The year 2018 marks the 35th anniversary of MACAE, the Michigan Association of Community and Adult Education.

To commemorate this occasion, we are happy to release our 2018 Adult Education Report. This information represents the latest up-to-date information from the Michigan Adult Education Reporting System (MAERS) as of the 2017-2018 program year conclusion.

We hope you will find this information useful, as a reflection of what we have accomplished together and a snapshot of the work that remains to be done.

Special thanks and consideration to members of the State of Michigan Talent Investment Agency Adult Services Unit for their assistance in compiling this report.

Thank you for your continued commitment to adult, alternative and community education programming in the state of Michigan!

“I do this to help those on the margins. I think new ideas and innovation give us perspective to grow as leaders, and to move in the right direction”.

-Bonnie Truhn, Adult Education Director

“I finally achieved my goal of getting a high school diploma and am going to obtain my CNA certificate in the pursuit of nursing”.

-Adult Education Student

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Michigan Adult Education Includes:

- Family Literacy and Parenting Instruction
- Citizenship/Civics Education
- Basic Skills Enhancement
- Soft skills/Employability Skills instruction for the workplace
- Credentialing

Services are provided through Integrated Education and Training (IET) and Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education (IELCE) programming.

Adult Education provides a variety of services to help adults build skills and increase employability:

- High School Equivalency (HSE – GED, HiSET, TASC) and High School Completion (HSC)
- English Language Acquisition (ESL) Classes
- College and Postsecondary Education Preparation
- Occupational and Workplace Skills Preparation
Michigan Adult Education
2018-2019 Program Year

Region | Fiscal Agent | Number of Programs
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Region 1 | Menominee ISD | 6
| Traverse Bay Area ISD | 1
Region 2 | Iosco RESA | 2
Region 3 | Kent ISD | 20
Region 4 | Bay-Arenac ISD | 10
Region 5 | Genesee ISD | 14
Region 6 | Eaton RESA | 4
Region 7 | Calhoun ISD | 18
Region 8 | Washtenaw ISD | 11
Region 9 | Wayne RESA | 34
Totals: | | 120

This number reflects the number of adult education programs who receive Section 107 state funding or one of three forms of WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act) federal funding.

MAERS RUN-DOWN:

- **30,819 Adults** were served in 2017-18.
  - 14,766 Female
  - 16,053 Male
- In 2017, there were **138 programs** with **467 actual class locations** registered into MAERS.

2017-18 Participants by Age

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More than half of the participants in 2017-18 were at the “Working Age” of 25-44 years old.

Ages 19-44 constitute 78% of all program participants.
Region 10, Region 4 and Region 8 constitute over half of the adult education population in the state. The region labeled ‘Other’ includes students in Michigan Department of Corrections (7,166), Out of State Participants, and Homeless.
## State Adult Education Overview

**Average Number of Instructional Hours per student:**

- ABE/ASE = 89.61 hours
- ESL = 92.3 hours

**EFL Performance Snapshot**

All levels of instruction surpassed the negotiated 2017 Measurable Skills Gains except for ESL Levels 2, 3 and 4.

Overall, Michigan Adult Education attained a 51.6% achievement over its 42% target.

### Participant Achievement by EFL Level

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<td><strong>51.60%</strong></td>
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Among Participants with 12 or more hours of instruction, the statewide Post Test Rate was assessed at 65.91%. Excluding Adult Secondary Education, it was 66.34%.

1,011 students participated in Distance Learning in 2017-18.
**ADULT EDUCATION STATE OVERVIEW:**

- Parents of Pre-School Age Children: 7,662
- Parents of School-Age Children: 10,646

- **Children with Parents enrolled in Adult Education**
  - Pre-School Children: 21,470
  - School-Age Children: 10,944

- **45% of Participants wanting Michigan Adult Education help are Low Income, Long Term Unemployed, or Receiving Public Assistance.**
- Over 18,000 participants have children
- Over 32,400 children have a parent enrolled in AE
831 teachers in Adult Education
537 are employed part-time
294 are employed full-time
487 people serve in an administrative role
76 counselors employed (part/full/volunteer)
1,021 paraprofessional (part/full/volunteer)

More than three years experience
Combined: 740 teachers

One to three years experience
Combined: 68 teachers

Less than one year experience
Combined: 24 teachers
Michigan Adult Education provides a return on investment in a variety of ways, by ensuring that program participants are taught, trained and tooled for success in the 21st century.

**Taught, Trained, and Tooled in Michigan:**

BRIDGING THE SKILLS GAP
- Working with local and regional employers to identify high-need, in-demand sector jobs
- Reaching out to workforce and business partners

INCREASING EMPLOYMENT
- Responding to employer needs by creating pipelines for talent to enter the workforce and fill jobs

PREPARING FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, TRAINING AND CREDENTIALING
- Supporting strong academic and vocational education and training programs that lead to higher education and employment.

BUILDING RESILIENT COMMUNITIES
Creating strong community bonds that will spark a stronger Michigan and a stronger nation.
Do you want to make an impact? Consider joining one of our new committees:

**Community Education:** Chair - Bob Steeh  
**HSE/HSC:** Chair - Renae Gowen  
**Literacy/ABE:** Chair - Karyn Goven  
**Alternative Ed:** Chair - Shelley Hanson  
**Advocacy:** Chair - Oogie Lamar

Please plan to join us to discuss these very important topics in Lansing at 12 noon (after our board meetings). We will provide lunch.

Tentative schedule: **November 9, December 14, January 11, February 8, March 8, and April 12.**

More information to follow. Please check your email!

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**Upcoming Events**

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