The State board, in approving projects, services, and activities assisted under the Business-Labor-Education Partnership Training Program, shall give special consideration to the following:

(a) The level and degree of business and industry participation in the development and operation of the program.

(b) The current and projected demand within the State or relevant labor market area for workers with the level and type of skills the program is designed to produce.

(c) The overall quality of the proposal, with particular emphasis on the probability of successful completion of the program by prospective trainees and the capability of the eligible recipient, with assistance from participating business or industry, to provide high quality training for skilled workers and technicians in high technology.

(d) The commitment to serve, as demonstrated by special efforts to provide outreach, information, and counseling, and by the provision of remedial instruction and other assistance, all segments of the population, including women, minorities, individuals with disabilities, and economically disadvantaged individuals.

(e) Projects, services, and activities to provide vocational education for individuals who have attained 55 years of age in order to assist their entry into, or advancement in, high-technology occupations or to meet the technological needs of other industries or businesses.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 2393-(b) and (d)(2))

**§ 403.173 What expenses are allowable?**

The State board shall use funds awarded under the Business-Labor-Education Partnership for Training Program only for—