



Adult Education Division

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This Month's Highlights

The Central Nine Career Center Adult Education has joined in the Healthier Johnson County efforts to create a healthier Johnson County. We have created a 12 member team to spend the next 10 weeks in a Dump your Plump competition between various businesses in Johnson County. The team members have begun tracking their exercising and their weight loss!

On September 26, the Adult Education division was awarded one of 18 grants from the Johnson County Community Foundation. The sum of \$2400.00 will be used to aid in the cost of the new High School Equivalency Assessment for adult learners that have the financial hardship.

In our last ABE staff meeting on 09-27-13, the three ABE goals that were set by the Leadership team were discussed. The staff was broken up into small groups to brainstorm and discuss the different thoughts on the 3 goals (Enrollment, Retention, and achieving gains). The groups reported out on their ideas.

Also in that meeting, the new Incentive awards were introduced and implemented. Every month a perfect attendance award for an adult learner will be recognized with a \$5.00 Walmart gift card. A character trait for each month was introduced and each instructor will be given the opportunity to nominate an adult learner in their class that demonstrates that character trait. One adult learner will be drawn and recognized with a \$5.00 Walmart gift card. And, a staff member will be nominated by the Leadership team to be recognized at the monthly meeting and will be given a certificate along with a \$10.00 Walmart gift card. Evelyn Cruz, an ESL Instructional Aide was recognized in the September meeting for her extra efforts given to her students.

The new High School Equivalency Assessment, TASC, will be implementing new training for the Instructors throughout the state. The dates were given to our Instructors in the September Faculty meeting. We will be attending as many training dates as possible to ensure that our Instructors are prepared.

I am still attending weekly webinars in regards to TASC, to ensure that Central Nine is prepared to make the transition from the GED test to the TASC test in January.