

ASC Webinar Recap

Below is a summary of the guidance provided on the ASC Webinar.

2011-12 ASC program guidance for those programs in existence as of July 1, 2011:

- Funding Model: DWD will reimburse ASC programs \$550/ASC student, using zero dollar contracts that will be established with the Adult Education fiscal agents
- Participant Eligibility: For this year **only**, there will be no qualifications on participant age, number of credits attained prior to entering the ASC program, or minimum student scores on an objective assessment such as TABE.
- ASC clients must be entered in AE InTERS.
- ASC Policy and Procedures: For this year and in future years, we will defer to the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE), the State Board of Education, and local school corporations regarding ASC curriculum, requirements for end of course exams (content, proctoring, scoring, etc.), standards for credits, and awarding a high school diploma. If you have any questions or need guidance related to these matters, contact IDOE or your local school corporation.

Please note: Funding for ASC programs is **limited** and will reduce 2012-2013 adult education state funds. The funding model for the 2011-12 serves only as a stop-gap to maintain programs in which students are currently enrolled. Based on our calculations, we will be unable to fund many, if any, new students in established programs who were not included in our original estimates. Additionally, funding constraints will not allow for the expansion or development of ASC programs this year. Thus, we encourage local school corporations to consider alternative programs that may be available and appropriate for clients traditionally placed into ASC programs.

ASC program guidance for 2012 and beyond:

As you all are aware, ASC programming varies across the state in areas such as populations served and local school corporation support. Thus, we will continue to seek input from local ASC programs as we develop future guidance and requirements. In the meantime, we encourage local ASC programs to continue pursuing alternative options and conversations with IDOE and/or local school corporations