

Adult Education Division

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This Month's Highlights

The Central Nine Career Center Adult Education classes are kicking off the Holiday season with a canned food drive and a gently used clothing drive. The donations will be given to the Refugee Center which is also called the Hope Center. We have established a partnership with the Hope center already. They have allowed us to use their facility for one of our EL Civics class and one of our GED/HSEA classes.

For our Faculty meeting this month, we held separate meetings for the ESL instructors and aides and then a separate meeting for the GED instructors and aides. This has proven beneficial in great discussions that focus on their area of expertise. The Adult Education Leadership team has continued to meet weekly and has decided to invite an instructor to attend once a month to gain their perspective on current issues.

I have attended the TASC Chief Examiner training and gained a vast amount of knowledge on the HSEA and the particulars on the assessment. As a region, it is decided that we will charge \$90.00 fee for the assessment and \$10.00 fee for each retest. DWD states that the materials for the HSEA will be distributed to each program the week of December 16th. We have asked for the Readiness test (practice test), and DWD states that CTB Magraw Hill will not have that available until late February or March. In 2014, Central Nine will offer the HSEA in two options, paper pencil option and online option. The cost is the same for either.

The new High School Equivalency Assessment, TASC, has started the training of each instructor for each program. I attended the first one on November 1 at Walker Career Center with 3 of our instructors. It was a great training with a lot of valuable information on creating lesson plans that focus on Rigor.

The Character Trait for November is Dependability. Each instructor will incorporate this life skill into their lesson plans for the month.

Each instructor submitted perfect attendance names and a Character trait nominee for October. Kristen Booher in our GED class at the Hope center won the Character trait drawing and Taylor Ray in our GED class at C9 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings won the perfect attendance drawing. I visited those two classes and presented the winner with a \$5.00 walmart gift card and a certificate. The employee of the month for October is Mrs. Linda Crosby, she teaches a GED class at the Hope center. She works very hard at meeting each individual student's needs. She was presented at the GED/HSEA staff meeting with a certificate and a \$10.00 walmart gift card.

We are moving forward to promote our Spring semester Continuing Education Classes and finishing up the catalog.