



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

AZ Adult Education News to Use - June 2024

From the State Director...

The Coalition on Adult Basic Education (COABE), the leading and largest adult education association in the world, is proud to announce the launch of the Educate & Elevate Foundation. The foundation, which has already received generous seed funding from Essential Education, was established to fill gaps in funding for adult learners, their families, and adult education programs nationwide.

- For more information on the **scholarship and grant options** for programs and students, visit <https://www.educateandelevatefoundation.org/>. Application deadline is July 31, 2024.

As we close out the current grant contract and program year and prepare for the 2024-2028 WIOA Title II Adult Education Grant contract, please remember the **Annual Business Meeting** will be held on **Thursday, June 13, 2024, 9:30a - 12:30p**. To register, click [HERE](#).

And finally, as we start a new grant cycle please note **AZ Shop Talk Webinar Series** is moving to first Tuesdays! The PY2024-25 dates are July 2, September 3, November 5, January 7, March 4, May 6. Login to your APLD account to register for all six!

HSE Services

THREE WAYS TO EARN A HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY DIPLOMA

CHOOSE FROM THREE PATHWAYS:

1

GED® TESTING PATHWAY
Candidate** must pass the 4 subtests (Math, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Science) with a minimum score of 145 in each subject area. Pass the Arizona Civics Test with a minimum score of 60*.

2

HSE PLUS CAREER READINESS PATHWAY
The Adult Education student** must accumulate and document 22 points in two areas (Academic Readiness and Career Readiness) through a variety of different sources. Pass the Arizona Civics Test with a minimum score of 60*.

3

COLLEGE CREDIT PATHWAY
Candidate** must earn 25 college credits in 6 specific subject areas. Classes must be at least at the 100+ level with a passing grade letter of 'C' or above. Pass the Arizona Civics Test with a minimum score of 60*.

ARIZONA HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY DIPLOMA

IMPORTANT
 *As mandated per A.R.S. § 15-701.01, any person wishing to obtain an Arizona High School Equivalency Diploma must pass the Arizona Civics Test.
 **Per A.R.S. § 15-702, individuals must be sixteen years of age or older and not enrolled in school, and lack a high school diploma, to be eligible to any of the three HSE pathways in Arizona.

STUDENTS IN ARIZONA NOW HAVE THREE WAYS TO EARN A HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY (HSE) DIPLOMA.

1. GED® TESTING PATHWAY
Individuals sixteen years of age or older, not enrolled in secondary school or required to be enrolled in secondary school, and lack a high school diploma, can earn their High School Equivalency Diploma by passing the 4 GED® tests along with the AZ Civics Test. You don't have to take all tests at once - you can space them out and go at your own pace.

Test Subjects:

- Reasoning Through Language Arts
- Mathematical Reasoning
- Science
- Social Studies
- Arizona Civics

2. HSE PLUS CAREER READINESS PATHWAY
Individuals sixteen years of age or older, not enrolled in secondary school or required to be enrolled in secondary school, lack a high school diploma, and enrolled in WIOA Title II Adult Education programs can earn their HSE Diploma through the HSE PLUS Career Readiness Pathway by demonstrating Academic Readiness (14 points) and Career Readiness (8 points) for a required total of 22 points*

* Eligible individuals must be actively enrolled in a WIOA Title II Adult Education provider. Application submission will be completed through the eligible Adult Education program.

3. COLLEGE CREDIT PATHWAY
To be eligible for the College Credit Pathway, individuals must be sixteen years of age or older, not enrolled in secondary school or required to be enrolled in secondary school, and lack a high school diploma*.

Requirements:

- Earn 25 college credits in specific areas.
- Courses must be at the 100-course level or above.
- Passing grade letter of 'C' or above.
- Credits must be earned at or validated by an Arizona public state university or community college.
- Pass the Arizona Civics Test.

* It is the applicant's responsibility to work with an academic advisor at an eligible institution to ensure that all coursework meets the credit requirements of the College Credit Pathway.

More Information:
 Arizona Department of Education Adult Education Services | 1535 W. Jefferson St., Phoenix, AZ 85007
<http://www.azed.gov/adult-education-services/> | Phone number: (602) 258-2410

Fiscal Services

Final Grant Award Reminders - contact **Janice Cruz** with questions.

