Eligible Institutions

Because of the significant number of questions received related to eligible partners for the Mapping Upward project, the Department of Education is providing the legislative authority from the Perkins Act below to identify institutions eligible to receive TA through this project.

• All partners in the network must be Perkins eligible:

“(13) ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION.—The term ‘eligible institution’ means—

“(A) a public or nonprofit private institution of higher education that offers career and technical education courses that lead to technical skill proficiency, an industry-recognized credential, a certificate, or a degree;

“(B) a local educational agency providing education at the postsecondary level;

“(C) an area career and technical education school providing education at the postsecondary level;

“(D) a postsecondary educational institution controlled by the Bureau of Indian Affairs or operated by or on behalf of any Indian tribe that is eligible to contract with the Secretary of the Interior for the administration of programs under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.) or the Act of April 16, 1934 (25 U.S.C. 452 et seq.);

“(E) an educational service agency; or

“(F) a consortium of 2 or more of the entities described in subparagraphs (A) through (E).

• If a network wishes to include Perkins-eligible institutions that are not colleges, we recommend no more than half of the network consist of those types of institutions.