



The Business & Education Workforce Initiative

Vision:

By 2023 our community will have a skilled workforce that meets the needs of local employers. Students and potential employees will understand the skills required to function independently in society, will know and demonstrate required work skills and the community will provide ways to achieve these skills. Students and potential employees will gain needed skills, thus closing the skills gap, which will increase the number of eligible and skilled candidates within our community.

Business, education and community stakeholders will partner to create initiatives that will ensure a well prepared and trained workforce through open communication, collaboration, active participation and monetary investments.

The community will shift its mentality of university for every high school graduate and instead understand and appreciate the full range of career opportunities available for students. The community will understand that technical careers are valuable and have a purpose within our community. They will also understand and support the means by which these skills are obtained.

Goals:

- The community has the life skills and work skills required to support the business community.
- The initiative is making demonstrable progress toward a skilled workforce.
- Business, education, government, and other stakeholders will collaborate to ensure a well-prepared workforce.
- The community is supportive of all career paths.