

# 2024 Promising Practices Awards

CDE Adult Education Office  
WIOA, Title II Programs



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Tony Thurmond, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

# Congratulations to These Agencies

- Elk Grove Adult and Community Education
- Garden Grove Adult Education – GGUSD
- Lake Elsinore Valley Adult School

- Porterville Adult School
- Sweetwater Adult Education
- Whittier Union Adult School

# Promising Practices Award

**The Promising Practice Award** recognizes California ABE, ASE or ESL adult education providers that have implemented strategies and practices to help students attain their goals. These practices must improve program accountability, develop skills students need in the workplace, promote collaboration and cooperation with other programs or agencies, promote the effective use of technology, promote effective student transitions, or have potential application in other adult programs.

Let's Take a Quick Look  
at Each Agency

# Elk Grove Community and Adult Education

## *WIOA Collaboration – All Titles*

- EGACE developed formal partnerships with WIOA agencies to offer education and employment services at one central location
- Collaboration between WIOA partners provides a network of supports dedicated to reducing barriers and increasing access to services that lead adults to career and postsecondary education opportunities.

# Results of WIOA Collaborations

	2022-23 (Before)	2023-24 (After)	Increase Amt
Average Wage	\$1469/moth	\$2051/month	\$582/month
Students who got a job	460	524	64
Students who got an increase in wages	70	87	17
Students who received various services	414	475	61

**Increase after collaborations**



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# Garden Grove Adult Education – GGUSD

## *Fostering a Supportive Learning Environment: New Student Orientation*

*Comprehensive New Student Orientation Program increases student retention and persistence rates by creating a sense of community*

- *30% increase in the number of students taking The CAEP Student Technology survey*
- *40% increase in the number of SSN and ITIN numbers collected*



# GGAE Student Survey Results

- 92% reported that New Student Orientation prepared them for the first day of school
- 93% reported that it helped them understand the programs and student services available
- 99.4% reported GGAE staff made them feel comfortable when they arrived to Orientation

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2023 New Year Celebration

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Field trip to public library

# Lake Elsinore Valley Adult School

## IET Early Childhood Education Pathway

- *12-week ECE course articulated with Mt. San Jacinto College*
- *6 additional hours of volunteer practice at one of our elementary schools*
- *Help with application, resume and preparation for the interview*
- *For Paraeducator and Childcare Supervisor positions within the district, candidates that complete program are given priority in employment process*

# Results of Changes to ECE Program

	2022-23 (Before)	2023-24 (After)
Student Enrollment	34	63
Rate of Completion	16 out of 34 students (47%)	42 out of 63 students (66%)
Students Who Got Jobs	5	11
Transitioned to MSJC	1	5

**Increase in EVERY category!**



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**VALLEY**  
ADULT SCHOOL

# Porterville Adult School

## Resident Care Technician Program

This program was created due to the high demand to fill the RCT position with the local skilled nursing facilities, and Caregivers/Home Care Aides in Porterville and the greater Central Valley

RCT position focuses on providing a wholesome living environment for residents living in the skilled nursing facility





# CONGRATULATIONS RESIDENT CARE TECHNICIANS!



Program Completion  
March 2024



## Program Results

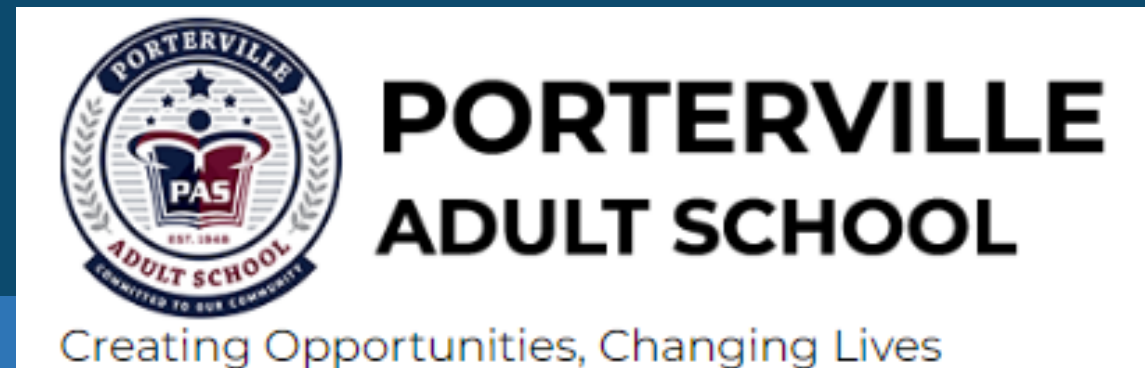
Of the 10 students who enrolled & completed program in Spring 2024:

- 1 student completed the Department of Social Services Home Care Aide Registry
- 1 student transitioned to the Nurse Assistant program
- 2 students got jobs as Resident Care Technicians

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# Sweetwater Adult Education

## Disability Access and Resource Center (DARC)

- **Disability Services:** Systematic service delivery from learning disability identification to strategies implementation.
- **Educational Support:** Tailored curriculum development, instructional support, and non-disabled learner in-class support.
- **Career Preparation:** Focuses on vocational career inventories, strategic resume writing, and job preparation.
- **Personalized Learning:** Enhance learner awareness of their individual learning preference self-advocacy and instructional engagement with confidence

# Results of DARC

- 555 learners received assistance completing the VARK (Visual, Aural, Read/Write, Kinesthetic) learning questionnaire.
- 682 referrals processed through DARC interest form, connecting learners to necessary services.
- 153 learners disclosed a disability or suspected disability. Of those, 26 learners processed for accommodations in English or Spanish.
- 246 adult learners received personalized guidance using digital tools through digital platforms.

# Results of DARC (cont.)

- 128 learners, both with and without disabilities, participated in a course designed to enhance Academic Development.
- 17 learners were tested & found eligible for additional support, with 100% approval for testing accommodations.
- 24 learners received services w/ resumes, employment search, & interview coaching.

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# Whittier Union Adult School

## Integrated Syllabi - IET for All

- We were inspired from our work with the Advanced Design Camp (ADC) to facilitate growth towards a stronger focus on job readiness.
- All teachers in all depts were tasked with revising courses of study & syllabi through the lens of increased workforce & job readiness

# Results of Using Integrated Syllabi

- ✓ **Increase in Q1 Average Salary:** \$685/month in 2022-23 to \$1436/month in 2023-24
- ✓ **Increase in number of students reporting they have a job:** 64% (Our Students) vs. 46% (CA State Average)
- ✓ **Exceeded 20% target increase of ESL students enrolled into additional CTE Course:** 27 students (target increase) vs. 38 students (actual increase as of 4/2024)

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