



**Tarrant
Literacy
Coalition**

Opening the door to opportunity.



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**November 3,
2014**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR
OUR GRAND OPENING
CELEBRATION AND RIBBON
CUTTING**

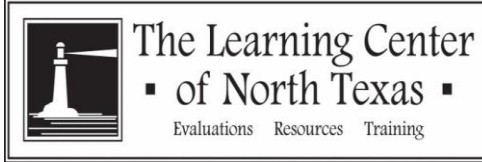


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October in Review

October's Fourth Friday was all about GED! We had a big turnout and great discussion about

challenges and strategies to help our students.



**Literacy
ConneXus**
encouraging, facilitating, connecting

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

**3954 Southwest Blvd., Fort Worth, TX 76116
Agape Baptist Church, Henderson Hall**

**10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Ribbon Cutting at 11:00 a.m.**

Light refreshments will be served.

**Please RSVP to info@tarrantlit.org
or (817) 870-0082**

Opening the Door to Opportunity

Just five years ago, the Tarrant Literacy Coalition opened its first office in downtown Fort Worth. Now, we are opening a wonderful new space in Henderson Hall of Agape Baptist Church.

Together with Literacy Connexus and The Learning Center of North Texas, we are creating a collaborative effort to provide a wide array of services to adult learners, their teachers and community organizations that provide literacy services. This work will improve the quality and increase the quantity of literacy services in Tarrant County and surrounding areas.

We are very grateful to the members of Agape Baptist Church, Atmos Energy, United Way of Tarrant County and our countless donors and volunteers who have stepped forward to help us open the doors of opportunity for adult learners and their families.

OTHER TRAININGS AND EVENTS

How Do You Know What They Know? Informal



Assessment for English Language Learners Practical Strategies to Inform Instruction

Date: Friday, November 7, 2014

Time: 9:00 A.M. -12:00 P.M.

Place: North Richland Hills Baptist Church
6925 Boulevard 26, Forth Worth, 76180

Click [here](#) to register.

There is no fee for this session, but registration is required.

Overview of the Workshop

Participants will learn about the impact of formal and informal assessments with adult learners. Examples of each type of assessment will be shared and discussed. This session is appropriate for administrators, teachers, volunteers, and tutors who work with adult students in all levels of ESL and ABE.

About the Presenter

Dr. Nancy Montgomery will bring her wealth of expertise and years of experience from her work with teachers of ESL as well as her hands-on approach to working directly with students in the classroom to this workshop! She currently lectures at Southern Methodist University in Dallas and has been a presenter at national and international conferences on topics related to ESL in the area of literacy. She has also authored textbook resources for ESL.

"A Healthy Dose of Language" Bringing Health Topics to the GED & ESL Classroom

Date: Saturday, November 8, 2014

Time: 11:00 A.M. -12:30 P.M.

Place: Ruthie Brock and Allan Saxe Technology Training Center
101 East Abram Street, Arlington, 76010

Click [here](#) to register.

Overview of the Workshop

Learn how to integrate videos, readings, vocabulary, discussion topics, interactive tutorials, quizzes, podcasts, and news into your classrooms and get your students excited about their health while they build their language skills!

About the Presenter

Myriam Martinez-Banuelos, MLS, is the Outreach Librarian at the University of North Texas Health Science Center in Fort Worth and



We have been putting the finishing touches on our new space! We are especially grateful to all who helped with the renovations, moving, and painting!

a representative of the National Library of Medicine within 24 counties in the North-Central Texas area. Myriam has also volunteered as an ESL instructor at the Fort Worth Public Library and at the UNT Health Science Center.

TARRANT LITERACY COALITION'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY RECEPTION

SAVE THE DATE! Our Holiday Reception will be held on **Wednesday, December 3rd**, at our new office complex in Henderson Hall of Agape Baptist Church.

One of the highlights of the party is always our Cash for Class awards, in which we distribute \$600 to instructors to use for their literacy classes. We have some wonderful surprises planned this year, as well as our usual yummy buffet of delicious treats! **Watch for YOUR invitation coming soon!**

NEWS AND NOTES



In remembrance...

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of our friend and colleague, David Luce.

David taught GED students in Hurst and was a regular attendee at our Fourth Friday events. David is survived by five cats and his daughter Alicia, who graciously donated many of his books and classroom materials to the Tarrant Literacy Coalition so that his work with students may

continue.

Texas Impact and Texas Hunger Initiative

We are happy to pass along information to you regarding the Texas Impact and Texas Hunger Initiative. Their Community Partner Program is a program that focuses on educating families on the process of applying for public benefits such as SNAP, Medicaid, and TANF through the website



YourTexasBenefits.com.

If you would like to know more, or you would like one of their speakers to visit your class, visit www.texascommunitypartnerprogram.com.

