



ARIZONA ADULT EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL LEARNING SYSTEM

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THE CHANGE AGENT CALL FOR ARTICLES

Calling all adult education teachers! The national magazine, *The Change Agent*, published by World Education, is currently accepting articles written by adult education students. The current theme is *Work During the Pandemic*, and the suggested article length is 200-1000 words. *The Change Agent* pays \$50 stipends to adult education students whose work is accepted for publication, and articles are due by May 3rd More information can be found here.

TEACHING CIVIC ENGAGEMENT SEMINARS

Join your colleagues and the amazing trainers from Street Law, for a three-session webinar series on teaching civic engagement to your adult education students. The spring cohort will begin soon, and early registration is advised. The series includes an overview of the *Arizona Adult Education Literacy Through Social Studies Standards*.



The spring webinar series is scheduled on:

3/25 - 2:00 - 4:00pm

4/8 - 2:00 - 4:00pm

4/22 -2:00 - 4:00pm

The fee is \$75 for the series and participants must attend all three sessions to earn PL credit hours. Thanks to all those who have already registered!

UPCOMING 2021 PL TEACHING AND LEARNING WEBINARS

Don't forget that all webinars in the 2020 - 2021 PL Teaching and Learning Series are now available at no cost! These webinars are designed to be 'snacks' for teachers to strengthen content knowledge and instructional skills. The webinar topics are aligned to the AZ Adult Education Content and Teacher Standards. The upcoming webinar schedule is:

- March 11th, 2:00 pm 3:30 pm: *Flipping Instruction in the ABE/HSE Classroom* (Susan Pittman, GED Contract Trainer)
- March 15th, 4:00 pm 5:00 pm: Using Flipgrid in the Adult Education Classroom (Staci Snow, ADE/AES)
- April 2nd, 10:00 am 11:00 am: Unpacking the AZ Adult Education Math Standards (Craig Lefever, Yavapai College)

Click <u>here</u> to register for all the trainings offered by Adult Education Services. Registration closes the day before the event and seats are often limited.

AALL SPRING CONFERENCE AND SCHOLARSHIPS!

AALL Spring (Virtual) Conference Friday, April 9, 2021 - 9:00 AM to 3:15 PM.

Did you know?? AALL offers scholarships to members of up to \$500 per year to be used to attend or participate in conferences, presentations, workshops, or other professional learning activities! These should be primarily related to the instruction of adults in basic skills, high school equivalency, English language instruction, and/or Civics and Citizenship. For more information on applying for an AALL PL Scholarship, please click <a href="https://example.com/hemes/september-shop-new-members-sh

AZ STAR TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

The STAR Teacher Feature is Dan Halliday, with Yavapai College!

Dan has done amazing things with his STAR Reading Class and has effectively transitioned to virtual instruction. Virtual STAR instruction is not an easy task, and Dan has found a way to do so and keep his students engaged. In a recent class observation, Dan engaged the students, as a whole group, using *Nearpod* to teach the STAR Vocabulary lesson. He then moved the students into small group breakouts, based on their diagnostic assessment and instructional priorities, to practice reading for fluency at their instructional levels. After, the direct instruction, he conferenced with students to provide strategies to improve their reading. Dan, we applaud you and your virtual implementation of STAR!

UPDATED TEACHING AND LEARNING REPOSITORY

Be sure to bookmark the AAEPLS Teaching and Learning Repository site. We update this site frequently; so check out the new resources and PL recordings that have been added! Click here for the site!