

## **BRIDGES ELIGIBILITY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM (BEAF)**

## By signing this form:

- I acknowledge the below requirements to maintain my eligibility in Bridges. Among these requirements, I agree to participate in at least one of the five Eligibility Criteria, and required number of hours related to the activities listed below.
- Except when enrolling under a disabling mental or physical condition, I understand that I may combine more than one of the other criteria to be eligible for the program. The combined activities must total, at least, 80 hours every 30 days.
- I understand that my eligibility will be verified at least every 30 days or when requested by my Bridges Liaison.
- I understand that if I do not meet all requirements provided below for my corresponding Eligibility Criteria, I may be terminated from Bridges.

Initials	Eligibility Criteria	Examples of Qualifying Activities	Current Documentation  Below are examples, other documentation may be considered on a case-by-case basis. Multiple documents may be requested to show eligibility.		
	Completing a secondary education (High School) or a program leading to equivalent credential	<ul> <li>Enrollment in school to receive high school diploma (i.e., traditional, non-traditional, alternative – must be accredited)</li> <li>Participating in a GED program</li> <li>Other institution/program by the Department of Education</li> </ul>	Enrollment letter     Class Schedule     Attendance Report     Grade Report		
<ul> <li>There is an expectation that young adults will attend school at least 70% of possible attendance every 30 days. If combining with another criterion, total hours attended and/or worked must equal 80 hours every 30 days. Online schools without required amount of hours guideline will be required to produce at least 80 hours of activity every 30 days.</li> <li>Eligibility continues during scheduled summer break if participant remains enrolled in an educational institution.</li> <li>Schools must be recognized by the State Board of Education.</li> </ul>					
	Enrolled in an institution that provides post- secondary (College) or vocation education for 7 or more credit hours in a semester or quarter	<ul> <li>Public or Private college or universities (in-state or out-of-state)</li> <li>Community College (in-state or out-of-state)</li> <li>On-line studies offered through a licensed institution</li> <li>Vocational Program</li> <li>Technical Schools</li> <li>Graduate School</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enrollment letter</li> <li>Class Schedule</li> <li>Grade Report</li> <li>Statement of Account displaying Housing Deposit, Enrollment Fee, or other costs paid for current or upcoming semester</li> <li>Attendance/Participation Report</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>There is an expectation that young adults will attend school or engage in related activities totaling at least 80 hours every 30 days. There is a conversion ratio of 1:3 (For every hour spent in class, an additional 2 hours is added to account for out of class work and projects.) For a noncredit course of study such as certification programs, at least 80 hours every 30 days will be the expectation.</li> <li>Eligibility continues during scheduled summer break if participant remains enrolled in an educational institution.</li> <li>Schools must be accredited.</li> </ul>					
	Employed for at least 80 hours every 30 days	<ul> <li>Full/ Part time Employment</li> <li>AmeriCorps</li> <li>Military Reserve/National Guard</li> <li>Internship/Externship (Paid/ Unpaid)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Paystubs current within 30 days</li> <li>PROVISIONAL ENROLLMENT ONLY: Written     verification, on employer letterhead, that includes a     point of contact for the employer, number of hours     the participant is scheduled weekly/monthly, and     their start date.</li> </ul>		

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Suggested average of 20 hours per week, but hours may fluctuate.					
	Participating in a program or activity designed to promote, or remove barriers to, employment for at least 80 hours every 30 days	<ul> <li>Work force preparation classes (CCMEP)</li> <li>Job Corps</li> <li>Job Shadowing / Skills Training classes</li> <li>Apprenticeship / Mentoring</li> <li>Volunteering</li> <li>Resume/Interview skills classes/training</li> <li>Substance abuse / Mental health treatment</li> <li>Domestic violence/date violence program</li> <li>Parenting classes</li> </ul>	Attendance current within 30 days     PROVISIONAL ENROLLMENT ONLY: Written verification letter, on program's letterhead, that includes description of program and/or activity, duration (e.g., six-week program) including start dates and number of hours the participant is scheduled weekly/monthly, and a point of contact. Each activity must be fully explained.		
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	Unable to participate in the activities detailed above due to a physical or mental health condition documented by a qualified practitioner	Young Adult's condition may be short or long term.     This eligibility criterion cannot be combined with other criteria.	<ul> <li>The JFS 01628 Bridges Disability Verification form must be completed by a qualified practitioner. This form can be obtained from your Bridges Liaison. This form must be completed within 90 days of Bridges Application submission to be sufficient proof of eligibility.</li> <li>AT ENROLLMENT ONLY: A copy of the applicant's Social Security award letter and supportive documentation. The award letter must have been effective within the past 180 days.<sup>2</sup></li> <li>An assigned Bridges Liaison or Bridges Supervisor does not meet criteria as qualified practitioner.</li> <li>Amount of benefits should be recorded in SACWIS.</li> </ul>		
Young Adult Name (Print)		Young Adult Signature			
Bridges Representative (Print)		Bridges Representative Signature	 Date		

A copy of this signed form is to be provided to the Bridges Participant

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