

# NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS

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PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS, BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (BOCES), PRIVATE AND PUBLIC NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

**Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education, Workforce Investment Act (WIA), Title II, Section 231(E)**

Approximately \$8.1 million is available for grants to provide integrated English literacy and civics education to immigrants and other limited English proficient populations in order to promote their effective participation in education, work and civic opportunities of this country.

Grantees must use these funds to supplement, not supplant, other federal, State and local funds that support adult education programs and activities. Grant recipients will use these funds to create or expand EL/Civics instruction or services.

All funds will be used to continue existing three-year grants. For more information, contact Tom Orsini at (518) 474-8940.

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**Workplace Literacy Program, Authorized Under Chapter 53, Article 103 of The Education Law of 1987**

The purpose of this program is to provide occupationally-related literacy and basic skills instruction to employees of public or private employers or to members of unions whose present levels of literacy or language skills constitute a barrier to continued employment or to promotion. Programs, which provide only job-specific training, are not eligible for funding.

Workplace Literacy grants fund up to 80 percent of project costs. The 20 percent match may include Employment Preparation Education (EPE) Aid, Full Time Equivalent Aid (FTE), Unit of Service Aid, Collective Bargaining Agreement Funds, union/employer cash apart from Collective Bargaining Agreement Funds, and Employee Release Time to attend class.

Funding for 2003-04 is \$1,376,090. All of the funds will be used to continue a five-year contract. For more information, call Tom Orsini at (518) 474-8940.

