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Director's Message

We continue to be impressed by the commitment and strength of all of you who do the day-to-day work and collaborate to provide education and workforce services to adult members of our communities. We have great pride in all you do, and we are excited to work together to sustain, expand, refine, and offer high-quality courses and services that provide the region's adult learners with the academic and employability skills needed to identify and meet their personal, educational, and career goals. In support of these objectives, CAERC has been working to promote adult learners' transition to secondary programs and career training pathways.

Great things have been happening in our consortium. We are excited to work with our partners to leverage support for adults in the community. We collaborated with Capital Impact to present at a professional learning event for Legislative staff hosted by Charles A. Jones Career and Education Center. We successfully established a CANVAS Workgroup to support members participating in the California Distance Learning Cooperative and strengthen student support and the development of courses (see page 3).

Our members worked together as they prepared their applications for WIOA II funds and were granted supplemental funding to support their programs. We also partnered with Los Rios to provide outreach and admission one-on-one assistance and registration sessions at San Juan Adult School, Elk Grove Adult

and Community Education, Galt Adult School, and Twin Rivers Adult School to provide access to English as Second Language and High School Diploma students. High School Diploma students who chose to register enrolled in an HCD 310 College Success or a SPEECH 362 Mediated Communication Experience course.

In this issue, we are happy to share more about the activities, accomplishments, outcomes, and successes of adult learners in our region.

Patricia Oliva

Patricia Oliva, CAERC Director



FROM THE ANNUAL PLAN

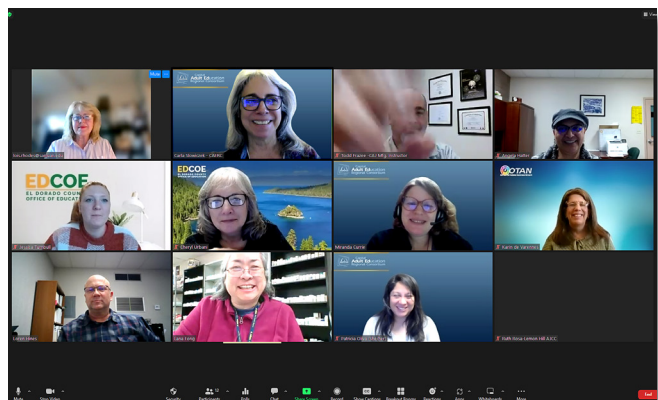
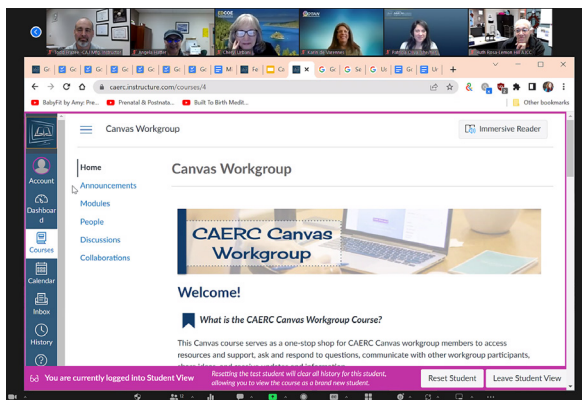
New CAERC Canvas Workgroup Supports Annual Plan

More than a dozen educators and support staff have signed up to participate in CAERC's newest workgroup dedicated to implementing the Canvas® Learning Management System at their agencies. The efforts of the workgroup support CAERC's Regional Strategy 4 to align and strengthen the development of courses to increase transitions from basic to secondary education, enable the use of Canvas® across the consortium, and collaborate with members participating in the California Distance Learning Cooperative.

Facilitating CAERC's Canvas® Workgroup is Miranda Currie from Elk Grove Adult and Community Education (EGACE). Her experience utilizing Canvas as an MA student at Sacramento State and an ESL instructor at EGACE makes her the ideal subject-matter expert to lead the group. OTAN trainers provide additional support via hands-on presentations, resources, and tech support.

The workgroup meets quarterly for 2-hour sessions to share best practices, assess member needs, identify goals, and share and develop resources. At the February 24 workgroup meeting, participants listened to Lana Fong, from Sacramento City Charles A. Jones Career and Education Center, share her approach to implementing Canvas® with the school's Pharmacy Technician Program. In addition to Lana's presentation, participants worked in breakout groups to either create a home page for their course or learn about Google Integration. The afternoon ended with an open Q&A session and a troubleshooting discussion among the participants.

What's next? The CAERC Canvas® Workgroup will reconvene in late Spring to share their implementation progress and creations and to plan for the 2023–24 program year.



