



AZ Adult Education

News to Use - November 2025



From the State Director...

Additional State Funding Opportunities for Title II Providers

Congratulations to the Title II Community College Providers who were awarded ADE Contracts under ARS §15.217.01 to provide educational and support services to adult learners through the *Community College Adult Education and Workforce Development Program*.

- Yuma/La Paz County Community College District - Arizona Western College
- Pinal County Community College District - Central Arizona College
- Cochise College
- Coconino College
- Mohave College
- Northland Pioneer College - Navajo and Apache Counties
- Pima College
- Maricopa County Community College District - Rio Salado College
- Yavapai College

Congratulations to the following adult education providers who were awarded ADE Contracts under ARS §15.217.02 to provide educational services to adult learners through the *Continuing High School and Workforce Training Program*.

- The Excel Center - Goodwill of Northern and Central Arizona
- ACYR – City View Charter High School

Arizona Department of Education Regional Workforce Meetings – the ADE ‘Roadshow’

Thank you to the Title II adult education administrators and adult educators who have participated in the *ADE Regional Ecosystem for Workforce Development Collaborative Meetings*. We held meetings in Flagstaff on October 8th and in Prescott on October 28th. Next stop-Gila County on December 12th.

We have had over 450 attendees at the eight regional meetings held so far, including industry and employers, CTE/CTED administrators, adult educators, economic development specialists, and workforce partners. The focus is on building a regional network and talent pipeline from CTE programs and adult education programs to business and employer career pathways and jobs.

See you on the road!



**Yavapai County Educational Service Agency
Yavapai County
Prescott AZ – October 28 2025**



**Eastern Arizona College
Graham and Greenlee Counties
Thatcher AZ – May 22 2025**

@WORK Partner Meetings – Mark Your Calendars

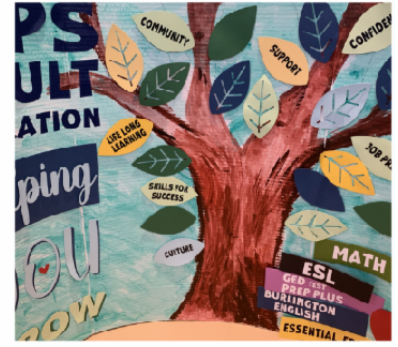
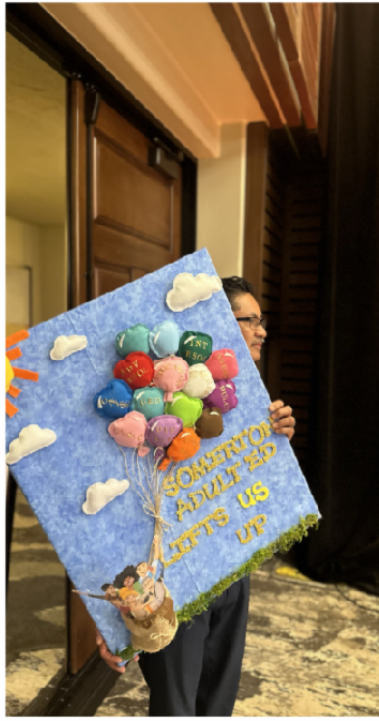
Attention Title II Program Administrators

Please plan on attending a required partner meeting in your region to foster collaboration between regional workforce staff; review the 2026 employment outlook for AZ; discuss key elements in employer engagement to support participants; and inform revision/s to the WIOA State Plan – due in March 2026.

The meetings will be held in person and will be a full day event from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Select a date in the region closest to your adult education program:

- February 4th - Phoenix- University of Phoenix
- February 10th - Yuma - AZ Western College
- February 12th - Tucson -University of Arizona OR Pima Community College (Location pending)
- February 18th - Flagstaff -NAU High Country Conference Center
- February 25th – Virtual - for partner staff who could not attend the scheduled regional locations

Registration information will be available soon!



2025

Arizona Adult Education Institute





ADULT EDUCATORS ARE AMAZING!



And the winner is...

We were delighted to see everyone at the **Arizona Adult Education Institute** in September! It was a great opportunity to celebrate adult education and the important work you do each day!

As announced in October's Arizona Shop Talk, the winner of the 2025 Program Poster Processional is:

Central Arizona College 🌿 🏆 ❤️

Congratulations to all the programs who participated. Your creativity and enthusiasm were uplifting!

