



TO: Adult Education and Literacy Council Directors

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SUBJECT: Professional Development/Training Opportunity

The Arkansas Adult Learning Resource Center (AALRC) is pleased to announce the following workshop:

Project-Based Science Instruction for Career Preparation Session ID: 515844 - Self-paced via LINCS

This is a self-paced course available through the LINCS Learning Portal. The LINCS Learning Portal link will be provided in the escWeb Registration Confirmation email when participants register. Once the course is completed, participants must forward a copy of the completion certificate to me at shelia@aalrc.org, to have credit posted to their transcript in escWeb.

This course is designed to facilitate the teaching of science in adult education classrooms using a Project-Based Learning (PBL) model. This course makes the connections between science content knowledge and how adults use science in their daily lives, especially in work and career-related contexts. Those that will benefit the most from this course are adult education instructors, trainers, and coordinators, particularly those in Adult Basic Education (ABE), Adult Secondary Education (ASE), and STEM Career Technical Education (CTE). By the end of the course, participants will be able to better understand PBL, including identifying characteristics of effective PBL and benefits of it in adult education, use online resources to guide adult learners in exploring careers in the five major STEM subgroups, identify ways that STEM workers use science in their careers, describe how ABE programs are using PBL in STEM areas, and identify at least one topic for a PBL initiative in an ABE classroom.

You may register using this link: http://www.escweb.net/ar esc. Registration is open!

The Arkansas Adult Learning Resource Center ensures equitable access and participation in federally funded Title II programs and meets the requirements of Section 427 of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA). Participants should contact the AALRC at 1-800-832-6242 or info@aalrc.org regarding any special needs required during training, such as accessibility needs, special equipment needs, learning needs and dietary restrictions. In addition, The AALRC will ensure equitable access and participation in Adult Education activities conducted with federal adult education funds.