



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

AZ Adult Education

News to Use - April 2025

From the State Director...

Strengthening Regional Collaboration for Adult Education

The Arizona Department of Education, in collaboration with staff from **Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Adult Education and HSE Services**, have held two meetings with the *Regional Ecosystem for Workforce Development Collaborative*, in Yuma and Tucson. The regional meetings include representatives from economic development and ARIZONA@WORK partners, CTE and JTED administrators and superintendents, Title II program administrators and community colleges, and employers from the local workforce area.

The meeting agenda includes a welcome from the host organization, an overview of the economic development labor and market information for the region, an overview of CTE and Adult Education, and roundtable discussions, followed by report outs.

Thank you to our meeting hosts in Yuma, Arizona Western College, and Pima Community College, in Tucson. The next regional meeting will be held at Cochise College on April 30, and in May (date TBD) for Graham/Greenlee Counties.

Support AALL

The Arizona Association for Lifelong Learning (AALL) is holding their annual conference on Friday, April 11, at the Rio Salado College Conference Center in Tempe. The theme of the conference is *Building a Future Ready Workforce Through Lifelong Learning*.

Please support our adult education professional organization and network and learn with your colleagues. For more information, go to <https://aafl.wildapricot.org/>

As a reminder, programs may use their professional development grant award allocation to pay for AALL conference registration fees, travel, and/or compensation for part-time teachers and support staff to attend this conference. Programs do not need to receive prior approval to attend this conference since this is an in-state conference.

WIOA Title II Federal Grant Awards

As we enter the 4th quarter for FY2025, programs are advised to expend and draw down your federal grant award allocations as soon as possible.

Mark Your Calendars for the Annual WIOA Title II Arizona Adult Education Meetings



The Annual Business Meeting for 2024-2025 Arizona WIOA Title II funded Adult Education programs will provide updates and/or changes for Program Year 2025-2026, as well as reminders and guidance for wrapping up the current program year.

Program Directors are required to attend. All other staff are welcome!

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

9:00a - 12:00p

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This webinar will review assessment monitoring results for 2024-2025 WIOA Title II funded providers, updates to Assessment Policy that will go into effect on July 1, 2025, and general updates and announcements on standardized assessments.

Program Directors and Assessment Coordinators are required to attend.

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

1:30p - 3:00p

[Register Now](#)

Fiscal Services

Adult Education Program GME Reminders

- 4th Quarter Grant Award Reimbursement Requests: Remember to regularly draw down your program's FY 2025 Adult Education awarded funds. Please Note: Fiscal Monthly Reports are available (by the 15th) in your program's LEA Document Library. Contact janice.cruz@azed.gov with questions.
- Review budgets and expenditures regularly and submit funding application revisions as needed. Deadline to submit budget revisions for this fiscal year is June 30, 2025 ([2 CFR 200.211 \(b\)\(5\) and \(b\)\(6\)](#)). No exceptions.
- GME Virtual Technical Assistance is available with your assigned Grants Coordinator to assist with submitting Reimbursement Requests, Completion Reports, or other

processing needs. Please contact 602-542-3901, option 2, to schedule a virtual technical assistance session.

- April Grants Management Enterprise (GME) trainings are available in [APLD](#) or visit the [ADE Grants Management Enterprise \(GME\)](#) for detailed training or grants information

Program Operations & Accountability

Rollover Scores - Update!

- The PY2024-2025 Assessment Policy states the final date for valid rollover scores will be May 1, 2025. However, we have changed this to April 1, 2025. Any TABE score administered since April 1, 2025, will roll over to establish the entering score for the subject area should the student continue with services into PY2025-2026.

Current Title II Program Data as of February 2025

The PY2024-25 Arizona Minimum Target Performance Measures (MSGs) is 43%.

Statewide Enrollment	Enrollment: 18,523 Total Qualified PoPs: 13,043
Statewide MSG Rate	43.4%
Statewide Progress Test Rate	53.0%
Statewide Progress Test Success Rate	56.8%
Average Attendance Hours Per ABE Students (Statewide)	64 hours
Average Attendance Hours Per ELL Students (Statewide)	75 hours

Next steps: Analyze your program's current MSG Rate and Average Attendance Hours.

High School Equivalency Services

Check it Out!

Updates have been made in the GED® Testing Services portal:


- The *Arizona Civics Test* is now available on the [GED Testing Services](#) online proctored portal!
 - All individuals that are in the process of completing one of the three Arizona HSE Diploma Pathways are now able to select the online proctored testing for the *Arizona Civics Test*.
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Teaching & Learning


Mathematics and Statistics Awareness Month

April is Mathematics and Statistics Awareness Month! Take some time to explore to support your student's understanding and appreciation of mathematics by sharing April's resource of the Month. [The Mathematics and Statistics Awareness Month Website](#) also includes other activities and resources for you to get involved.