Arizona Adult Education Performance Measures July 1 - September 30 2025

Statewide Enrollment	Total Qualified Participants: 9 017
Statewide MSG Rate	18.24%
Statewide ABE MSG Rate	21.95%
Statewide ELL MSG Rate	16.70%
Statewide Progress Test Rate	30.17%
Statewide Progress Test Success Rate	38.66%
Average Attendance Hours: ABE Students	38.84 hours
Average Attendance Hours: ELL Students	40.79 hours

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

Program Operations and Accountability

IET Reminders and Updates – See October Shop Talk Slides for More Detail

- NEW!! The IET Implementation Plan template has been revised as of 10/2025!
- Pre-IET: Help students build the academic skills needed to be successful in your IETs!

Assessment Coordinator Update Webinar

- View recording of the October 23, 2025 webinar [HERE](#)

Reporting

- Program Operations Plan
- Now a living document – link will be sent by Friday, November 7, 2025
- IET Validation Report
- Now a living document – link will be sent by Friday, November 7, 2025
- Career & Training Services Report
- Template sent on October 15, 2025
- To be completed quarterly!
- See [PTAG](#) for examples of expenditures

Fiscal Services and Grants Management

Fiscal Monthly Reports:

- Fiscal Monthly Reports are available by the 15th of each month in your LEA Document Library. Please view these reports monthly to see how your program is doing with drawing down available grant funding.
- Grants Management recommends submitting regular Reimbursement Requests for all open grants (ideally once a month or more often).

FY25 Single Audit:

- OPEN NOW: The FY25 Single Audit Qualifier Questionnaire opened in the GME on 10/1/2025 and will be due by 12/31/2025.
- If the questionnaire is not submitted by the due date, then a fiscal hold could be placed on all grant reimbursement activity.
- Entities/grantees who have expended \$750,000 or more in federal funds during FY25 will need to submit their Single Audit Reporting Package (SARP) within 30 days of receiving the report from the CPA firm or by March 1, 2026, whichever comes first.
- For questions or if your FY24 SARP is outstanding and you have questions or concerns, please reach out to Grants Management at (602) 542-3901, option 3.

ADE/Grants Management Virtual Technical Assistance:

- If you would like to request 1:1 assistance and support with submitting reimbursement requests, single audits, or other processing needs, please contact your assigned Grants Coordinator at (602) 542-3901, option 2.
- For program assistance, contact janice.cruz@azed.gov

ADE/Grants Management Trainings:

Save the date for the Grants Management In-Person Bootcamp on January 22, 2026. Check the [GME Homepage](#) for updates!

High School Equivalency Services

GED® Testing Update: ID Requirements

- GED Testing Centers **will now** be able to **accept digital IDs**
- Government issued ID **no longer requires a signature**
- Updated information **will be available in the ADE HSE web pages soon!**

Upcoming HSE Plus Career Readiness Training Sessions

- Wednesday, April 1, 2026, 11:00a - 2:00p - Register by clicking [here](#)
 - Wednesday, August 12, 2026, 11:00a - 2:00p - Register by clicking [here](#)
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Teaching & Learning

UDL Resources

Universal Design for Learning (UDL) is a scientific framework developed by [CAST](#) to support ALL learners through differentiated instruction and program operation; ADE's Exceptional Student Services team has put together a [collection of resources](#) to get started with UDL at your program. Take a look and explore the resources!

Professional Learning Resource

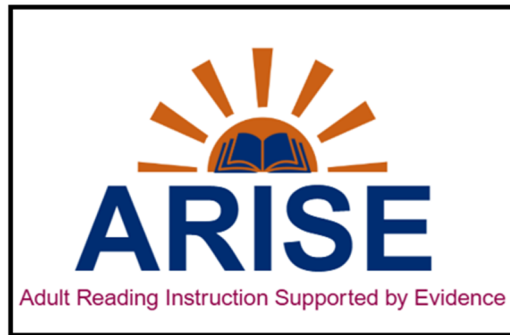
"Sustainability is an important but often elusive goal in educational improvement," writes Paul Fleming, Deputy CEO and Chief Learning Officer with Learning Forward. Learn more about Mr. Fleming's six strategies for sustainable professional learning in his August online article in the *Professional Learning Journal* [here](#).



Community Solutions

The ASU Design Studio for Community Solutions (DSCS), part of the Watts College, partners with communities to co-create and implement localized solutions through university resources, student engagement, and faculty research. Check out their [latest e-newsletter](#) filled with details on the PHX Sky Harbor Job Fair, internship opportunities, family activities, and resources for local food and clothing banks.

