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NEW! WIMBA Online Registration

1. Go to www.excellenceinadulthood.com
2. Click on “Online Learning” at the bottom of the blue Main Menu list.
3. Click on “Wimba Sessions” (listed under “Online Learning”).
4. Find a session you would like to attend then click on its Title.
5. Enter your name, program, e-mail address, and phone number. If you are registering for a Wimba 1-hour session, you will be prompted to respond to the question “Did you complete the Wimba Walk-Through?”
6. Then, click on “Register.”
7. You will automatically receive a confirmation e-mail.
8. Save this e-mail for further reference.
9. Call 800-572-9033 if you have any questions.

Important Notes:

- The **Wimba Set-up Wizard must be successfully completed** on your computer prior to participation in either a Wimba Walk-Through or a Wimba session.
- Each participant **must complete a Wimba Walk-Through** prior to signing up for other events.
- You can sign-up for the Walk-Through using the above process.
- Event **registration closes** approximately 24 hours prior to the event. Register early!

Supplementary Articles for Classroom Use

Promoting Civic Literacy

This document is designed to help literacy practitioners and others establish civic literacy programs to help learners develop general literacy skills applied to the everyday tasks of being a citizen and active community member.

Teachers Transform Lives

The ripple effect of teacher/student relationships can go on for years. Three questions are asked in this paper: Where does this power come from? What is its source? And what makes teachers so special?

Assessment and Accountability in Programs for Adult English Language Learners

This brief article reports information gathered at a symposium on issues and challenges in assessment and accountability for Adult English Language Learners. Over 100 teachers, program administrators, researchers, test developers and policy makers discussed the field’s vision for ESL program accountability and learner assessment.

Please email GK-Henderson@wiu.edu if you would like a copy of these articles.

CIAESC Staff Development Events

Graphs and Charts

Wednesday March 11, 2009, 08:00AM - 11:00AM

Danville Correctional Center, Danville

Registrations accepted from DOC staff only.

Finding the Main Idea

Wednesday March 11, 2009, 06:00PM - 07:00PM

Online via Wimba

Creating Macros in Excel 2003

Friday March 13, 2009, 10:00AM - 12:00PM

Center for Adult Learning Leadership, Normal

Integrating Excel 2003

Friday March 13, 2009, 01:00PM - 03:00PM

Center for Adult Learning Leadership, Normal

Go Green! What's It All About?

Wednesday March 18, 2009, 01:00PM - 02:00PM

Online via Wimba

Textbook Tools to Make and Take - Trees, Dendrochronology, and More!

Friday March 20, 2009, 09:00AM - 03:00PM

Macon-Piatt Adult Education Center, Decatur

Excellence in Adult Education

Wednesday March 25, 2009, 06:00PM - 07:00PM

Online via Wimba

Math Sum-It!

Friday March 27, 2009, 08:30AM - 04:00PM

Heartland Community College, Normal

\$15 registration fee for refreshments. Contact CIAESC for registration and payment information.

To register for any Wimba session, go to
Online Training/Wimba Sessions at www.excellenceinadulthood.com

For assistance in the registration procedure, please refer to the
printed instructions on page 2 of this newsletter or call CIAESC at
(800) 572-9033.

As always, contact CIAESC by phone to register
for any on-site workshop.

Web Spotlight

STEM Transitions

www.stemtransitions.org

The Center for Occupational Research and Development was contracted to conduct the “STEM Transitions” project, funded by the U.S. Department of Education Office of Vocational and Adult Education under cooperative agreement with the League for Innovation in the Community College. Sixty-one integrated curriculum projects for use in math, science, and technical courses in the six STEM-related clusters (Health Science; Information Technology; Manufacturing; Transportation, Distribution and Logistics; Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics; and Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources) were recently completed with the intent of providing teaching resources that offer both academic and career related skills. Create a free user account and begin exploring the many classroom resources housed within the integrated projects.

CIAESC Resource Library Picks

CIAESC maintains a lending resource library of professional and classroom materials (books, videos, audiotapes, disk software and CD-ROMs) and makes the resources available at no cost to all adult education program staff in the Illinois Service Center Network service region. To check out materials listed below or to customize your search for additional resources, please go to our web site, www.cait.org/ciaesc and click on the Resource Library graphic. To find one of the titles listed below, type the title in the search form title field and begin search. Directions to conduct your own search and to check out materials via the online shopping cart are provided. Patrons are encouraged to utilize the online system. If you do not have access to the Internet, please call (800) 572-9033 to arrange for check out.

Using Picture Storybooks to Teach Literary Devices Volume One

Using Picture Storybooks to Teach Literary Devices Volume Two

Using Picture Storybooks to Teach Literary Devices Volume Three

A series of three volumes that provide information and resources for teaching literary devices. All clearly demonstrate literary devices, such as irony, or metaphor, or tone. The first book includes an index of picture storybooks published mainly in the mid- to late 1980s, volume 2 features books published from 1990-1994 as well as picture storybooks considered classics, and volume 3 details storybooks published through the year 2000. Each volume should be requested from the library individually. (1990, 1994, 2002)

Smart Moves: Why Learning is Not All in Your Head

The author of this book brings together knowledge from the neurosciences, bodily movement, emotional expression, nutrition, and social influences in a guide to create more effective learning situations. She incorporates new insights based on scientific research into a more dynamic view of learning and seeks to illuminate the many ways that movement initiates and supports mental processes. (1995)

Increasing Student Learning Through Multimedia Projects

This book answers teachers' questions about enhancing student achievement through project-based learning with multimedia and addresses teaching and learning issues central to successful technology projects, such as assessment, subject-area learning, and connecting to the real world. (2002)