

Adult Education / Literacy Report

The secondary program is coming to a close on the last session of the program year. Our numbers for testing are down due to the inability to test students because of the Covid-19. A big thank you to Sean McAtee for coming up with a way to test. IT increased the range of our Wi-Fi in the parking lots of the KLIFE building and the ICLC building. We can test students in the parking lot and help us increase our numbers. We can also test remotely into student's computers to test for CASAS and for Official Practice Testing for the HiSET.

Instructors have been teaching through zoom and reaching many students. However, we know some students do not have the technology to join the zoom classes. Thanks to Judy Stoffel, the secondary program along with Skills to Employment are working on setting up a technology lending library. The hope is to have a pilot group start in May. If this goes well, the technology lending library will be expanded.

Staff has already been having conversations about how to improve our instruction online through zoom. How they can improve, what changes could be made, and what does it look like if some students are back face to face. This is a challenge and one that will be met when the sessions start for the next program year. Being flexible will be one of the keys to success.

ESL will be teaching online for the first session of the next fiscal year. Because the seating in our classrooms using social distancing, the number of students that will be allowed in the buildings will be minimal. ABE is planning on having zoom classes along with a very small amount of students in the classroom for the next session, which will begin July 20.

Title II has completed their grant application for funding the next 5 years. This was submitted on May 1.