

First Mondays

Monthly Notes for Virginia's Adult Education Providers

August 3, 2015

Calendar

**Regional Program
Managers and
EL/Civics Program
Managers Meeting**

**September 29-30
Richmond**

**CCRS Teacher
Leadership Institute**

**November 5-6
Richmond**

WIOA: Webinars and Technical Assistance

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While the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) can seem new and scary to some of us, it may provide some comfort that I have cooked up some resources to help programs identify what they will need to do to meet the new aims of WIOA.

First, if you have not done so already, check out the series of WIOA videos I have created by clicking [here](#). I will be posting more videos to this channel as the WIOA implementation process unfolds. One can also access these videos through the Resource Center [Web site](#).

Throughout the fall of 2015, I will be conducting several targeted, interactive webinars to help regional and local programs adjust to the new paradigm. While I have created two distinct sessions, found in the VALRC training catalogue, feel free to contact me with your needs, and I can customize a webinar specific to your audience. If you prefer, these can be done as face-to-face sessions as well. If you would like to schedule a webinar for your program, please contact our Training Coordinator, Jeffrey Elmore, at 804-827-1929.

Finally, for just-in-time training or technical assistance related to WIOA, please call me at 804-827-2639. No issue is too big or too small for us to work toward solving.

Money Matters

One-Stop Activity reports for 2014-2015 are due by September 17, 2015. These reports should reflect the fiscal contributions made by adult education programs to support the activities of local One-Stops that are allowed under the terms of each grant awarded by OAEL.

Award notifications for AEFLA, C&I (if requested), GAE, SLCA, and Race to GED funding for 2015-2016 have been mailed to superintendents, community college presidents, and regional program managers. A

WIOA

Resources for WIOA
Information

[OCTAE](#)

[Department of Labor](#)

[National Skills Coalition](#)

[Federal Register Web site](#)

GED® Stats

2015

GED accounts – 11,195

Test takers – 4,179

Completers – 1,926

Passers – 1,422

State pass rate - 74%

National pass rate - 65%

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letter containing budget summaries, the calendar of financial reporting due dates, the rubric, and, if applicable, a request for revisions will follow for federal grant sub-recipients. Because the budget summary may contain modifications to your submitted budgets, please do not attempt to disperse funds in OMEGA until you receive a budget summary for those grants. The request for revisions will identify the budget modifications made. A single budget transfer request may be submitted for the original disbursement of funds in OMEGA.

EL/Civics and PluggedInVA grants are still in the review process. Notifications should be received in August.

Race to GED and PluggedInVA funds originate from Lottery funds. Funds will not be loaded into OMEGA until January, 2016.

Finance forms for 2015-2016 have been updated and are now available on OAE's Web site on the [Grants & Funding](#) page.

CCRS Teacher Leadership Institute

The CCRS Teacher Leadership Institute, the next statewide professional development effort for the implementation of the College and Career Readiness Standards for Adult Education and the move towards standards-based instruction, will take place in Richmond on November 5th and 6th.

Regional program managers will be asked to select the representatives that they will send to the Richmond Institute -- a teacher whom they consider to be a regional leader or expert in math, a teacher whom they consider to be a regional leader or expert in English language arts/literacy, and their regional specialist.

Regional teams will receive in-depth training on the College and Career Readiness Standards and the Standards-in-Action approach to professional development and classroom instruction. The Resource Center will be following up with these regional teams after the two-day institute to support them in sharing information with the rest of their region and in making changes to their own practice. Please contact Hillary Major, publications and communications specialist at VALRC, if you'd like more information or have any questions about the Institute. Hillary may be reached at 804-828-7535 or hmajor@vcu.edu.

For more information about teacher leadership, please see the Center for Teaching Quality, National Board for Professional Teaching

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Please visit the [OAEL Web site](#) for more information about adult education and literacy in Virginia and for news and updates throughout the month.

Standards, and National Education Association's [Teacher Leadership Competencies](#) and visit The Center for Strengthening the Teaching Profession [Web site](#).

Distance Education Update

The members of the Distance Education Curriculum Review Panel are proud to announce that the new method for submitting distance education curricula for review is now available on the [VALRC website](#). To access the distance education portal, regional program managers or designees may go to www.valrc.org, select the "Resources" drop-down menu at the top of the page, and then select "Distance Education". From here, one can access the list of currently approved curricula, the Distance Education Blog for meeting minutes, and the Distance Education Curricula Submission Form. For any other distance education questions or requests, please contact Kevin Franklin at 804-827-2639 or via email at franklinkg@vcu.edu