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Wyoming's Adult Education Program One Of The Best In Country

Cheyenne, WY - April 27, 2026 - The U.S. Office of Career and Technical Education has released its fiscal year 2025 performance rankings, and Wyoming's Adult Education program once again stands among the nation's top performers across all measures.

Wyoming achieved the highest credential attainment rate in the country at 84.01%, far exceeding the national median of 38.46%. Its co-enrollment rate ranked second at 38.72%, compared with a national median of 8.96%. (This metric reflects the share of students simultaneously enrolled in Adult Education and also registered with either the Department of Workforce Services or the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.) In measurable skill gains, Wyoming placed third at 71.49%, well above the national median of 51.69%. The state also ranked third in employment outcomes, with 60.46% of participants employed by the second quarter after exiting the program and 60.08% by the fourth quarter.

"These results reflect the steadfast commitment of Wyoming's Adult Education program to student success. Across the state, learners are building skills and earning credentials that position them to pursue brighter, more secure futures," said Commission Chair Gregg Blikre.

Wyoming's Adult Education program offers complementary, year-round instruction—often delivered through community colleges—to individuals age sixteen or older who are not enrolled in secondary school, who perform below a twelfth-grade level in core academic areas, and/or who lack a secondary credential. Eligible students can access services including integrated education and training programs, transitions to college, high school equivalency preparation, English as a Second Language instruction, digital and financial literacy, foundational skills development, workforce preparation, on-the-job training, and postsecondary programs leading to industry-recognized credentials of value.

Adult Education graduates more students annually than any Wyoming high school. Since 2019, 11,566 students have enrolled in Wyoming Adult Education programs, and more than 30% of those who complete a program go on to enroll in college within one year.

"Adult Education, Wyoming style, is truly meeting a vital need for our residents and industries, and deserves to be celebrated!" Blikre said.

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