AES T&L Resource of the Month



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Mathigon

Link: mathigon.org

<u>About the Resource</u>	<u>In the Classroom</u>	<u>T&L Team Favorite Feature</u>
<p>Mathigon contains courses, activities and resources for the entire mathematics curriculum, all of which are completely free to use.</p>	<p>Mathigon is an interactive math platform offering engaging activities, dynamic visualizations, and lesson plans in topics like geometry, algebra, and probability. Adult educators can use this app to create personalized, concept-driven lessons, foster problem-solving skills, and support diverse learning styles, making complex math ideas accessible and enjoyable for adult learners.</p>	<p>Mathigon has Polypad. This interactive tool allows learners to explore mathematical concepts through virtual manipulatives, making abstract ideas more tangible and engaging. Whether it's geometry, algebra, or probability, Polypad offers a hands-on approach that encourages creativity and deep understanding.</p>

Teaching & Learning 4th Quarter Reminders

The fourth quarter is a good time to review your Professional Learning Implementation Plans. As a reminder you will re-submit this plan as your final Professional Learning Report in July.



Upcoming Training and Events

April Teaching & Learning Webinar Series

Teaching and Learning Webinar Series

DIFFERENTIATED INSTRUCTION IN THE ADULT EDUCATION CLASSROOM

Presented by
Sara Gutting



About The Session:

Are your students tired of packets and handouts? Do you want to reach more of your students through group work but feel your hands are tied with different levels of learners? This webinar is designed to provide teachers with the tools they need to implement learning centers based around different levels of reading for the ABE or HSE classroom, in order to meet the needs of the students. By using a combination of active learning tools, learning stations and a structured format, participants will learn how to reach all of their students. Join us for an interactive webinar that will provide lessons, ideas, and a system for working in an adult education multi-level, multi-subject classroom. Participants will be asked to implement something in their classroom that was discussed in this webinar and be ready to share and reflect at the follow-up webinar.


Part 1: April 9, 2025

Part 2: April 23, 2025

3:00-4:00pm

Meet the Presenter:

Sara has served in adult education for over 30 years as an ESL/ABE/HSE teacher as well as an adult education coordinator and as a professional development consultant. She is a nationally recognized presenter where over the past 25 years she has presented nationally to adult educators, correction educators, and post-secondary institutions. Her focus on differentiative instruction, creative curriculum and active learning in the classroom has been implemented and helped shape many adult education programs, teachers, and students. Sara has a Master of Science from Ball State University focusing on adult learning theory. Sara loves to teach and continues to teach at a local adult education program.




New to HSE PLUS Career Readiness Pathway (Full Training)

This webinar will provide comprehensive training for the *HSE PLUS Career Readiness Pathway*, including updated guidance on the requirements and supporting documentation needed for students who choose this pathway.


Wednesday, April 23, 2025, 12:00p - 3:00p

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May Teaching & Learning Webinar Series





The poster features a blue and white color scheme with orange circular accents. At the top right is the Arizona Department of Education logo. The main title is in large, bold, black letters. Below it, the presenter's name is listed. The 'essential education' logo is centered. A paragraph of text describes the challenges of student retention and the goals of the session. Two circular images show a smiling graduate and a man writing. At the bottom left, a calendar icon and a clock icon precede the dates and time. A large blue button with white text is at the bottom center.

TEACHING AND LEARNING SERIES PRESENTS:
RETENTION STRATEGIES FOR GROWTH AND SUCCESS
Presented by Charlie Weeks at


The struggle is real! Student retention is one of the most critical challenges in adult education. When attendance is down, student progress slows, and educator frustration grows. In this session, we will explore the problem but, more importantly, seek practical solutions. Utilizing the innovative research and hands-on experimentation of adult educators across the country, teachers and administrators will gain applicable learning strategies and engagement activities to keep students coming back.

 **Part 1: May 7, 2025**
Part 2: May 21, 2025
 **3:00-4:00 PM**

REGISTER HERE

HSE Plus Career Readiness Pathway Review

This webinar will provide updates and new documents needed for the *HSE PLUS Career Readiness Pathway* only.

Participants must have previous knowledge of this pathway to participate.

Wednesday, April 30, 2025, 11:00a - 12:30p

[Register Now](#)



Join Beverly Wilson, State Director, and the Adult Education and HSE Services team for Shop Talk! Important news, upcoming trainings, and question/answer opportunities will keep you up to date on what's happening in Arizona Adult Education!

Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 2:30p - 3:30p

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