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2011-2012 State Funding

LACES Training

On April 27th and 28th the new SIMS which is now LACES was presented to Adult Education personnel who register and enter the student data. People showed up with their laptops and student information.

The objectives of this training were:

- To navigate through the new LACES database and identify all main areas of the LACES layout
- To learn how to create student, staff and class records that contain all required fields
- To understand NRS and state requirements
- To go through the life cycle of a student, including assessments, goals, enrollment, and attendance tracking

There will be an intermediate training next fall.



Mr. Z, Storyteller

From illiteracy to the library. Google - Mr. Z, Storyteller.

Adult Education funding from this legislative session:

\$1,555,205.50 (increase of \$630,205.50 from last session)

The legislative body provided reserved contingency funding in the event federal funding falls below \$900,000 per year ...

SB 2013 SECTION 10. RESERVED FUNDS - CONTINGENT ADULT EDUCATION LEARNING

CENTER GRANTS. The sum of \$500,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, made available under section 19 of this Act, must be used by the Department of Public Instruction for providing adult education learning center grants, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013. The department may provide grants of up to \$250,000 during the first year of the biennium only if federal funding available to the state for adult education is less than \$900,000 in federal fiscal year 2012. Funding provided in the first year of the biennium is limited to the difference between federal funding available in federal fiscal year 2012 and \$900,000. The department may use any remaining funds for adult education learning center grants during the second year of the biennium.

SB 2150 includes the following ...

SECTION 41. ADULT EDUCATION - STUDY. During the 2011-12 interim, the

legislative management shall consider studying the provision and funding of adult education. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the legislative management.

This study will focus on how the ALC's can easily access foundation aid for serving students under the age of 21. This has the potential to provide an additional \$1,500,000 in annual funding.

Thank you to everyone who took time to contact our legislators about Adult Education.

Website Links

101 Very Cool Facts:

The brain is much more active at night than during the day. Logically, you would think that all the moving around, complicated calculations and tasks and general interaction we do on a daily basis during our working hours would take a lot more brain power than, say, lying in bed. Turns out, the opposite is true. When you turn off your brain turns on. Scientists don't yet know why this is but you can thank the hard work of your brain while you sleep for all those pleasant dreams.

Coughs clock in at about 60 mph. Viruses and colds get spread around the office and the classroom quickly during cold and flu season. With 60 mph coughs spraying germs far and wide, it's no wonder.

For more cool facts go to:

<http://www.stumbleupon.com/su/1UPSo0/www.globalone.tv/profiles/blogs/100-very-cool-facts-about-the>

Math Activities

http://www.ilovemath.org/index.php?option=com_docman&Itemid=31

Word Games

I-Pad:

Word Games:

Word Seek
 Crostix Free
 Arrow Words
 Word Quest Lite

Math:

Khan Academy
 Pre-Algebra
 Geometry

Tech Idea: Skype



Skype in the classroom:

The oil is booming in Williston and surrounding areas, but the option of babysitting and daycares is not booming. There are several students who are unable to attend classes because they cannot find someone to take care of their children. One option that the Williston Adult Learning Center is looking at is Skype. Most students have a computer, laptop, and webcam so they would be set to still attend classes, just from their home. The student will know what time to Skype in for

class and instructor help. Flip camera, document camera, and Bamboo pen and touch will be incorporated with this new teaching and learning style to help accommodate students who want to attend classes!

If you are using Skype in the classroom, please share your ideas in this newsletter!!

Here are some classroom idea websites:

<http://education.skype.com/>
<http://www.teachingdegree.org/2009/06/30/50-awesome-ways-to-use-skype-in-the-classroom>
http://www.wtvi.com/teks/05_06_articles/skype-in-the-classroom.html
<http://www.engadget.com/2011/04/01/skype-in-the-classroom-tears-down-geographic-walls-connects-pup>
<http://edtechideas.com/2011/04/05/rationale-for-using-skype-in-the-classroom>
http://www.readwriteweb.com/archives/skype_in_the_classroom_launches_to_connect_teacher.php

Skype in the Classroom Lesson Plan Ideas:

http://cdwg.discoveryeducation.com/aac/module_s/module-two/module-two-lesson-plan-k-12.pdf

http://www.casioprojector.com/news/classroom/800476814/Skype_in_the_Classroom_connects_teachers_worldwide

Can't make it to a meeting? Maybe ask if someone at the meeting would have Skype on so you can participate that way! Google for Skype ideas....they are unlimited!



Memorial Day

"...gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime....let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude,--the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan." --General John Logan, General Order No. 11, 5 May 1868

Only 24 notes:



We cherish too, the
 Poppy red
 That grows on
 fields where valor
 led,
 It seems to signal
 to the skies
 That blood of
 heroes never dies.
**Moina Michael,
 1915**