FROM THE THREE-YEAR PLAN

Academic Infographic

The CAERC Academic Infographic visually represents the academic courses and testing services consortium members are offering during the current term. The at-a-glance information lets students and staff quickly identify the educational program, location, and instructional modality. The infographic also includes aligned Integrated Education and Training opportunities. Please visit <https://www.capitaladulthood.org/share> to access the interactive PDFs.

ACADEMIC CLASSES & HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY TESTING



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	English as a Second Language (ESL)	ESL for Career Preparation*	U.S. Citizenship Preparation	College & Career Readiness	Mathematics - Algebra	Mathematics - Math Skills	Reading & Writing	High School Diploma	CBEST Test Preparation	GED Test Preparation	GED Test Preparation -Spanish	GED Testing	HISSET Test Preparation	HISSET Testing
Amador Adult Education	👤			👤	👤	👤		👤		👤		👤		
Davis Adult & Community Ed.	👤			👤	👤	👤	👤	👤						
El Dorado Adult Education	👤			👤	👤	👤	👤	👤	👤	👤	🖥️	👤		
Elk Grove Adult & Community Ed.	👤	👤*	👤		👤	👤	👤	📧	📧			👤		
Folsom Cordova Adult Education	👤	👤	👤		👤	👤	👤	👤					👤	👤
Galt Adult School	👤			👤			👤	👤	👤	👤				
Natomas Adult Education	👤							🖥️		👤				
Sacramento City Adult Education	📧*	📧*	👤		📧	📧							📧	👤
San Juan Adult Education	📧*	👤	🖥️		👤	👤	📧	🖥️	📧	👤			👤	
Twin Rivers Adult School	👤	👤	🖥️	👤			👤	👤	👤	👤	🖥️	👤		
Washington Adult School	👤	👤	👤				👤	👤	👤	👤	👤	👤		

*Please refer to the **Career & Workforce Preparation Winter-Spring 2023** flyer for more information regarding the companion workforce training class (IET).

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FROM THE THREE-YEAR PLAN

Career & Workforce Infographic

The CAERC Career & Workforce Preparation Infographic visually represents the short-term career and technical education courses consortium members are offering during the current term. The at-a-glance information lets students and staff quickly identify the educational program, location, and instructional modality. The infographic also includes aligned Integrated Education and Training opportunities. Please visit <https://www.capitaladulthood.org/share> to access the interactive PDFs.

ADULT EDUCATION CAREER & WORKFORCE PREPARATION



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	Bus Driver Education	Business & Finance	Computers / Digital Skills	Construction	Culinary Arts / Food Handler	Custodial Technician	Early Childhood Education	Fire Academy	Independent Living Skills Programs for Adults with Disabilities	Instructional Assistant / Paraeeducator	Manufacturing / Welding	Medical Office Careers / Medical Assistant	Nursing Assistant	Pharmacy Technician	Phlebotomy	Vocational Nursing
Amador Adult Education	IN-PERSON NO FEE	IN-PERSON NO FEE							HYBRID NO FEE							
Davis Adult & Community Ed.													IN-PERSON FEE (\$)			
El Dorado Adult Education		IN-PERSON NO FEE	HYBRID NO FEE	IN-PERSON NO FEE			IN-PERSON NO FEE			IN-PERSON FEE (\$)						
Elk Grove Adult & Community Ed.		IN-PERSON NO FEE							IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	ONLINE FEE (\$)					
Folsom Cordova Adult Ed.	IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	IN-PERSON NO FEE							ONLINE NO FEE						IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	
Galt Adult School				IN-PERSON NO FEE												
Natomas Adult Education				IN-PERSON NO FEE				IN-PERSON NO FEE								
Sacramento City Adult Ed.										IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	HYBRID FEE (\$)		IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	
San Juan Adult Education							IN-PERSON FEE (\$)			IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	IN-PERSON FEE (\$)	HYBRID FEE (\$)			IN-PERSON FEE (\$)
Twin Rivers Adult School		HYBRID NO FEE	IN-PERSON NO FEE	IN-PERSON NO FEE						IN-PERSON NO FEE						
Washington Adult School			IN-PERSON NO FEE													

* IET - Integrated Education and Training: the school offers additional training specifically to ESL students in the industry noted as Integrated Education Training which includes career education, ESL and Job Preparation training. Please check with school for more information.

