

2023 MAACCE BREAKOUT SESSIONS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 2023

Session 3: 9:30 am – 10:30 am

Diving into STEM with AfterSchool Mobile STEM Lab

Journey within the MASN Mobile STEM Lab to explore afterschool-designed hands-on learning geared toward school-age youth. The session will include an introduction to STEM-related activities selected from the STEM Mobile Lab playlist in content areas of Engineering, Biology, robotics with coding, and MUCH MORE!

Presenters: Richard Irwin – Missouri Afterschool Network STEM Educator, Missouri AfterSchool Network

Categories: Afterschool

Help Your Students Build Employability Skills to Find & Keep a Job

Work Essentials is an online, self-paced course designed to help students build the employability skills they need to enter the workforce. This instructional content focuses on what today's employers want from new hires and prepares students to navigate their own job search, become valued employees, and advance in their careers. Each module keeps students invested by rewarding their work with digital badges and certifications that recognize their accomplishments.

Presenter: Rich Palmer – Midwest Sales Rep, Essential Education

Categories: Adult Education – Directors, Teachers

Helping Students Overcome Barriers and Transition Into College or Careers

This round table discussion will be led by Kalon Smith and Caitlyn Kroboth. Come collaborate and discuss how the AEL advocate/transition specialist role has changed over the past few years. Learn what others in this position are doing in their programs and share your stories and experiences. Our main discussion will center around the importance of connecting with students in order to help them overcome barriers and successfully transition to postsecondary institutions or their preferred career fields. Other topics included in this discussion will be partnering with Job Centers and establishing relationships with community partners to provide necessary resources for our students.

Presenter: Kalon Smith – AEL Advocate, Moberly Area Community College

Caitlyn Kroboth – AEL Advocate, Moberly Area Community College

Categories: Adult Education – Directors, Teachers, ESL

If We Change How We Educate Everyone Will Be Someone

EMBRACING EMERGING SOLUTIONS IN CONTINUING AND ADULT EDUCATION

- 1) Learn that all adults and students can accomplish anything with research-based instruction for college and career,
- 2) Show how teachers must adapt to the student's new way of learning,
- 3) Prove to attendees there are three simple solutions to solve the current educational crisis, and
- 4) Understand what truly motivates students in 2023 for engaged learning and accelerated achievement

Presenters: Ken Hunter - President, Cambridge Grant Award Program

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Magazine Mayhem: Creating Differentiated ELL Instructional Materials

We will use magazines, scissors, glue, and a laminator to create differentiated instructional materials for your ELL classroom. This can also be beneficial for low literacy ABE students. Come prepared to create!

Presenters: Heather Mecham – Adult Education Instructor, Literacy KC

Categories: Adult Education – Teachers, ESL

Math Survival Kit

(Extended Session – Sessions #3 & #4)

Some easy to remember mnemonics and methods can help your students become more successful in their Math. Great for Adult Education or school age students as well.

Presenter: Donna Goode – AEL Teacher, Missouri Department of Corrections

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Ready for Industry: New Statewide FREE Career Preparation Resource

Learn all Ready for Industry (RFI) has to offer near-term job seekers and how to facilitate RFI courses in this interactive session. The Office of Workforce Development (OWD) fully funds Ready for Industry and it is provided to Missouri education entities, career preparation programs, and Job Centers at no cost. From the creators of KeyTrain® and Career Ready 101® for ACT WorkKeys®, acquired by ACT in 2010, Ready for Industry consists of five 15-20 hour online courses in manufacturing, healthcare, information technology, logistics, and construction industries. Each course is designed to provide industry-specific career exploration and preparation for high school students and adult learners as they begin internships, apprenticeships, CTE, college, and entry-level positions.

