



FAQs for Educational Opportunity Fair

How do I get started in a GED, ESL or Career Pathway program?

Filling out the Interest Form found on the WorkReadyU website will start the process.

Website: <https://www.dcccd.edu/cd/workreadyu>

Interest Form: <https://bit.ly/37Xnxdy>

Program Eligibility <https://www.dcccd.edu/cd/workreadyu/pages/eligibility.aspx>

- Valid Photo ID
- No Bachelor's Degree or Advanced Degree
- Age 16 or older*
- Resident of Dallas County

Is attending an orientation session mandatory?

Yes, attending an orientation is mandatory. Sessions are offered virtually or in-person.

What are the requirements for orientation?

Before attending your orientation session, students **must** obtain their student ID by filling out the [WorkReadyU Instant Registration Form](#). This will generate your Dallas College student ID number, which you will use to create your [eConnect](#) account. eConnect is the platform used to register for classes.

Required Documents (the following online documents will be introduced during orientation)

- Personal Identification Record Layout Form (PIRL)
- Goal Sheet (attached to PIRL)
- State ID

Will I be required to take an assessment?

Yes, you will be given an assessment called CASAS to determine your academic level. This provides important information for us to place you in a course program tailored to your needs. It's not a pass or fail kind of test. It's simply an assessment.

Who do I contact for additional information?

WorkReadyU@dcccd.edu or call 214-860-5902



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We are committed to providing individualized and specialized programs to assist Youth and Adults in navigating college and career paths that help them become emerging leaders.

Inspiring Tomorrow's Leaders (ITL) is a growing eight-year-old 501c3 organization that provides Workforce Development and Leadership Training to adults, youth, and veterans in underserved communities. We serve all demographics in the Dallas - Fort Worth Metroplex including surrounding cities by educating, developing, and empowering people through delivery of innovative holistic training. We attribute our success to the staff, and proven processes utilized for recruitment, prescreening, testing, assessment, orientation, case management, core training, job placement, coaching, follow-up, and evaluation.

ITL's two main programs:

Workforce Development - a skills and competencies based program with focus on industry specific skills, job development, placement, and retention. A graduation component and extensive follow-up ensures a high level of retention for those who attain gainful employment, including mentoring, action plans, home buyers coaching, and round table meetings to address life's on-going needs, challenges, and obstacles.

This **59-Hour Training Series** is comprised of an interactive all-inclusive approach to World Class Customer Service – 16 hours, Work Readiness – 8 hours, Leadership – 12 hours, Computer Fundamentals – 15 hours, and Financial Empowerment – 8 hours as well as customized Technical Training and pathways to Employment Placement specifically constructed for professionals.

Emerging Leaders - designed and customized for elementary through post-secondary students. Life skills are the foundation for learning, so students excel as servant leaders in the classroom and their local communities. In a comfortable learning environment, students engage in interactive, informative, and self-reflective sessions that conclude with extensive coaching and follow-up. Participants study under four different academies Leadership, Entrepreneurship, Financial Education, and Parent Connection.

Our mission is to inspire tomorrow's leaders for today's workforce to create generational legacies of education, job security & retention, and financial stability in our communities.

Candidates qualifying for these free skills-based training and industry certifications must meet the following requirements and provide the information listed below:

- ✓ Be unemployed or earn a salary less than \$37K
- ✓ Must be registered with Texas Work Force Commission
- ✓ Texas State Identification
- ✓ Social Security Card
- ✓ Proof of Income
- ✓ Birth Certificate for Children
- ✓ Proof of Unemployment
- ✓ Discharge Letter – Veterans
- ✓ Temporary Assistance for Needy Family (TANF)
- ✓ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Award (SNAP)
- ✓ Food Stamp Award Letter
- ✓ Disability Income Award Letter, if applicable

NOTE: Various funding sources may request different eligibility requirements.



