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FRIDAY FACTS

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ABLE Grant Reading Activities Conclude Today

Today concludes the ABLE grant reading activities that will help Ohio Board of Regents staff determine both English Literacy and Civics Education (EL/Civics) and ABLE Instructional grantees for Fiscal Year 2010. Applicants will be notified prior to the end of June regarding their status. Agencies that are awarded a grant will receive tentative allocation letters indicating an effective program period of July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010.

Grant readers participating over the three day period represented a variety of agencies and regions of the state. Expertise in the field of adult education included ESOL, basic literacy, corrections education, family literacy, GED preparation, workplace literacy and postsecondary transitions. Those working outside of the ABLE field, but in partnership roles, contributed greatly to the process. We are very appreciative of the commitment they gave to this high stakes grant process.

A special thanks to the State ABLE Consultants/Administrators, Cindy Zengler, Karen Scheid, Donna Albanese and Jeff Gove, who worked under a very tight timeline to support the grant application process and a smooth transition of ABLE services for the FY 2010 program year.

LD Guide Update Information

We encourage all programs to make updates to their online Learning Disability (LD) Policy and Planning Guide as changes occur to the program's policies and procedures for assisting students with learning needs. However, there will not be a formal procedure this summer for current ABLE programs to report to the State ABLE Program on the status of their LD Policy and Planning Guide. Instead, that process will occur next fall. More information will be distributed during the summer months.

Coming Soon...a Partnership Conference



Now is the time to start making plans for you and your staff to take part in the upcoming All-Ohio Career, Technical and Adult Education Conference. As you may have heard, the OAAACE (Ohio Association for Adult and Continuing Education) conference will be conducted jointly with the Ohio ACTE (Ohio Association for Career and Technical Education) conference this year. The ACTE

conference will be held July 26-28 at the Hyatt Regency Columbus. This will be a wonderful opportunity for all of us to gain and share information with those who provide similar educational opportunities to adults. Presentations will include topics such as: Instructional Technology, Student Achievement, ODE/OBR Updates, Transitions, Career Technical and Academic Integration, Assessment, Communications/Marketing, ESOL Transitions, DOD /Employers Update, and so much more.

To register for the Ohio ACTE Conference as an OAAACE member (for NON- Ohio ACTE members)

- 1.) Register online at: <http://www.ohioacte.org/AllOhioConference.html> Start the form by registering as a new user by entering your email address.
- 2.) Complete the registration form. Note: your conference rate will be displayed initially as the non-member rate of \$350.
- 3.) On the second page of the Registration Form, you will be prompted to enter a discount code; please enter OAAACE. This code will deduct \$100 from your registration charge, so your registration cost will be at the member rate of \$250.

If you are both an ACTE and OAAACE member:

- 1.) Register (<http://www.ohioacte.org/AllOhioConference.html>) for the conference under your ACTE membership. If a registrant needs his/her password, there is an online mechanism for obtaining the password.
- 2.) DO NOT use the discount code provided above, because the discount for Ohio ACTE will have been applied unless your membership has lapsed.

If you are requesting that your registration be paid by your ABLERegional Resource Center:

- 1.) Check the box that says "I am a paid ABLERegional staff member who is eligible for and requesting the OAAACE registration fee to be paid by the Resource Center Network" AND
- 2.) On the second page click "Send check" to register

Please note: the Resource Center Network will only pay the early registration, member rate of \$250 for the conference. Your eligibility to receive RCN-paid registration will be verified, and you will be contacted if there are any discrepancies. ABLERegional staff members should review the ABLERegional Professional Development policy for state conference eligibility.

Online registrants will receive an email confirmation that their registration is complete if their organization's email settings allow automatically generated emails.

Hotel registration is also available at this time. The rate is \$137.00 for a single room and \$147.00 for a double room. Please register for your room at the Hyatt Regency Columbus by calling 614- 463-1234 or go to http://columbusregency.hyatt.com/hyatt/hotels/group-booking.jsp?_requestid=24191.

More details can be found about the conference and hotel at <http://www.ohioacte.org>.

Please contact Jody Angelone at jody_angelone@owens.edu or Susan Sheehan at sheehans@parmacityschools.org with questions.

Quote of the Week

“A leader knows what's best to do; a manager knows merely how best to do it.” – Ken Adelman