Agenda

AEL Bi-Weekly Conference Call

Texas Workforce Commission

March 21st, 2024

Final agenda

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

[Click Here for Attendee Link](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_OWY2MzIwM2EtMDNlYS00MDhkLWFlZTAtMmQ1MmE2Yzc2MzM3%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

* **Manager Monday: Using National Student Clearinghouse to Track MSG Type 1b:** **March 25th**, at noon CST
* **March 27, 2024 – Workforce Wednesday: Capturing Career Services Part II- Entering Career Services in TEAMS**
* **Career Pathway Symposium:** **May 20th – 22nd** Corpus Christi – Registration Open: [Register NOW!](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Furldefense.com%2Fv3%2F__https%3A%2Fsymposium2024.vfairs.com%2F__%3B!!KwNVnqRv!EHzDfhEywlYWVbI0RAeiTseK_lEPCF2V-sVPtcyr9S9tiNmKj13aX9d1dDYZVXwt-i8YzSxdPIj2cxwMIQ%24&data=05%7C02%7Cmahalia.baldini%40TWC.TEXAS.GOV%7C63776ab6a96b4544487e08dc3a0e9da3%7Cfe7d3f4f241b4af184aa32c57fe9db03%7C0%7C0%7C638449081683551341%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=pvH9fhU4Vx12L1KCfNwZcaoUNJWghkrAm2n36DcjqdE%3D&reserved=0)
* **Distance Learning Technology Institute (DLTI) May 30-31**, San Antonio, TX **–** Registration is Open: [https://dlti24.vfairs.com/](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdlti24.vfairs.com%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cmahalia.baldini%40TWC.TEXAS.GOV%7Ceb386fd8008840a16d9f08dc3df1dfd5%7Cfe7d3f4f241b4af184aa32c57fe9db03%7C0%7C0%7C638453356271778607%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=noxtT6PmZBipcI6SDLYcInsrvrYm0SwD%2FGPOjd41Zdo%3D&reserved=0)

# Business Items

* 1. **Update on Texas Digital Opportunity plan**: <https://comptroller.texas.gov/programs/broadband/funding/digital-opportunity/index.php#step5>
  2. **RFA:** **AEL Core Provider –Limited Counties** –**Applications due 4/3/24**
     1. Register in Bonfire
     2. Not Eligible if already submitted an application that is being evaluated for RFA 32024-00017
     3. Can apply if disqualified from previous grant opportunities, failed to submit an application for previous grant opportunities, etc
     4. Read the instructions carefully
  3. **Advisory Committee Rescheduled to** [**3/27 @1:30pm**](https://www.twc.texas.gov/programs/adult-education-literacy/committee)
     1. Strategic Plan Progress Report (2024)
     2. Strategic Plan Revisions (2025)
  4. **TEAMS Replacement Stakeholders/Workgroups**—I am seeing your emails, we have a list going.
  5. **UPDATE: NRS Test /TEAMS–** UPDATE! [*Federal Register Announcement:*](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/03/18/2024-05679/tests-determined-to-be-suitable-for-use-in-the-national-reporting-system-for-adult-education) Sunset Extensions made for all ESL Test through **June 30, 2025. We are considering options. Nothing is final until Testing Guide is updated.**
     1. Both versions of ESL test instruments available July 1, 2024 (full year pilot) Pros/Cons
     2. User Acceptance Testing (UAT) – Will invite some of you to help test.
     3. You will still not be able to use interchangeably. Test Instrument version that you pre-test on is what you post-test on.
  6. **Revised TEA Seed File Exchange** – make sure you put all contact information in TEAMS.
     1. Phone number
     2. Email
     3. GED Voucher codes
  7. **Workgroup— Alternative Placement policy (invitation only)**
     1. **2-3 meetings – 4/1-4/15**
  8. **Y6 Expenditure Plans –** If you are below the Statewide Average (42%) in spending—you are getting an email to request an expenditure plan.

1. **Professional Development**

* March 27, 2024 – Workforce Wednesday: Capturing Career Services Part II – Entering Career Services in TEAMS
* Save the Date! - May 20-22, 2024 - Career Pathways Symposium, Corpus Christi
* Save the Date! - May 29-31, 2024 – Distance Learning Tech Institute (DLTI) Northeast Lakeview College, San Antonio

# Notices and Reminders

**SAVE THE DATE:** May 9th, 2024 @ 10:30-11:30 : Fiscal Call – Invite coming soon

# Upcoming Bi-weekly Call Schedule Dates

* April 4th, 2024
* April 18th, 2024
* May 2nd, 2024
* May 16th, 2024