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The following was sent to the listserv.

AOK-What is AOKY?

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You've heard of "Accelerating Opportunity Kentucky" or "AOKY," but what is it exactly? And how does it relate to that other thing called an "IET"? Below, you will find the answer to "AOK-What?"

Accelerating Opportunity Kentucky (AOKY) is an example of an Integrated Education and Training (IET) model. An IET has 3 components:

- Adult Education Instruction (to help a student study for the GED® test)
- Workforce Preparation Activities (to help a student with the skills necessary for any job)
- Workforce Training (to help a student gain skills specific to a certain occupation)

In AOKY, local adult education programs provide the first two components concurrently with the workforce training provided by KCTCS. The adult education program also contextualizes content around the career sector represented by the workforce training component.

The hallmark of an IET is that services are concurrent and contextual; all the pieces work together at the same time, much like gears.



The advantage of AOKY is that it gives students the opportunity to get a head start on acquiring specific training and skills, which can help them achieve a better life sooner. Additionally, most AOKY (dual-credit) students qualify for Pell Grant funding and most AOKY Fast Track students qualify for WorkReady Scholarships.

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