Agenda

AEL Bi-Weekly Conference Call

Texas Workforce Commission

June 15st, 2023

Final

10:30 AM CST (9:30 AM MST)

[Attendee Link Click Here](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZGE1ZTYyMGUtNjRhYS00ZDk4LWE0ZTQtZWYzYzQ5MjM1OGRl%40thread.v2/0?context=%7B%22Tid%22%3A%22fe7d3f4f-241b-4af1-84aa-32c57fe9db03%22%2C%22Oid%22%3A%22b32b847f-13d2-4ffa-a7e2-641fb3d00a3d%22%2C%22IsBroadcastMeeting%22%3Atrue%2C%22role%22%3A%22a%22%7D&btype=a&role=a)

**(Please put your Name/Grantee in the Q&A for roll call)**

# Upcoming Events

**SAVE THE DATES: TWC Financial Conference July 10, 14, 17.** Different topics on each day. Learn more : [TWC Events Page,](https://www.twc.texas.gov/events) to review the agenda and REGISTER at <https://tbc.expoplanner.com/index.cfm?do=reg.flow&event_id=213> . Directors and Fiscal personnel are invited to attend.

**AEL Business Meeting July 13, 2023, from 9 – 12; Register in the PD Portal**

**SAVE THE DATE** for the **Literacy Texas Annual Symposium** on August 1 & 2, 2023 in beautiful College Station at the Hilton Convention Center. This Professional Development Conference is offered Free of Charge! <https://www.literacytexas.org/calendar/2023-conference/>.

**SAVE THE DATE: Supporting Internationally Trained Professionals in Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education (IELCE) Activities.** DATE: Thursday, July 13, 2023 Time: 2–3PM (Eastern Time) Join Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (OCTAE), the Enhancing Access for Refugees and New Americans project, and World Education Services (WES) Global Talent Bridge to learn more about newly developed resources designed to support the inclusion of internationally educated immigrants and refugees. Register: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](https://coabe-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_v_iFIf-bSsCE5IOSFtBbTw#/registration)

**Save the Date:** **AEL Fall Institute 2023: Pathways Through Change**

Doubletree at 6505 N. IH 35, Austin, TX:

Pre-Conference **September 19, 2023**

AEL Leadership Excellence Academy Cohort V Kickoff – all day

CPPDC Workforce Integration Academy Cohort II Kickoff – all day

DEPDC Digital Literacy Content Standards – all day

PD Coordinators Convening – afternoon only

Conference Dates:

**Wednesday September 20th – Friday September 22nd**

**Registration to open July 15, 2023**

COABE 2024 (Nashville, TN) **Call for Proposals**: <https://coabe.org/2024-coabe-national-conference/> March 17 – 20, 2024. Call for Proposals closes 6.15.23

# Announcements

**NEW State Staff Team Member –** Welcome, Melinda Bateman!

**AEL Advisory Committee** [Quarterly Meeting: June 21st @ 1:30 pm](https://www.twc.texas.gov/adult-education-literacy-advisory-committee)

**New members:** Cindy Fisher (Broadband Office), Dr. Ben Stafford (Lamar College), Kristina Hartman (Windham ISD)

**PY 23-24 Grant Amendments** will be sent out via DocuSign beginning

Thursday, June 22.

# Program Spotlight

* 1. Abilene ISD – Will discuss how they made the move to become an HSE Test Center and how it has positively impacted performance.

# Business Items

* 1. **RFI –** Out early next week through [ESBD/TxSmartBuy](https://www.txsmartbuy.com/esbd)
  2. **CASAS**—New Tests/Updates coming, Waiting for Federal Register & TEAMS updates
  3. **HSE Voucher Program**
     1. Long term/permanent
     2. Current voucher codes extended to 8/31/2023
     3. Additional voucher codes have arrived if you were waiting
  4. **HB 1602 Updates** HB 1602 – Signed by the Governor - <https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/Actions.aspx?LegSess=88R&Bill=HB1602>
     1. Rule development – Now-April 2024
     2. Implementation PY 24-25
  5. **PY 23-24 Performance Target Negotiations**
     1. Separate EL Civics
     2. End of Next Week – Look for Email

# Policy

**Performance Guide –** With Editing, updates to TEAMS activity codes

**Testing Guide- OCTAE Approved!** In July, no major updates, no policy changes

# Professional Development

* June 27, 2023 – noon CDT - DEPDC Tech Playground: URLs Unleashed: Secrets of Seamless Sharing
* July 11, 2023 – noon CDT – Teacher Tuesday: ¿Hablas GED?
* **July 13, 2023 – 9:00 – noon CDT - TWC Business Meeting (Virtual)**
* July 17, 2023 – noon CDT – Manager Monday: The ABCs of MSGs, Part 1
* July 19, 2023 – 2:00 PM CDT – CPN Monthly Meeting (Informational)
* July 21, 2023 – 11:30 CDT – Tech and Tell: Exploring the Basics of Book Creator (Part 1 of 2)
* July 26 - 6:00 PM CDT OR July 29 – 10:00 AM CDT - Bridging the Digital Divide in Adult ESL – 2 hours
* July 28, 2023 – 11:30 AM CDT - Tech and Tell: Using Book Creator One Step at a Time (Part 2 of 2)

# Notices and Reminders

• **PD Plan is due June 30** to aelcontracts@twc.texas.gov

• **Career Pathway Implementation Plans**: New Surveys – will be available July 1st or sooner. Please submit prior to start dates for any new Career Pathway programs (IET, Workplace Literacy, ITPs, Integrated EL Civics). <https://tcall.tamu.edu/twcael/grantees.htm>

* **PD hours are due by June 30th** to avoid service disruption for instructors/staff!

# Upcoming Bi-weekly Call Schedule Dates

June 15th, 2023

~~June 29~~~~th~~~~, 2023~~ – **CANCELLED**

July 13th, 2023 – **Business Meeting 9 - 12**

July 27th, 2023