

Delta WIA
Attainment of Basic Skills
Youth Policy

Effective June 15, 2004

DELTA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AREA

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The Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Title I, Section 101(4) defines the term "basic skills deficient" as meaning, with respect to the individual, that the individual computes or solves problems, reads, writes, or speaks English at or below the 8th grade level or is unable to compute or solve problems, read, write, or speak English at a level necessary to function on the job, in the individual's family, or in society. If a participant is basic skills deficient, a minimum of one basic skills goal must be set.

In order to successfully attain the basic skill goal of the Delta Workforce Investment Area, a participant who scores the following grade levels on the TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education) pretest:

8.9 or below must demonstrate through the TABE posttest a gain of one or more educational functioning levels from the starting level measured on entry into the program (TABE pre-test).

9.0-10.9 must demonstrate a gain of one educational functioning level on the TABE posttest.

Educational functioning levels are the following:

Beginning ABE Literacy

Test Benchmark:

TABE (7-8) scale scores (grade level 0-1.9)

Reading: 367 and below

Total Math: 313 and below

Language: 391 and below

Beginning Basic Education

Test Benchmark:

TABE (7-8) scale scores (grade level 2-3.9)

Reading: 368-460

Total Math: 314-441

Language: 392-490

Low Intermediate Basic Education

Test Benchmark:

TABE (7-8) scale scores (grade level 4-5.9)

Reading: 461-517

Total Math: 442-505

Language: 491-523

High Intermediate Basic Education

Test Benchmark:

TABE (7-8) scale scores (grade level 6-8.9)

Reading: 518-566

Total Math: 506-565

Language: 524-559

Low Adult Secondary Education

Test Benchmark:

TABE (7-8) scale scores (grade level 9-10.9)

Reading: 567-595

Total Math: 566-594

Language: 560-585

High Adult Secondary Education

Test Benchmark:


TABE (7-8) scale scores (grade level 11-12)

Reading: 596 and above

Total Math: 595 and above

Language: 586 and above

Approved by the Delta Workforce Investment Area Board on June 15, 2004.



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Date