



- TO: Adult Education and Literacy Council Directors
- FROM: Dr. Shelia Wilkerson, Professional Development Coordinator
- DATE: November 19, 2024
- SUBJECT: Professional Development/Training Opportunity

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

Listen Up: Focusing on the Listening Strategies our Multilingual Learners Need and Lexical Feast: Integrating Vocabulary Learning Strategies in ESL/ELL Instruction (AALRC) December 11-12, 2024 ■ Session ID: 544747

This 2-day professional learning experience is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, December 11-12, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., at the AALRC. Attendees may valet park in the building parking deck and the AALRC will validate. For directions to the AALRC and a listing of nearby hotels, click here: <u>https://aalrc.org/contact-us/</u>. Jayme Adelson-Goldstein, Educational Consultant with Lighthearted Learning, is the presenter.

In this training, instructors will explore and apply instructional techniques that incorporate intentional, direct instruction in listening strategies. By the end of the day, participants will be better equipped to help learners develop the skills necessary for authentic comprehension and communication. Instructors will also work with a variety of vocabulary learning strategies that help learners address their vocabulary needs and empower learners to fully express their ideas and understand others. The presenter is asking all attendees to complete a brief *pre-assessment* prior to the start of the training. The link to these pre-assessments is included in the <u>confirmation email</u> that all participants will receive once registered. **Please <u>read</u> the full notice!**

Adult education funded participants will be reimbursed according to state travel guidelines (refer to Program Memo ADED 24-05 for full Travel Policy Guidelines). Local programs will be reimbursed mileage for one vehicle per four (4) participants and a second vehicle when more than four (4) attend an approved meeting, without advanced written permission from the Director of Adult Education. For 1-day trainings, participants must live or work (whichever is closer) 150 miles or more from meeting location in order to receive lodging reimbursement for the night before. Total maximum lodging reimbursement per night is \$110 plus tax. Participants must submit an original signed hotel receipt for reimbursement. **Registration is open! Click here to register:** http://www.escweb.net/ar_esc.

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.