Membership Check-In

Wednesday, March 25, 2020
9:00am

Presented By:
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Today’s Format

We hope this will be an informative webinar!

Please submit any questions you have in the chat box. We will answer those that we can and/or search for answers to questions we may not be able to answer today.

There will be a time for individual members to ask questions at the end of the presentation.
Impacts on Programming due to Coronavirus

- MACAE Office staff and board members are working remotely and available to assist you! (MACAE Staff is available Monday- Friday 8am-4pm)

- Governor Whitmer has issued Executive Order 21 which puts in place a "Stay Home, Stay Safe" Order effective March 24, 2020 at 12:01AM until April 13, 2020 at 11:59PM: https://www.michigan.gov/.../0,9309,7-387-90499_90705-522626-...

- All adult, community education and alternative education, non profits agencies in our association are closed (working remotely or virtual learning opportunities); our programs that have a One Stop Center remain open with scheduled appointments only

- A majority of our programs have moved to online or digital formats (70%)
Updates: Michigan Department of Education and Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity

Michigan Public School associations are working with the legislature to potentially “waive” the three week shutdown from the required number of school days: Legislature is not in session this week (3/23)

MDE has requested and received preliminary approval to waive federal requirements for statewide testing for 2019-2020

The Office of Adult Education has initiated a FAQs section on their website:
https://www.michigan.gov/leo/0,5863,7-336-78421_95539_64362_64511-371621--,00.html

Best resources for information:
Short Term: MACAE Updates

- Switching our upcoming Committee Meetings to a digital format: (SCECHs available): Advocacy, Alternative Education, Adult Basic/Literacy, Community Education, High School Equivalency, Workforce Development
  - Friday, April 17, 2020 from 1pm-3pm
  - Friday, May 8, 2020 from 1pm-3pm Intended

- Offering some new upcoming virtual webinar opportunities
  - April 24: Adult Basic Education/Literacy Webinar

- Weekly communications and updates with State Office of Adult Education

- Working to create a section on our website for resource sharing and updates and best practices for long term programming
Big Picture and Long Term: Funding, Post Testing and Performance

- The Federal Office of Career and Technical Adult Education will be releasing guidance on these pressing issues VERY SOON (we know these are some of the most pressing issues)

- MACAE has been in contact with state associations from neighboring states in our region, our COABE representative and COABE to advocate for timeliness

- COABE is advocating for a $200 million emergency budget inclusion for WIOA Title II programming in the federal Coronavirus package

- Funding: Priority Expenditure of Federal Funds (WIOA) before Section 107 funds (unless directed individually by the State Adult Education Office)

- General consensus and awareness between MACAE and LEO that there will be a larger anticipated deferred amount for next program year

- MACAE encourages all programs to consider long term programming and what that might look like and impact for adult learners (flexibility is key)
## Best Practices

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<td>Develop</td>
<td>Recommend that each program develop an explanation of what type of programming you are offering during this time (see template); continue online learning for adult education</td>
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<td>Record</td>
<td>Recommend documenting staff time and hours (now even more important than ever): Both LEO and MDE have recommended paying staff during this time with funds already allocated</td>
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<td>Consider</td>
<td>For administrators, Consider documenting what you are doing each day or what went well and what might need improvement</td>
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Take time for yourself and your families too!
New Financial Deadlines (for Section 107 and WIOA)

Section 107, 2019-2020 Amendments
• Now Due April 17, 2020 to the State
• Your regional fiscal agent will communicate with you when your individual due date is

WIOA Title II, 2019-2020 Final Amendments (All budgets)
• Now due May 15, 2020

WIOA Title II AEFLA Application, 2020-2024 RFP
• Now due April 28, 2020
Questions

- At this time if you have any final questions or comments, please write into the chat box.

- We may ask you to share additional details so please be prepared to unmute if need be.
Programming Bright Spots!

**Students: They have thanked me for reaching out**
- Tutoring volunteer staff have been adaptive
- Our students remain motivated to finish their HSE
- Time to reflect and really plan

**Students with high energy for learning**

**Our staff: their priority is students**
- MACAE
- Zoom and FaceTime
- Community support of our programming

**Connecting with staff members**
- Coming together as a profession
- Working together to share solutions
- Students and staff are learning new technologies
- Resiliency of staff
- Reflection: Let’s us know where we need to improve
- Time to evaluate program effectiveness

**Creative thinking and gratitude**

**Collaboration and support from local community**

**Transitioning and learning new software**

**Professionalism of our adult ed team**

**Sense of community**

**Feed families and packing lunches**

**Communicating more with participants**

**The way people have come together**

**Our volunteer staff**
MACAE Leadership and its Board of Directors are committed to assisting you during this time.

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