For the best session experience, please request your free account at least 24 hours prior at www.ReadyForIndustry.com/MO

Presenter: Scott Mains – State Manager, Ready for Industry
Joshua Sneidemann – Vice President, Learning Blade

Categories: Adult Education – Directors, Teachers

Sparking Conversations about Race and Equity with English Learners

English learners with basic conversational skills are often eager to discuss and learn about racism, equity, and justice. However, few opportunities exist to explore these topics in safe, structured settings, and language teachers are sometimes unprepared to effectively facilitate these conversations. This engaging and interactive workshop will provide teachers with tools and ideas to integrate and encourage critical conversations about race, equity, and justice in their adult English classes. Access to materials to use in the classroom will be shared.

Presenter: Karin Bates – Curriculum & Training Specialist, Intercambio Uniting Communities

Categories: Adult Education – Teachers, ESL

The Funds of ProLiteracy

Come learn about the Funds of ProLiteracy, including the Literacy Opportunity Fund, Mobile Learning Fund, and National Book Fund. In this session, participants learn how to access grants for general operating funds, print and digital materials for their program.

Presenters: Todd Evans – Director of Professional Development, ProLiteracy

Categories: Adult Education – Directors, Teachers, ESL; Community Educations

Session 4: 10:45 am – 11:45 pm

Advocacy in Missouri Can Change the World of AEL

Juli DeNisco and Karen Musemic will discuss the AEL Advocacy plans that is being created with director and instructor feedback. Find out the plans to keep advocacy at the forefront of legislators' minds.

Presenters: Juli DeNisco – AEL Director, Crowder College AEL
Karen Musemic – AEL Director, Ritenour School District

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Building Digital Confidence with BurlingtonEnglish

Digital literacy extends beyond finding, evaluating, and conveying information using technology. It is the ability to be technically competent, to read and write well, and to think critically to become empowered with the confidence to navigate a digital world. In this session, we will explore how BurlingtonEnglish immerses students in a complete digital experience with standards-based, teacher-led instruction to develop English proficiency while integrating essential digital literacy skills that learners need to achieve success.

Presenters: Sam Hicks – Customer Manager, BurlingtonEnglish
Tad Meyer – Customer Manager, BurlingtonEnglish
April Lawton – Customer Manager, BurlingtonEnglish

Categories: Adult Education - ESL

Compassion Fatigue & Satisfaction: A Wellness Approach

(Repeated in Session #5)

Compassion Fatigue & Satisfaction: A Wellness Approach – Participants will learn the signs and symptoms of compassion fatigue on individuals, teams, and organizations. Discussion will include phases of burnout, a theoretical model for workplace fatigue and satisfaction and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration's Eight Dimensions of Wellness model. Participants will be able to identify individual and organizational steps toward wellness that help the workforce prevent and respond to stress and compassion fatigue.

Presenter: Rachel Jones – Director of Trauma Services, Missouri Department of Mental Health

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DESE Afterschool Updates

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Presenters: Patrice Speed – Program Specialist, DESE
James Reed – Program Specialist, DESE

Categories: Afterschool

How Employing Laughter And Play Benefits Everyone

(Repeated in Session #6)

We will explore the science behind the benefits of using laughter, play, and joy in the classroom. We will also experience laughter, play and joy during the session to see how it works in real life. There will be lots of handouts and practical ideas for your classes and students. Come have fun!

Presenter: Cheryl Leonhardt – AEL English/Math Instructor, Ozarks Technical Community College

Categories: Adult Education – Teachers, ESL

How Educators Can Support Workforce Development - Strategies You Can Implement Now

Sponsored by New Readers Press

Workplaces across the country are eager for training programs that can help with recruitment, retention, productivity, collaboration, and satisfaction of this particular group of individuals. Adult education and its educators play a critical role in lifting barriers to employability - from English language acquisition to secondary credentials to job skills training. In this session, we will discuss and share strategies and activities to meet educational and workforce needs for adult learners and employers.

Presenters: Christine Smith – Director of Channel Partnerships, EnGen

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The Magic of Historical Fiction: Using Banned Books to Help Students Connect with History

Do you have students who hate learning about history? What about those who've never read a book for fun? Motivate any student to connect with history and learn to love literature by reading historical fiction from banned book lists!

