

## **About the Program**

Aspire programs offer no-cost services to help prepare adults for the high school equivalency test, postsecondary education, and employment.

From July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 there were 19,210 participants in Ohio.

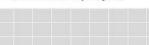
## **One-Year Outcomes**

One year after their last Aspire service, 47% of people were employed in Ohio, and 47% were employed with the same employer at six months and at one year after leaving Aspire. Of those who were employed, median annual earnings were \$18,600. Workers were most commonly employed in the Accommodation and Food Services, Health Care and Social Assistance, and Manufacturing industries.

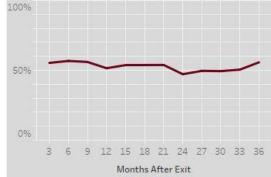
During their exit period and in the following year, 8% of people who left Aspire in 2018/19 were enrolled in a public Ohio college and 5% had earned a credential at an Ohio Technical Center.

## **Employment Over Time**

The charts below display employment patterns across a 3 year time period. For those whose Aspire services ended in 2017/18 or 2018/19, employment in Ohio reached 57% 6 months after services and remained relatively stable over time. Median annual earnings rose from \$16,700 3 months after services to \$25,400 36 months after services. Drops in employment at the 12 month and 24 month points coincide with the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic for people whose services ended in 2018/19 and 2017/18, respectively.

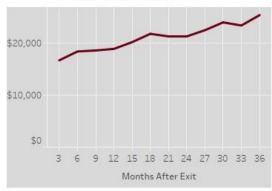


Percent Employed



In the three years after leaving Aspire, 47% to 57% of people were employed (Statewide, Overall).

## Annual Earnings



In the three years after leaving Aspire, employed individuals earned \$16,700 to \$25,400 per year (Statewide, Overall).