



October 2016 Newsletter.



Advocacy

While the State's budget woes may once again occupy much of the legislative attention in Hartford this year, CAACE is working in a number of areas that matter to adult education programs statewide beyond state funding.

On the national level, EastConn's Kristin Hempel participated in COABE's "Day on the Hill" visits to Congressional legislators in Washington last month. These visits emphasized the need for continued funding for the "Title II" sections of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), particularly our Program Improvement Project (PIP) grants. Kristin discussed the many private companies and other Connecticut work sites that have benefited from

In connection with workforce development and career pathways, CAACE will be monitoring the implementation of PA16-44, which requires the State Board of Regents to publish detailed information about the costs and employment success for each postsecondary program that offers certificate and credentialing courses of study in the state.

CAACE will also be providing input to the BOE for the re drafting of the PI P grant applications that will be reauthorized this year. Our hope is that these grants will encourage more adult ed programs to work cooperatively to extend and improve our services to all adult learners.

CAACE Professional Development

On Friday October 7th, 40 attendees had the options of choosing from two wonderful enrichment presentations provided by Friendship Tours with Brett Isaacson and UGotClass with Lesile Kowlakowski. These choices provided the opportunities to expand a more diverse variety of enrichment offerings and gain new revenue through a third party provider.

Enrichment attendees were then Invited to join the new crowd of directors attending a professional development titled "GOOGLE GREATNESS" offered by Cathy Bosco. This well received two hour presentation guided each participant as they followed along the tutorial at their individual computer station. Advanced mentors were available to assist beginners as needed.

We thank Bristol Adult Education for their complete 5 star hospitality treatment!

Survey Quotes:

"I enjoyed learning about the way different programs make use of Friendship Tours and UGotClass"

"Thought the day In all was a great day. Very informative and learned several new ways to Improve our programs"

Spring Conference Highlights

Mark your calendar now for the 36th Annual CAACE Conference
March 30 & 31, 2017
Mystic Marriott

We have confirmed both Adora Beard and Debi Faucette from GED Testing Service. They will be presenting both days. Debi was with us last year and was very well received, so she's back by popular demand!!

Please visit the CAACE 2017 Conference page as we are currently accepting

- Workshop Proposals
- Award Nominations
- Conference Registrations

Looking forward to seeing you there!

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Stay Up To Date!

Visit the CAACE Adult Education Master Calendar to learn more about the "when and where" of all of the various and interesting activities planned for adult educators in Connecticut this year.

Need an event added? Email info@caace.org.

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Demographics of Connecticut Adult Education Learners

- Currently only 9% of CT's adults lack a high school diploma while nationally 12.4%
- 21% of minorities in CT lack a high school diploma
- 30% of our students wish to enter or retain employment
- 39% of our students are fully employed
- 48% are parents and 39% have children under the age of 5



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