



Capital Adult Education Regional Consortium
Informational Letter - Adult Education during COVID-19 Disruption

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This letter is to inform all the stakeholders that during the disruption to the educational delivery due to COVID-19 crisis, the members of Capital Adult Education Regional Consortium continue to follow the education code 84900-84920 and the state-level guidance which remains in effect during the 2019-20 program year.

California Adult Education Program (CAEP), issued a [memo](#) on April 13, 2020, providing guidance that consortia and their member districts must continue to follow their approved annual adult education plans and related budget.

The regional consortia, which served 900,000 learners in 2018-19, are made up of K-12 school districts, county offices of education (COE), community college districts, and joint power authorities (JPAs) encompassing all 58 California Counties. The goal is to implement plans to better serve the educational needs of adults. The CAEP is established under the administration of the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Chancellor and the Superintendent are the state officials responsible for identifying and understanding the educational needs of adults in the state. The AB104 legislation, which initiated this program in 2015, specifically states that Adult Education Block Grant Program (now known as California Adult Education Program) is to serve adults, and an adult is defined as “a person 18 years of age or older”.

Funds apportioned for the CAEP program shall be used only for support of the following:

- (1) Programs in elementary and secondary basic skills, including programs leading to a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate.
- (2) Programs for immigrants eligible for educational services in citizenship, English as a second language, and workforce preparation.
- (3) Programs for adults, including, but not limited to, older adults, that are primarily related to entry or reentry into the workforce.
- (4) Programs for adults, including, but not limited to, older adults, that are primarily designed to develop knowledge and skills to assist elementary and secondary school children to succeed academically in school.
- (5) Programs for adults with disabilities.
- (6) Programs in career technical education that are short term in nature and have high employment potential.

(7) Programs offering pre-apprenticeship training activities conducted in coordination with one or more apprenticeship programs approved by the Division of Apprenticeship Standards for the occupation and geographic area.

Funds apportioned for the CAEP program shall be used only for support of CAEP seven program areas as described above. If a consortia or member would like to offer programs outside of the CAEP defined program areas, it may do so with another fund source (if it is allowed by that fund source).

Detailed public information about the Capital Adult Education Regional Consortium's Annual Plans, Consortium Allocation Fiscal Declarations and Expenditure Reports is available at <https://caladulthood.org/ConsortiumDetails/355>.

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