Upcoming Training and Events



ARISE Year 2+ Vocabulary Refresher Webinar

Join Arizona's ARISE trainers for November's **Vocabulary Refresher for Continuing Programs**.

This session provides an overview of the vocabulary assessment process and improving the breadth and depth of Tier 2 words adult learners.

Friday □ November 14 □ 2025
9:00a - 10:30a

[REGISTER NOW](#)

PY2025-26 ARISE Year 1 Upcoming Trainings

The ARISE Year 1 Cohort will meet virtually for the following sessions:

Check-in

- **Friday □ November 14 □ 2025 □**
11:00a - 12:00p

Instructional Routines Webinar

- **Friday □ December 5 □ 2025 □**
9:00a - 12:00p

Webinar links will be sent to the cohort prior to the sessions.

PY2025-26 Teaching and Learning Webinar Series:

Game on: Boosting Adult Learner Engagement with JeopardyLabs

Ready to level up your classroom engagement?

In this interactive two-part training, we'll explore how to use JeopardyLabs to transform formative assessment into a fun, collaborative experience for adult learners. Discover how game-based learning can boost participation, reinforce key concepts, and provide meaningful insights into student understanding—all while keeping the energy high and the learning deep!

This series is presented by Michelle Blanks, ADE Adult Education Professional Learning Specialist.

Part I: Wednesday, November 5, 2025, 3:00p - 4:00p

Part II: Wednesday, November 19, 2025, 3:00p - 4:00p

[REGISTER NOW](#)



TSTM Community of Practice (COP)

This series is designed for educators who have already been trained in the TSTM framework. The bi-monthly meetings offer opportunities to:

- Revisit key elements of the TSTM framework
- Share lessons, strategies, and resources
- Ask questions and get support

Single registration enrolls you in all four sessions held throughout the program year (all session times are 10:00a – 11:00a):

- Friday, November 7, 2025
- Friday, January 9, 2026
- Friday, March 6, 2026
- Friday, May 1, 2026

[Register Now](#)

SAVE THE DATE!



TNT CONFERENCE (TEACHERS N' TECHNOLOGY)

Get ready for a day filled with
innovation and inspiration!

Teachers N' Technology Conference 5.0 is a one-day virtual event designed to empower adult education practitioners with the tools and strategies to transform teaching through technology.

Discover how to:

- Enhance the learner experience with engaging tech tools
- Extend your classroom through blended and distance learning
- Boost program effectiveness and efficiency

Whether you're tech-savvy or just starting your digital journey, this conference has something for everyone.

Don't miss out—
this is the event you've been waiting for!

**JANUARY
16, 2026**

[Click here
to register!](#)

New Date: Using the AZ Adult Education Content Standards

ABE

STANDARDS

Take a deep dive into the Arizona Adult Education Standards! Participants will engage in collaborative activities designed to review content standards and indicators and engage in instructional implementation strategies and resources. The ABE strand focuses on using the standards to increase student outcomes in reading; writing; and critical thinking in all content areas.

Saturday, January 31, 2025
8:30a - 4:30p
ADE South Campus
1535 W. Jefferson Street
Cicero Conference Room
Phoenix, AZ 85007

[REGISTER NOW](#)

ELP

STANDARDS

This interactive session, designed for ESOL instructors, will enhance their understanding of the standards. The session uses the Arizona Adult Education English Language Proficiency Standards to increase student outcomes in reading; writing; and critical-thinking in all content areas which are crucial to guiding adult learners toward educational and career success.

Saturday, January 31, 2025
8:30a - 4:30p
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PY2025-2026 Self-Paced Courses for Adult Educators

The following courses are now open. Courses are to be completed by June 30, 2026. Click the course link below to register in the APLD system:

[TABE Proctor Certification](#)

[TABE Coordinator Certification](#)

[Arizona Adult Education 101](#)

[Pathways to the High School Equivalency \(HSE\) Diploma](#)

[ADE/AES Educational Technology Courses-Digital Literacy for Teachers \(Beginner\)](#)

[ADE/AES Educational Technology Courses-Digital Literacy for Teachers \(Intermediate\)](#)

[ADE/AES Educational Technology Courses-Blended Learning Certification](#)

[ADE/AES Educational Technology Courses-Building a Google Site for Your Blended Classroom](#)

[ADE/AES HyFlex and Virtual Learning Engagement Course](#)

[ADE/AES Digital Resilience in the American Workforce \(DRAW\)](#)

[ADE/AES Introduction to English Language Proficiency Standards](#)