

Workforce Connections

Your monthly digest of resources, events, and all things Workforce Development in Lancaster County



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Are You Ready2Work?

Prepare Your Students for Workplace Success

Ensure your students are career ready and boost their employability with the WorkKeys suite.

WorkKeys is a system of assessments and curriculum that build and measure essential workplace skills that can affect your job performance and increase opportunities for career changes and advancement. By completing the assessments, students can earn the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC®). Lancaster's **Ready2Work** program takes it one step further! We pair 8 online employability skills courses with ACT WorkKeys and upon successful completion students earn the locally recognized Ready2Work certificate.



Through our Business-Education Partnership Grant, this program is **FREE** for any Lancaster County high school student seeking to earn a credential and gain valuable employability skills.

Get your school started today!
Email us to learn more.

Students who complete Ready2Work will earn a total of 10 certificates of completion

1. [National Career Readiness Certificate \(NCRC®\)](#) - Industry Recognized Credential

2. Eight certificates of completion for employability skills including Attitude, Communication, Planning and Organizing, Critical Thinking, Interpersonal Skills, Teamwork, Professionalism and Media Rules

3. The Ready2Work certificate endorsed by the Lancaster County Workforce Development Board, Lancaster Chamber and PA CareerLink® Lancaster County



Did You Know? Starting with the graduating class of 2022...

Pennsylvania Department of Education will begin to recognize WorkKeys as an key component of two assessment pathways to state-wide graduation requirements.

Students who receive a **Gold** level of completion will be able to use this assessment to satisfy graduation requirements! Why not start taking advantage of Ready2Work now, and get your students prepared?!

[You can read more on this here!](#)

Become a Ready2Work Employer!



The Ready2Work Program is being used to prepare and equip local jobseekers to be ready to enter the workforce and successfully join your company!

Contact Business Services to learn how Ready2Work can help your business!

With Ready2Work you can:

- Use PA CareerLink® Lancaster County to administer assessments for hiring and promoting needs
- Get connected with high-quality jobseekers who've completed Ready2Work
- Match Skills to Jobs through [Job Profiling](#)
- Grow Your Business!



PHeaa Financial Aid Workshop

Are you an Educator and interested in getting the latest information on loans and grants available for your students that want to pursue post-secondary education?

Do you want to get updated information on the application process for FAFSA?

The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHeaa) is offering two, 2-day, workshop webinars in September that will provide all of the resources and information that you need to educate your students on their next steps!

**[Click Here](#) for more information &
Contact [Sonya Mann McFarlane](#) to Register!**

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