

**281—21.59(260C) Eligibility requirements.** A proposed quality instructional center that has as its central component a new or existing approved full-time vocational-technical or occupational, diploma or degree program shall be considered for approval. In addition, the program must be unique, and the proposal shall demonstrate improvement of quality that exceeds previous or normally expected student and instructional outcomes. A new program, or an existing program that requires significant modification to meet quality instructional center evaluation criteria, shall be approved prior to the first term of operation.