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ADULT WORKFORCE DIPLOMA PROGRAM (PD)

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AGENDA

- Data highlight for AWDP
- Payment and fiscal information
- LACES (status and requirements passed)
- Provider manual updates
- AWDP Implementation Review Tool
- Ohio Revised Code and Ohio Administrative Code
- Upcoming PD and scheduled meetings



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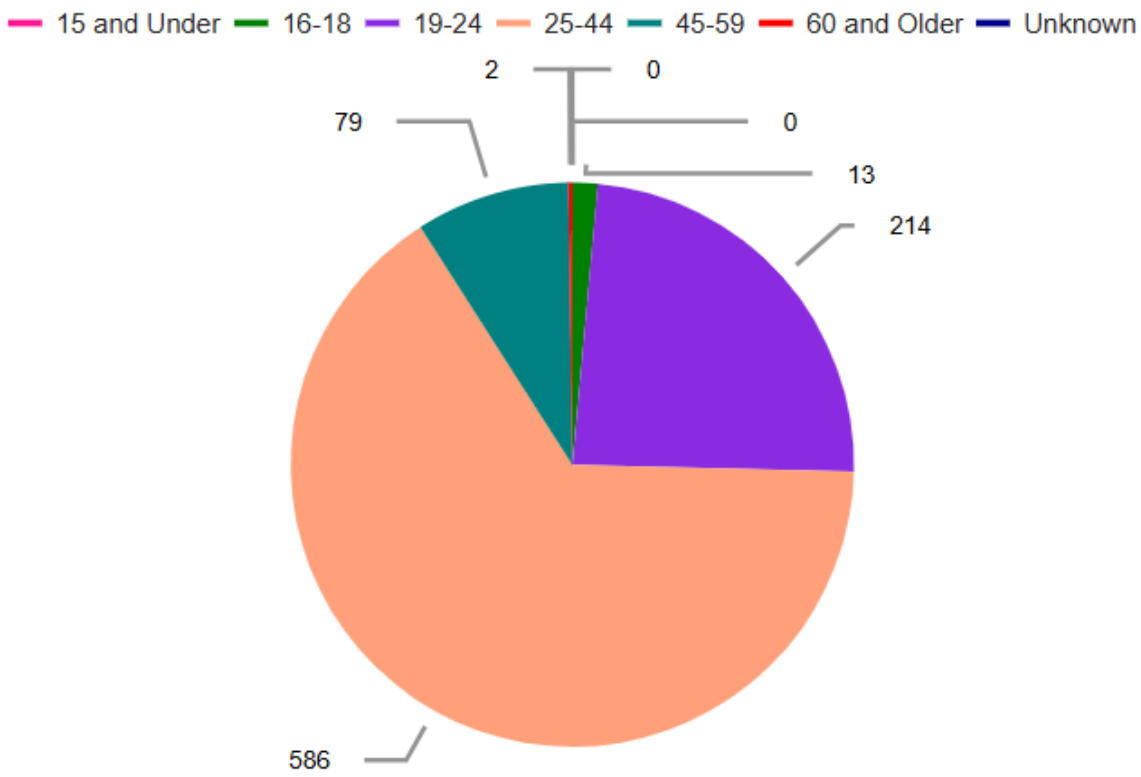
DATA HIGHLIGHT

- 778 students in “started” status in LACES
- 3 students in “hardship” status in LACES
- 77 students in “requirements passed” with the diploma issued
- 12 students in “requirements passed” pending state review to issue the diploma

DATA HIGHLIGHT (STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS BY AGE)



