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# October Events in Adult Education and Literacy

*Orlando, Florida, 9/30/09* — This is an inclusive list of the professional development/training events happening throughout the state of Florida.

# Staying Healthy: Health Literacy Curriculum and Resource for ESOL

Come learn about how to successfully integrate health literacy into high beginning and low intermediate level Adult ESOL instruction. Increase health literacy awareness among your students and encourage them to make healthy choices in relation to nutrition, preventative health care, accessing health services, and other related issues. This 3-hour session includes an overview of the freely available Staying Healthy curriculum, lots of hands-on activities/resources and time for discussion and idea sharing. Each participant will receive a copy of the Staying Healthy Student and Teacher's Resource Guide.

When: October 3, 2009 from 10am-1pm

Where: Florida Community College, Jacksonville, FL

Fee: Free

To register for the training, call (800) 237-5113.

Sponsored by the Florida Literacy Coalition through the support of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida.

# Fantastic, Fabulous, and Free Web Resources: Tutor/Teacher In-Service Workshop

Do you know how many free resources are out on the Internet for teachers, tutors, volunteers and students? Knowing how and where to find them can seem like an impossible mission. Come learn about some great resources that are quick & easy to use for learners at all levels and for all subjects! By the end of this session, you'll have terrific web-based tools for your educational toolbox! Please share this with your fellow tutors and teachers. Participate from the comfort of your own home or office. All you need is a computer with speakers and an access to the Internet. How does it work? We will send you a web address (URL) when you register. Approximately 5-10 minutes before the workshop is scheduled to begin, you simply go to that URL, enter your full name, and click "Login" to access the session.

When: October 8, 2009 from 12pm-1:30pm

Where: Online Fee: Free

To register and for more information contact Yari Payne at (407) 246-7110.

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# **Just-in-Time Tutor Training Workshop**

Who Can Become a Tutor? Anyone 18 years of age or older interested in volunteering to tutor an adult in reading, writing and speaking English. Prior teaching experience is not required to become a tutor. What does the Training Teach Me? During the 4 hour JIT workshop, you will learn the basic skills necessary to teach reading, writing & phonics to Basic students or English Speakers of Other Languages (ESL). You will learn how to use computer software to assist you. The training is on a continuous basis and it requires commitment and constant feedback. Tutors will be assigned an adult student in the Upper Pinellas area.

When: October 10, 2009 from 12:30pm-4:30pm

Where: Clearwater Public Library

To register, visit <u>www.lcupinfo.com</u>.

Sponsored by the Literacy Council of Upper Pinellas, Inc and the Florida Literacy Coalition.

# **Volunteer Literacy Tutor Symposium**

Schedule of Programs: 8:30am - 10:30am Tutor Roundtable: Share ideas and methods with your colleagues. What works for one may work for another. Get some useful feedback and how to work with your challenges. 11am - 1pm New Resources for Tutors: Hands-on training of new materials made available to tutors. Useful Handbook for Students and Tutors at your fingertips and exercises you may find helpful to use with students you think may have learning disabilities. 1:30pm - 3:30pm Professional Development: You don't have to stop at tutoring, share your experiences with other tutors and teach them what you already know. Discover what it takes to become a trainer and how easy it is to get up before a crowd when you are talking about something you love.

**When**: October 17, 2009 from 8:30am-3:30pm

Where: USF-St. Ptersburg Campus

Fee: Free

To register and for more information contact Yari Payne at (407) 246-7110

Co-sponsored by Literacy Council of St. Petersburg and the Florida's Adult and Family Literacy Resource Center, a program of the Florida Literacy Coalition. Made possible through the support of the Florida Department of Education, Division of Career and Adult Education.

# Free Training Workshop To Become a Volunteer Tutor

You can make a difference! Become a volunteer tutor! Help Adults learn to read! Help adults Learn English! This free training workshop will help you become a volunteer literacy tutor. Snacks will be provided.

When: October 17, 2009 from 9am-1pm

Where: Vero Library

To register, please RSVP at (772) 778-2223.

Sponsored by the Literacy Services of Indian River County, Inc. and the Florida Literacy Coalition.

## Fast Track Reading System: Exploring the Relationship Between Sounds & Syllables

This workshop provides an overview of the Fast Track Reading System, a curriculum developed by the Jacksonville Public Library (JPL) with the support of the Florida Department of State, Division of Library and

Information Services. This curriculum focuses on using syllable division and syllable types as a way to strengthen the word attack skills of new readers. Discover the piece that your students have been missing and open up a whole new world of words! Visit http://literacyflorida.wikispaces.com/ for more details.

When: October 23, 2009 from 9am-2pm

Where: Lake Sumter Community College-Leesburg Campus, FL

Fee: Free

To register call Erika at (352) 253-6183 or email her at egreene@lakeline.lib.fl.us.

Sponsored by Volunteers for Adult Literacy in Florida.

## **TABE 101 Workshop**

TABE 101 is for all practitioners who will be administering the TABE test and have never been certified by CTB/McGraw Hill. This will be an all-day (7-hour) workshop. The TABE certification achieved through this training is required for all TABE test administrators. Trainers: Jane Silveria, FLDOE, and April Kalnin, FL Dept. of Corrections.

When: October 30, 2009 from 9am-4pm

Where: Columbia County Vocational, Adult, and Community Education Center, Lake City, Florida

To register visit www.coedu.usf.edu/regionii or contact Patricia Linder at plinder@coedu.usf.edu.

Sponsored by the Region III Training Council.

#### **About the Florida Literacy Coalition**

Established in 1985, The Florida Literacy Coalition (FLC) promotes, supports and advocates for the effective delivery of quality adult and family literacy services in the state of Florida. As a statewide umbrella literacy organization and the host of Florida's State Literacy Resource Center, FLC provides a range of services to support more than 300 adult education, literacy and family literacy providers throughout Florida. Special emphasis is placed on assisting community based literacy organizations with their training and program development needs.