

19 school districts make up **Erie 1 BOCES (Boards of Cooperative Educational Services)**.

BOCES SUPPORTS INCLUDE:

Low-cost career programs for adults:

[Bi-weekly virtual information sessions](#) offer chance to learn more about training and career counseling options

Three state-of-the-art career and technical centers offer 25 programs:

Erie 1 BOCES' three state-of-the-art career and technical centers which offer more than **25 programs**.

[Trainings include](#) nursing, medical billing/office work, machining, electrical, HVAC, plumbing, welding, salon/spa and more.

Most programs charge fees (e.g., though youth under 21 may be eligible for PELL and those in ACCES-VR can attend training for free). TAP is not accepted. As such, coaches should understand costs of each training program and may want to explore alternative very low-cost or free workforce programs.

Alternative Schooling Options and Special Education Programs:

School districts also partner with Erie 1 BOCES to provide alternative schooling options ([including an alternative school and virtual schooling options](#)) and special education programs for residents of Erie 1 BOCES's 19 school districts *outside of* Buffalo (those who live in Buffalo are not eligible for BOCES's alternative school options).

GED Programming

[GED programming](#) for students 21+