Pima County Arizona Adult Education



Arizona Adult Education Services provides comprehensive literacy services learners 16 years of age and older who are not enrolled in a K-12 school. It offers quality educational access to opportunities to support employment, job training and higher education aspirations. By assisting adult learners to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary for effective participation in society, we help citizens realize their potential, businesses communities benefit. and thrive.

In Arizona,

providers must meet rigorous standards and produce positive student outcomes to be funded. Pima Community College, Adult Basic Education for College & Career and Pima County Adult Probation LEARN are funded and authorized to provide adult education throughout Pima County. The Arizona Department of Education – Adult Education Services allocated \$3,157,401 to Pima County for adult education services for the Program Year 2017-2018.

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EMPOWER ADULT LEARNERS FOR SUCCESS IN POSTSECONDARY
EDUCATION AND TRAINING, AND ULTIMATELY EMPLOYMENT
IN FAMILY-SUSTAINING CAREERS."

Sheryl Hart
Deputy Associate Superintendent
Adult Education Services

Community Need

Of the approximately **1,007,527** people living in Pima County, **78.33%** (788,941) are 18 years of age or older. **

Within that group, **12.22%** (96,427) lack a high school diploma or high school equivalency credential. **



11,522 16 to 19-year-old individuals are **not** enrolled in school and do not have a high school credential. **

27,886 adults 18 years of age and older live in linguistically isolated* households. **

*<u>Linguistically isolated</u> means that all members of the household, 14 years and over, have at least some difficulty with English



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3,324 individuals enrolled classes

in adult education

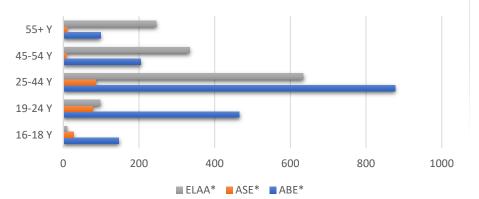
274,383 instructional hours were provided in adult education

classes

819 high school equivalency credentials were awarded

55% of adult education students improved at least two grade levels

Pima County Students Served by Age Group



ABE: Adult Basic Education instruction in reading, writing & math through 8th Grade level

ASE: Adult Secondary Education instruction in reading, writing, math, science & social studies, 9th through 12th grade level

ELAA: English Language Acquisition for Adults that includes instruction in listening, speaking, reading & writing for non-native English speakers

Integrated Education and Training

The 2014 Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act include joint accountability performance requirements to assess the effectiveness of achieving positive outcomes for individuals served by the workforce development system's core programs. These programs include Adult programs, Dislocated Worker, Youth programs, Adult Education and Family Literacy Act program, Employment Service program, and Vocational Rehabilitation program. Integrated Education and Training (IET) programs support these outcomes due to its nature of concurrent and contextualized workforce preparation activities and specific occupational workforce training.

Pima County had Medical Assistance IBEST (MA) and Machine Tool IBEST (MT) programs with 41 total students attending these programs.