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ADULT EDUCATION WORKS

Folsom Cordova Adult Education

Contribution by Stephen Liles,
HSE Teacher



HSE Student Profile: Ageev Kiril

Before immigrating with his family to the United States, Ageev Kiril was a forensic scientist (Dr. Kiril). As he became a resident of the United States, Kiril found that he could not resume his former work without an American diploma.

He and his family (wife and three children) settled in the Sacramento area, then moved to Utah and back to California as Dr. Kiril found various jobs (including delivering pizza) until becoming a truck driver and settling in Folsom, California.

Not satisfied with driving a truck and the long hours that have taken him away from his family, Ageev started the process of getting his high school equivalency. That process began last spring and continued into our fall semester when Dr. Kiril enrolled in the HSE/HiSET preparation class in the morning with us here at FCUSD Adult Education.

By January of this year, Ageev had completed and passed all five HiSET tests with honors, and he is now a graduate!

In his own words: "When I passed all five exams, it was so great! It was not easy, but I made it. I felt like I fit in. I was no longer just a fresh immigrant, but a person with an American

High School Diploma! Finally, I was ready to switch from just surviving a truck driving job to a job that I like, where I can use my experience, and get a job close to my original profession."

Ageev has been applying for a new position in the medical field and has interviews scheduled as we speak.



Dr. Kiril has this to say about his experience here at Folsom Cordova Adult School:

"When I passed all five exams, it was so great... Finally, I was ready to switch from just surviving a truck driving job to a job that I like, where I can use my experience, and get a job close to my original profession."

– Dr. Ageev Kiril

"Folsom Cordova Adult School helps me plan perfectly. It was an easygoing process. When I was missing classes because of my job schedule, my teacher was understanding, and he was always trying to help me by giving me useful online links which would help prepare me at home."

Many of our students have overcome obstacles on their individual and collective paths to success. Dr. Ageev Kiril is one of those students, and we celebrate his success!

ADULT EDUCATION WORKS

Twin Rivers Adult School: In Their Own Words



Zarina Ayazbayeva
Student Outreach and Assistant

"Coming from a long immigration journey is challenging indeed. But I learned so much through my first Adult Education program, and the material was very easy to follow. My favorite part, aside from learning, was the warm and welcoming classroom environment and the friendly staff. From my advisers and student support, to the instructors, to the after-program support, to my will and determination, I made it to college and work. Everyone is amazing and will be with you every step of the way. I would absolutely recommend Twin Rivers Adult School, American River College, and the Capital Adult Education Regional Consortium to anyone who thinks college and work are impossible!"

Anfisa Pashetov

Outreach Specialist, Los Rios Refugee Career Pathways

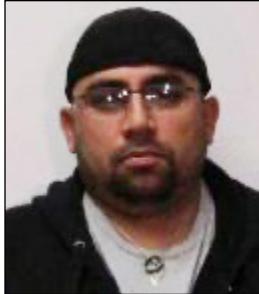
"After a long immigration journey, I found my home at Adult Education and College Students Support. Overcoming my challenges made my educational and work journey interesting and meaningful. My goal is to help students and the community achieve that as well. So come and join me to confront unusual challenges, in order to flaunt unusual success!"



For more information on the Refugee Career Pathways program, visit <https://losrios.edu/community/refugee-career-pathways>.

ADULT EDUCATION WORKS

Elk Grove Adult and Community Education



Nicholas Benavides, Student

"Elk Grove Adult and Community Education changed my life because I can now say that I have my high school diploma. When I first started here, I walked in totally scared to walk this adventure. And now here I am twelve credits away from completing this amazing journey. Without the help of my awesome and extremely helpful teacher and the support of the staff I don't think I would have made it to this point."

Jin Su, Student

March 2023

Elk Grove Adult and Community Education is helping me to know the importance of learning a second language in English and build myself confidence by learning. I understand a lot and can communicate with others. This is my biggest takeaway. I have studied at adult school for two years. My family and friends have seen the change in me. I no longer feel lost and afraid because learning English has strengthened my self-confidence and my purpose in life. I think I will definitely become a hairdresser in the near future.

Jin Su

ABOUT CAERC

Our Consortium

The Capital Adult Education Regional Consortium (CAERC) is a regional delivery system for adult education programs across the greater Sacramento region.

CAERC is funded through the California Adult Education Program (CAEP), a joint partnership between the California Community College Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) and the California Department of Education (CDE). CAEP funds support courses for adults in seven program areas:

1. English Language Learners (ESL/ELL)
2. Adult Basic and Secondary Education (ABE/ASE)
3. Career and Technical Education (CTE)
4. Workforce Preparation
5. Pre-Apprenticeship
6. Adults Training for Child School Success
7. Adults with Disabilities

