

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training

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Student SNAP Eligibility

Students enrolled at least half time in an institution of higher learning do not qualify for SNAP, unless:

- ▶ Aged 17 or under; 50 or over
- ▶ Physically or mentally unfit
- ▶ Enrolled in TANF
- ▶ Working 20 hours or more per week
- ▶ Enrolled in work study
- ▶ Enrolled in On-the-Job training
- ▶ Caring for a dependent under 6 years
- ▶ Enrolled in **SNAP Employment and Training**



SNAP Employment and Training

Enrolling students in an E&T component can both:

- Help qualify them for SNAP, increasing food security
- Provide opportunities to gain skills, training, or experience that will improve their employment prospects



E&T Support Services

E&T can provide participants reimbursement for:

- ▶ Child care services
- ▶ Transportation services
- ▶ Tuition and Books required by the E&T component



E&T Opportunities

State agencies can partner with third-party organizations to administer a variety of E&T activities. These often include institutions of higher learning, which provide students with:

Vocational Training

Adult Basic Education

High School Equivalency Programs

English as a Second Language Courses

Literacy Training



Participant Requirements

Minimum participation and duration requirements can vary depending on the component, and are set by the State Agency.

- ▶ Minimum participation is usually, but not always, at least 12 hours per month.
- ▶ State agencies cannot mandate more than 120 hours per month, but clients are free to participate above that.
- ▶ Duration requirements/limitations can generally be anywhere from 3 months to 2 years (for vocational training components).

California Examples:

- ▶ A vocational training component in Alameda County requires 20 to 30 hours of participation per week.
- ▶ An education component in Santa Clara County lasts 6 months, and may be extended up to 12 months.


Third-Party Organization Responsibilities

- ▶ Offer appropriate and allowable E&T activities
- ▶ Assess E&T participants and place them in appropriate E&T activities
- ▶ Monitor and track participation
- ▶ Monitor and track cost-allocated staff time and other associated administrative expenses.
- ▶ Provide support services, such as:
 - case management
 - early intervention
 - career counseling
 - participant reimbursements
 - referrals to additional program and services



Best Practices

Washington's statewide partnerships with colleges offer a wide variety of certification programs, including...

- Accounting
 - Bookkeeping
 - Certified Nursing Assistant
 - Licensed Practical Nurse
 - Medical Assistant
 - Dental Assistant
 - Automotive Tech
 - Diesel Tech
 - Carpentry Tech
 - Office Technology
 - Criminal Justice
 - Welding
 - Cyber Security
 - Early Childhood Education
 - Culinary
 - Commercial Truck Driving
 - Energy Tech
 - Human Services
 - Forest Tech
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For more information on how your organization can get involved with SNAP E&T, please contact your county's CalFresh agency.

Thank you!

