



Adult Education Division

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This Month's Highlights

Central Nine Career Center's Adult Education division hosted a team from DWD on August 5th for the afternoon. It was a team building activity that DWD had designed to go out into the field and visit several adult education programs. It was a great afternoon, they visited with our Lifecoach, ABE Coordinator, Data Administrator, and witnessed what an afternoon is like in the trenches.

In adult education, we have changed the orientation process to better equip the incoming adults to be successful in the classroom. I am anxious to see how this new process improves the student's progression through our program. The orientation was a two day testing process, we have changed that to be a 4 evening orientation with a variety of activities including a lesson that is taught by one of our instructors.

DWD is pushing for programs to move to the online TASC test. In our classes, we are working on using more technology to prepare the students for the test online. This is a main area of focus this year. Another hot area for us is gaining employment for our students either while they are in our program or after they leave. The state is giving adult education incentives this year for reporting employment and transition to post secondary education. Therefore, we will be focusing on this area this year as well. I feel that we have made some progress in this area with the career fair that we added last year and will continue this year as well.

In our last faculty meeting on July 24th, the instructors, aides, and leadership team members worked cohesively to create the Central Nine goals for the 14-15 program year. It was a great meeting and will conclude the goal setting in the next meeting on August 27th.

On the Continuing Education side, the following classes are beginning either this week or soon: CNA, EMT, Firefighting I&II, Home Landscaping and Design, and hopefully the new class that Mrs. Tunis is going to be teaching Dental Assistant Radiology.