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## FRIDAY FACTS

### FROM JEFF GOVE, ACTING STATE ABLE DIRECTOR ADULT BASIC AND LITERACY EDUCATION

November 17, 2009

#### Fall Directors' Meeting

It was great to see all of you last week at the Fall Directors' Meeting. Our theme this year, Creating a Climate for Professional Growth: The ABLE Director as Instructional Leader, was a step toward assisting you in addressing the Administrator Standards two and four.

- To support the implementation of high-quality instructional services that result in higher levels of achievements for students *Administrator Standard 2*
- To participate, sustain and model professional development and lifelong learning practices *Administrator Standard 4*

We want to thank all of our speakers and those involved in the logistics of the meeting for their help in making this meeting engaging and informative.

Two of the presentations are accompanying this Friday Facts:

- Our keynote speaker has provided her presentation so you can refer to this as you become Instructional Leaders in your programs.
- The presentation given on the assessment and research-based procedures for assessments given by Joyce Winters is also included.

As you know for the last couple of years, we have been sending the evaluation of the directors' meetings to you electronically. This year the link for the survey is included in this Friday Facts. If you attended the meeting on November 9th and 10th, please complete the survey by November 30, 2009. We are strong supporters of continuous improvement and want your feedback and suggestions to ensure we provide meetings that are meaningful to your work.

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=ccPqw\\_2b4AY1HyN6ibAr9UTg\\_3d\\_3d](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=ccPqw_2b4AY1HyN6ibAr9UTg_3d_3d)

If you have technical difficulties with the survey please contact Traci Lepicki at 614-292-7033 or e-mail her at [lepicki.1@osu.edu](mailto:lepicki.1@osu.edu)

## **Survey about Services for Students with Special Needs**

The Central/Southeast ABLÉ Resource Center and the Resource Center Network is aware of frequent requests for services from students with special needs. We want to provide ABLÉ programs with the additional resources to support the kind of services and materials that are often necessary to serve students with special learning needs. In order to access funds to achieve this goal, we need to gather some information from you. Please complete the brief survey below by Wednesday, December 2 at 5:00pm.

*It should only take about 10 minutes of your time.*

<http://tinyurl.com/snsurvey2009>

## **News from Ohio TESOL!**

The Ohio TESOL conference was held on October 30-31, 2009 at the Hilton Easton in Columbus, Ohio. The conference marked the commencement of Gloria Gillette's term as President of the organization and Christina Terrell's term as First Vice President. Congratulations Gloria and Christina!

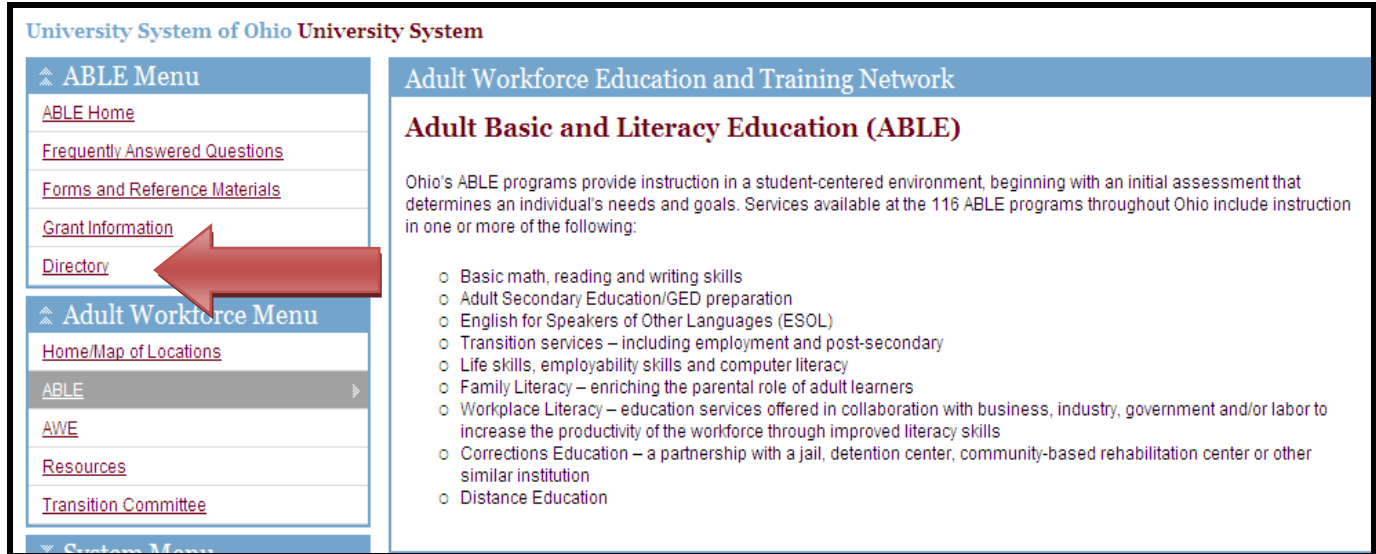


A special Congratulations goes to this year's Ohio TESOL Excellence in Teaching Award winner adult education instructor, Najwa Badawi of Washington Local City Schools EL/Civics Program. Najwa received the award at the Awards Luncheon during the annual Ohio TESOL conference. The award includes a certificate, a cash award of \$100 and a three year membership in Ohio TESOL.

## **Notes:**

Questions and Answers for Stackable Certificates – Attached is the second update for the Stackable Certificates. Also attached for your reference is the basic overview of the tests mentioned in the September 4, 2009, Ohio Board of Regents ABLÉ Friday Facts.

[ABLE Program Directory](#) - The FY 2010 ABLE Program Directory is posted on the ABLE website. Check it out! <http://uso.edu/network/workforce/able/>



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Adult Workforce Education and Training Network

### Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE)

Ohio's ABLE programs provide instruction in a student-centered environment, beginning with an initial assessment that determines an individual's needs and goals. Services available at the 116 ABLE programs throughout Ohio include instruction in one or more of the following:

- Basic math, reading and writing skills
- Adult Secondary Education/GED preparation
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
- Transition services – including employment and post-secondary
- Life skills, employability skills and computer literacy
- Family Literacy – enriching the parental role of adult learners
- Workplace Literacy – education services offered in collaboration with business, industry, government and/or labor to increase the productivity of the workforce through improved literacy skills
- Corrections Education – a partnership with a jail, detention center, community-based rehabilitation center or other similar institution
- Distance Education

### Quote of the Week

May your stuffing be tasty  
May your turkey plump,  
May your potatoes and gravy  
Have nary a lump.  
May your yams be delicious  
And your pies take the prize,  
And may your Thanksgiving dinner  
Stay off your thighs!  
~Author Unknown



Thanks for all you do for the students and ABLE. You are the best!

*Happy Thanksgiving!!*