- Final draw down for FY 2024 awarded funds is **June 20, 2024**
- Final budget revisions are due by **June 30, 2024**

Program Operations, Compliance, & Assessment

Required Reporting

- Due Jun 15 - **Eligibility and Waitlist** (submit form)
- July 15 - Final PY2023-24 Data (Data Confirmation Form)
- July 31 - Narrative Report **and** IET Validation (email to: AES-POC@azed.gov)
- July 31 - Career & Training Services Report (email to: AES-POC@azed.gov)
- July 31 - Professional Learning Report (final version of PLIP)

Assessment Updates

- The **PY2024-25 Assessment Policy** will be made available on July 1. Watch for information on the upcoming Assessment Updates webinar.
- This is also going to be a year of **transition** for TABE and TABE CLAS-E. We look forward to the release of CLAS-E forms and C and D in the next few weeks. TABE 13 and 14 are expected to be available in September. We'll provide guidance on the timing and process for transitioning to the new forms during the Assessment Updates webinar.
- There are also slight changes in the **TABE license pricing** beginning July 1. The TABE will increase from \$2.40 to \$2.95, while the CLAS-E will *decrease* from \$1.95 to \$1.75.
- Got **Language**? You sure do! Starting July 1, the TABE Language test must be administered to any student who is also being tested on TABE Reading.
- **TABE Certification Courses** are being updated with the new versions available beginning July 1. Registration for the current tests will close on June 15, and all coursework must be completed by June 30.
- Remember to watch for information on the Assessment Policy webinar!

Teaching & Learning

- Applications for **PY2024-25 State Leadership Initiatives**, including Teaching the Skills that Matter, STAR, and CALM (Curriculum for Adults Learning Math), open **Friday, July 12**. Stay tuned for more details from the state office!
- PY2024-25 **STAR Year 1 Informational Webinar** will be held Friday, July 12, 2024, 10:00a - 11:00a. To register, click [HERE](#)
- Looking for **free, engaging professional development** to participate in this summer? The LINCS Summer Teacher Training Institute (STTI) is an opportunity for adult educators across the country to convene for an immersive virtual learning experience. For more information or to register, visit [LINCS STTI](#).



Teacher Feature

This month's featured teacher has been in Adult Education for 11 years and is an avid hiker! Visiting the Teaching & Learning Hub to find out who it is...

[Teaching and Learning Hub](#)

Upcoming Training & Events



Join Beverly Wilson, State Director, and the Adult Education Services team for the first AZ Shop Talk of PY2024-25! Important news, upcoming trainings, and question/answer opportunities will keep you up to date on what's happening in Arizona Adult Education! **Tuesday, July 2, 2024, 2:30p - 3:30p.**

[REGISTER NOW](#)

July Teaching & Learning Series

PY 2024-25 Teaching & Learning Series Presents:

Google Earth: Because Learning Shouldn't be Flat

Presented By: **Kenneth Kim**
ADE Adult Education Services
Instructional Design and Technology Specialist

[REGISTER HERE](#)



More about this series




Join us for this two-part webinar series to learn how Google Earth can be integrated into the classroom to enhance student engagement and explore topics in new and exciting ways!

[SESSION DETAILS](#)

Session 1:
Wednesday, July 10th 2024
3-4:00pm

Session 2:
Wednesday, July 24th, 2024
3-4:00pm

A SERIES NOT TO BE MISSED!



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PY2024-25 Administrator Orientation & Refresher

Administrator Orientation & Refresher is a virtual, three-part series intended for both those administrators who are new in their positions, as well as those wishing to have a review. The series may also be helpful for key members of the parent organization to attend in order to gain a deeper understanding of the program's requirements.

July 31, August 7, and August 14, 2024, 9:30a - 12:30p

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Reminder: PY2023-24 Self-paced Courses

Registration closes for all ADE-AES self-paced courses on June 15 and remember to complete the course no later than June 30, 2024. If you have not completed the coursework by June 30, you will be unenrolled and will need to reenroll in the next program year's sessions. PY2024-25 self-paced courses will be available July 1.

PY2023-24 On-demand, Self-paced Training Courses (click the course below to register!)

[TABE Coordinator Certification Course](#)

[TABE Proctor Certification Course](#)

[Arizona Adult Education 101](#)

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

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

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

Mark Your Calendar!

The **2024 AZ Adult Education Institute** will be held at the **[Doubletree by Hilton - Paradise Valley Resort](#)**, Wednesday, September 11* - Saturday, September 14, 2024.
Registration opens July 8!

*Pre-conference sessions held September 11.