



# Adult Education Division

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## This Month's Highlights

The **Central Nine Adult Education Division** was recently awarded \$12,000 grant funds to develop an Administrative Assistant Program for adult learners. The microgrant funds, awarded by the Department of Workforce Development (DWD), will be used to pay for curriculum development, instructor salaries, purchase computers, iPads, course equipment/supplies, textbooks, online practice exams, and vouchers for the Internet and Computing Core Certification (IC<sup>3</sup>) Exams. Central Nine is the leader in approved Career Certification Programs within our region (Marion County and Region 5). Our program will have nine programs listed on DWD's INTraining website. Of those listed, five will qualify as Career Certification Programs for eligible WorkOne clients. Additionally, DWD has requested that we serve as a pilot site for the development of the INTraining Provider website for the state.

Since October 1, 2011, Central Nine's **Adult Basic Education** Program has provided over 112 new adult learners with services related to GED Testing, GED/ESL classes, and GED Practice Testing. The **Adult Continuing Education** Program has over 32 students enrolled in the Certified Nurse Aide Training and Welding Technology Programs which began in October. These services have generated over \$19,000 in revenue since October 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Adult Continuing Education Program is pleased to welcome **Michelle Davis**, Dean of Students, as a new member of the team. Mrs. Davis will provide assistance with the development of the Adult Continuing Education Program during part of her assigned responsibilities. She will be instrumental in the promotion, marketing, and branding of Central Nine's career certification programs. Mrs. Davis is a welcome addition to the Adult Education Division and we look forward to working with her in continuing the tradition of success at Central Nine Career Center.