## National Dislocated Worker Grants

## WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITY FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES (WORC II)

<u>Appalachian Regional Commission and Delta Regional Authority (ARC - DRA)</u>
<u>Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA-ETA-20-04)</u>



Areas to be Served: Louisiana parishes of Richland, Morehouse, East Carroll, and Ouachita

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## Development of a High School Business Academy in the Louisiana Delta

Grant Number: MI-35534-20-60-A-22

The goal of the WORC grants is to create economic prosperity and gainful employment opportunities for eligible residents in impacted ARC and DRA regions, enabling them to remain and thrive in these communities.

This is a hybrid program that blends in-classroom meetings with virtual learning and mentoring. This project creates a High School Business Academy to run concurrent with the four years of high school. The program will teach students the basics of entrepreneurship, management, marketing, and accounting. College-bound students can earn up to 18 hours of college credit. All students will earn a certificate and be eligible for a summer internship. This program will prepare students for jobs in their communities.