Presenter: Lindsay Woods – Student Support Coordinator; AEL Instructor, St Charles Community College

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Understanding TABE 11/12 to Make NRS Gains

Moving learners from level-to-level is challenging. Learn how to target the TABE 11/12 skills needed to make the NRS level-to-level gains that are critical for performance-based funding and that translate into classroom instruction. Join this session to unravel the CCRS and to explore teacher resources to complement instruction.

Presenter: Christina Miller – National Consultant, Aztec

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Keynote – 1:15 pm – 2:45 pm

Discussing Disability with an Employer

Knowing if, when, and how to discuss one's disability with an employer can be confusing. This presentation will review one's rights under the ADA and provide best practices on confidently discussing disability identity as a unique strength with an employer.

Presenter: Katie Fields – Disability Inclusion Consultant, Starkloff Disability Institute

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Session 5: 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Becoming an Escape Artist: Getting out of the Box and Defeating Deception

Have you ever felt trapped and confined by interpersonal and instructional problems? What if there was a way to escape that "locked trunk" that was 100% within your control? What if your "straitjacket" was something you are unconsciously doing, but can consciously stop? This session will teach you how to recognize patterns of behavior that interfere with your peace, and how to become an "escape artist" in conflicts both in and out of the classroom.

Presenters: Reay Gilmour – Academic Specialist AEL MODOC, Missouri Department of Corrections

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Free Online Instructional Resources on Education Network

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Missouri Afterschool State-Wide Evaluation

In this workshop, MASN and IPP will present the most recent results of the State-Wide Afterschool Evaluation for 21 Century and School-Age Community block grant programs. We will examine trends in Academic and other youth outcomes as well as measures of program quality.

Presenters: Jason Patrie – Data & Evaluation Coordinator, Missouri AfterSchool Network
Wayne Mayfield – Associate Director, Institute of Public Policy

Categories: Afterschool

Pronunciation for Adult English Language Learners

This workshop provides teachers with practical, easy-to-use tools and techniques to deliver on what adult ESL students want most: to speak English well. By addressing students' desire to learn correct pronunciation, teachers will also build their confidence, rapport, retention, and participation in virtual and in-person classes. This interactive workshop will introduce a range of fun, applicable techniques and tools for practicing sound and stress with adult English language learners.

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Prepare Students for the Demands of WIOA with BurlingtonEnglish

Discover how Burlington English's suite of courses can help unlock the full potential of your adult learners! With WIOA's emphasis on contextualized instruction for academic and career success, it is becoming increasingly important to provide engaging, standards-based online courses that are easy to implement. In this collaborative session, we will explore the flexibility of the Burlington Core curriculum, packed with content-rich academic, life skills, and workplace content, as well as the richness of the Career Exploration & Soft Skills course that teachers can use to help students gain the language and soft skills needed to explore job opportunities, participate in the interview process, and maintain a job. Plus, learn how Burlington's English for Specific Careers courses can help your students master the vocabulary and language skills they need to thrive in their chosen careers. With Burlington's comprehensive suite of courses, your adult learners will gain the English proficiency, workplace skills, and community knowledge they need to succeed!

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Sam Hicks – Customer Manager, BurlingtonEnglish
Tad Meyer – Customer Manager, Burlington English

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Reading to Learn - Strategies for the Struggling Learner

Not all teachers are trained to help struggling readers navigate reading in different subject areas. We will preview methods that help instructors approach academic subjects and give learners organized ways to approach and understand course content. We will explore active learning strategies to transition from 'learning to read to reading to learn '.

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TABE 11/12 Vocabulary/Language

(Repeated in Session #6)

This will be a presentation of a list of vocabulary words that has been created by a group of DOC AEL Teachers as well as various language activities I use to assist my students in learning the various language, reading, and math terms they will come across in the TABE test. It will also include some games I play to reinforce the learning.

Presenter: Leslieanne Bagwill – Educator, Department of Corrections

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The HiSET Program 2023

Join us to learn more about the HiSET Program, discuss best practices and review available HiSET resources. We will save time to talk about FAQs.

Presenter: Tanya Haug – VP, HiSET Program, PSI

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