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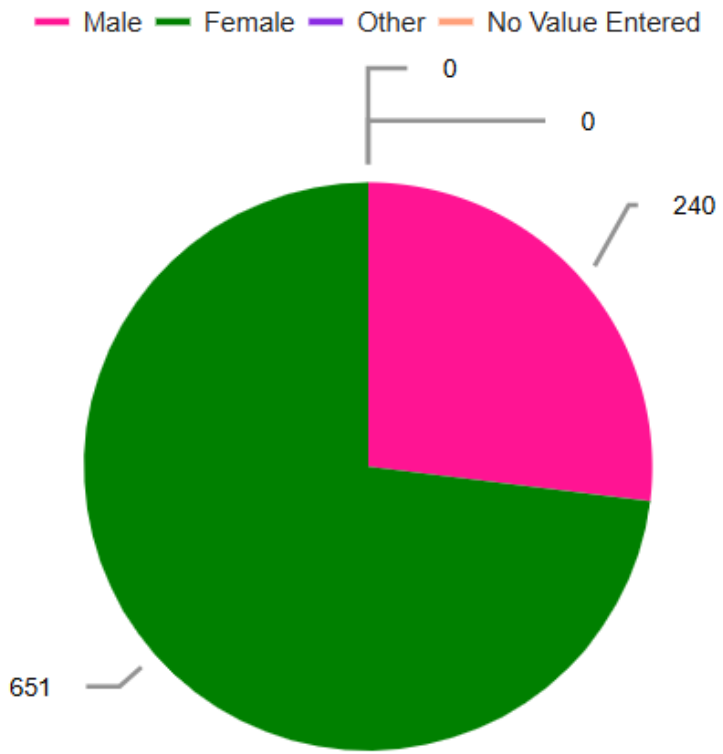

PAYMENT AND FISCAL INFORMATION

- $438,600 has been paid out to providers.
- October 21: 5pm payment deadline for submitting activities for payment in LACES.
- October 26: Payment processes from LACES to ODEW financial system to start payment process to the local provider.
- Providers have the ability to reconcile payment information within LACES. Please reach out if you would like to set-up a meeting to learn more.

PAYMENT AND FISCAL INFORMATION

- All Diploma Pathway Payments
- Status
  - Pending: Activity submitted for review but not approved or denied for payment. (Pending enhancement feature)
  - Denied: Activity has been reviewed by state team, but not sufficient for payment. A note has been added to the denial. Providers can view denials in the “All Diploma Pathways Payment” and review note, and then resubmit the claim.
  - Approved: Activity has been reviewed by state team and approved for payment. The provider allocation will decrease, but the provider will not be paid until the last Monday of the month.
  - Submitted: Activity has been reviewed, approved, and paid to the provider.

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- A batch number and invoice number have been added. Providers can export this report into Excel and work with their fiscal team to know exactly what money has been paid for AWDP and what students and activities this covers.

STATUS	BATCH	INVOICE #
Submitted	ADP000003L	ADP0000000041LPS27

- Batch number will change each month, and each month a provider will see a different invoice number.

LACES

- Please reach out to the state office team if you have questions about data entry. All processes of AWDP occur within LACES.
- Reminder that the individual who was given “administrator” access in LACES should be creating accounts in LACES for staff members and should be removing staff members as well.
- It is the local provider’s responsibility to change the status for a student in LACES. This means, that a provider must put the student into “requirements passed” when the provider believes the student is eligible for the diploma.
- “Requirements passed” does not guarantee the diploma will be issued.
    - Examples why the diploma will not be approved (share during meeting)
    - State office team will put the student back to “started” status”
    - State office team emails provider letting them know.

PROVIDER MANUAL UPDATES

- The updated version of the provider manual for AWDP will be available the week of October 19, and can be found on the website.

  AWDP Documents (The current version was updated on 9/16)

- Key changes:
  - Co-enrollment policy for Title II (Aspire) and AWDP. LACES enhancement in development.
  - Documentation upload and appropriate documents (upcoming webinar on 10/27)
  - Automatic payment denials for attachments that are in the form of jpeg, jpg, png, tiff

AWDP IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW TOOL

- Resource/tool that was developed with previous providers of 22+/ADP, stakeholders, and state staff members.
- Document can be used in a collaborative effort with stakeholders.
- Tool for reflection and planning with the ability to review evidence, select a rating, document evidence, and identify next steps.
- Contains an AWDP program alignment reference.
- This resource will be posted to our website. (AWDP documents)

OHIO REVISED CODE AND OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

- Ohio Revised Code: 3313.902 effective October 9, 2026 (Competency-based educational program).
- Ohio Administrative Code: Waiting JCARR approval

UPCOMING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MEETINGS

- October 27, virtual documentation webinar session 1pm-2pm
- October 28, AWDP provider open office hours 11am-12pm
- Week of November 16, in-person PD (registration and location information to follow). Topics will include the Industry-Recognized Credentials, The Career Connections Framework, and the career plan with career advising.
- Milestone follow-up (to be scheduled) for a virtual webinar
- 2nd LACES training (to be scheduled) for a virtual webinar
- Ohio Means Jobs Resources (to be scheduled) for a virtual webinar
- Title II (Aspire) and AWDP specific PD to work with providers who offer both adult education programs

QUESTIONS?

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