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Transcend STEM Education Frequently Asked Questions:

Q. What courses do you offer?

A. We offer more than 360 fundamental and Career Training courses which cover the below areas of study:

[Arts and Design](#)

[Computer Applications](#)

[Computer Science](#)

[Construction and Trades](#)

[Health and Fitness](#)

[Hospitality](#)

[Information Technology](#)

[Language](#)

[Legal](#)

[Math and Science](#)

[Teacher Professional Development](#)

[Test Prep](#)

[Writing](#)

Q. Do I need a GED to qualify?

A. Most of our courses do not require a GED. However, those interested in GED, we offer GED prep classes.

Q. When is enrolment?

A. All our courses are open enrollment. You can register at any time. Courses are either self-paced or Instructor Led. For self-paced courses you can register and start the course whenever you are ready. Access to your course can take 24-48 business hours.



Instructor Led Courses start every month towards mid-month, start dates are posted on the learning platforms.

Q. Are courses live or videotaped?

A. No they are not. You will be given access to a team of tutors who are available via e-mail. They will answer any questions you may have. All tutors are successful, dedicated professionals in the field of study, some are active professors at universities across the country and others are subject matter experts with several years of experience. Courses are taught through our Online Platform where you can engage with your peers and/or your tutor, take quizzes and access course modules.

Courses are online and available 24/7 – 365 days a year.

Q. How much do the courses cost?

A. Pricing varies but eligible participants who qualify for our grant programs do not pay anything, the grant covers all the fee costs as well as learning materials.

Q. Can I use Financial Aid if I do not qualify for a grant?

A. NO – our courses are Industry Approved NOT Accredited; therefore, they do not qualify for Financial Aid. However, we offer loans, payment plans, scholarships and other financial assistance for Veterans and Military Spouses. We can also from time to time assist participants to get their employer to pay for their course

Q. How do I apply for a grant?

A. All applicant information is reviewed for grant qualification first, unless the participant opts to pay upfront.

Q. What do I need to enroll in a course?

A. Since all our courses are online, ALL participants need to have a Desk top computer or laptop. They also need an email address unique to each participant. Email addresses cannot be shared for course purposes. If a participant needs help setting up an email, we can provide that.

Q. Can I take my course on site?

A. We occasionally work with organizations that require on site facilitators, in that case we offer a facilitator, however, all courses are still online, the facilitator is NOT an instructor, they would just be there to assist in navigating the system and point participants in the right direction should they have any questions.

Q. How long are the courses?

A. Course duration varies from as little as 24 hours for fundamentals to as long as 24 months. Most of our certification courses run for 3-6 months. For self-paced courses, participants can set their own schedule and finish as fast as they can possibly pace themselves. All course platforms are available to participant 24/7 – 365 while participants are actively enrolled.

Q. What happens after I complete the course?

A. After course completion with a passing mark on the final exam, you will be prompted to print a certificate of completion. If the course is a career course that provides a certification credential, you will be provided with a course voucher via email which allows you to take your Certification Exam with an Accredited board such as Pearson Vue, or Microsoft or CompTIA or a Medical board depending on the course. Once you pass that board exam you are now a certified professional and you can use that certification to apply for jobs. Our organization also assist participants by pairing them with potential employers and providing interview assistance programs as well as clothes closet activities at no cost to the participant.

Q. Am I guaranteed a job?

A. Our programs will provide you with the skills you need to obtain an entry-level position in most cases. While we work with participants and employers and assist with partnering you with employers in your field, we don't provide direct job placement services, but our facilitators and career counselors will help you build your resume and are available to give advice on finding your first job. Facilitators will also be available to use as a professional reference upon completion of the program. Potential participants should always do research on the job market in their area before registering.

Q. How do I enroll into a course?

A. If you are self-paying you can enroll directly on our site by visiting <https://transcendstem.org/all-courses/> and clicking on either fundamental courses OR Career Courses whichever one you are interested in.

If you are looking for a grant, scholarship, loan or any other financial assistance we may have to offer, you can visit <https://transcendstem.org/all-courses/> to choose a course, then visit <https://transcendstem.org/online-class-registration/> to submit their information for a call/email or text back.

Q. What if I have more questions?

A. Career courses have FAQs on each course on our website here: <https://careertraining.ed2go.com/transcendstem/>



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You can also email us at impact@transcendstem.org OR If you have questions that are not answered on our website, please feel free to contact us via LIVE

Chat. If you are visiting us during non-business hours, please feel free to send us a question using the "Contact Us". You may also call us at 1-877-221-5151. We will answer your questions promptly.