

Academic Support: Partnerships for Pathways to Success Executive Summary

Partners: Bristol Workforce Investment Board, Bristol County Training Consortium, Bristol Community College, Fall River Public Schools, Diman Regional Vocational HS, Westport Community Schools

Program Design: The Partnership for Pathways to Success Program aims to recruit and support students from the classes of 2003-2015 to obtain their Competency Determination. Students will have access to MCAS remediation classes at BCC or their local high schools and to Career Center Services at the Youth Connection. This grant-funded program will build upon our local strategy to identify and broker a variety of academic, employment, career, and supportive services for 12th grade students and out-of-school youth.

Key Elements of the program include:

- Academic instruction in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science
- One-Credit Academic and Career Exploration course offered at BCC
- Pre-employment seminars and workshops
- Subsidized work and learning opportunities

Role of Partners:

- **Bristol WIB** – will assist in convening Pathways Partners, measuring results, and completion of reporting requirements
- **BCTC** – will serve as the program coordinator and fiscal administrator for the grant. BCTC, as the Career Center Operator will also facilitate student placement, connect students to work and learning experiences, and manage the intake process.
- **BCC** – will offer MCAS Remediation and supportive services that will help students transition successfully into college level studies.
- **Local School Districts** – Partnering high schools will be responsible for the identification of all students who have not successfully passed one or more of the MCAS Components.