



# Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board

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## PUBLIC INVITED TO ATTEND FORUM TO HELP SHAPE STATE WORKFORCE PLANS

YAKIMA—The public is invited to provide feedback and help shape the state's workforce development plans by participating in a forum from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 27, at Yakima Valley Technical Skills Center, 1120 S. 18<sup>th</sup> St., Yakima, WA 98901.

Key themes in the draft plans include: Forging better connections between business and the workforce system, bringing together a variety of workforce programs to better serve customers, using technology to increase access to services, and putting in place a next-generation accountability system to evaluate workforce program performance.

The forum is a joint effort of the state's Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board and the South Central Workforce Development Council.

Can't make it in person? The public is invited to listen in at 1-866-339-6644. Next, punch in the meeting code, including the \* sign, at: **\*9563025\***

More details at: <http://wtb.wa.gov/WorkforceForums.asp>

Who Should Attend:

- Businesses looking to secure a high performing workforce.
- Organizations that represent workers seeking family wages.
- Workforce, education, and others who provide services that produce employment results.
- Advocates for expanded and enhanced access to employment services.

*The Workforce Board is a state agency that monitors and evaluates the state's key workforce programs and also provides leadership on policies that help all Washington residents get the education and training they need to obtain living-wage jobs. The Workforce Board is also the state licensing agency for private career schools.*

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