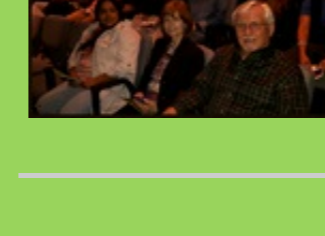


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This Month in Pictures



We want to feature YOU in upcoming issues of the Coalition newsletter. You get to hear about our efforts and events all the time but we really want to hear from you! Please submit stories and articles to: [Sarah Stewart](#). Be sure to include a short author bio and some general information about your program.

Stay Connected to the Tarrant Literacy Coalition!



Dear Literacy Partner,

It's Turkey Time!

November is here, and with it comes the Thanksgiving season. So let's give thanks for literacy and check out what's new with the Tarrant Literacy Coalition family!

Last Chance! Don't Miss This Opportunity!



November First Friday Forum: Integrating Job Seeking Skills into Your Adult Literacy Program

Join Tarrant Literacy Coalition for our November First Friday Forum (in order to secure this amazing speaker, we've had to move our event from the fourth Friday in October to the first Friday of November!) Attorney Rhano Poulard will be presenting information about integrating job seeking skills into your adult literacy program. This presentation will help teachers of adult students incorporate resume and cover letter writing skills, interviewing skills, and other basic job skills into their current curriculum.

About the Presenter: Rhano Poulard is a labor and employment attorney at JPS Health Network, here in Fort Worth. Previously, she was the Program Director for the School of Justice at Westwood College where she taught a variety of paralegal, business, and professional courses including a career management course focusing on drafting resumes, cover letters, and interviewing skills. Ms. Poulard earned her J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School. She is admitted to practice in Texas and Illinois and before the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

Who: Literacy Instructors and Program Directors
When: Nov. 6, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Where: The Tarrant County College Opportunity Center
Why: To learn new ways to incorporate job seeking skills into your adult literacy program!

Don't miss your chance to hear this amazing speaker. Time is running out!

[Click Here to Register Now!](#)



Register Now for Our Annual Holiday Reception!

Come celebrate the season with Tarrant Literacy Coalition at our Annual Holiday Reception for Literacy Partners! Enjoy the company of literacy friends, eat festive food, and win fantastic door prizes. Don't forget, this is when we award our annual Cash For Class prizes! You could be a winner!

Who: Literacy Instructors, Program Directors and Literacy Friends
What: Tarrant Literacy Coalition's Annual Holiday Reception
Where: Fort Worth East Regional Library
8301 Bridge St, Fort Worth, TX 76112
When: December 9, 2015, 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.
[Don't be a scrooge! Click here to RSVP now!](#)

Coming Soon - Metroplex Math Literacy Symposium

Mark your calendars for February 26, 2016, as the Metroplex Math Literacy Symposium is coming soon! This event will consist of a full day of math training for literacy instructors, featuring guest trainer Heidi Schuler, from Canton, Georgia. More information is on its way, so stay tuned!



In the Spotlight: Jamie Willis

Jamie Willis is the Director of the University of Texas Educational Opportunity Center, a program funded by the U.S. Department of Education which helps adult students continue their education by helping these participants to identify their educational goals and assisting them with the college, university, or vocational school application process. Although Jamie has only been the Director for a little over a year, she has been with the EOC since 2002 and is actively working to help students in adult literacy programs continue on to college or job training.

Recently, Jamie and her team have increased their efforts to help students without a high school diploma reach their career goals. The EOC has partnered with the Tarrant Literacy Coalition to help these students first test prep classes, reputable high school completion programs, and identify a college or career pathway.

Because the program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, services are completely free. The EOC will help prospective students apply for financial aid, even as soon as their first visit. "Our participants often start receiving our services as soon as they're certified as eligible. It is possible to get your financial aid and admissions application completed during your first appointment." Jamie and the EOC are committed to helping participants realize their potential and then take action toward achieving their goals. Our goal is to make education a family tradition.

If you'd like to learn more about this great program, check out their website at [www.uteoc.org](#) and start achieving your educational goals!



Computer Basics

The solid foundation you need to succeed

Tarrant County College is hosting FREE classes designed for those with little to no computer experience. The class emphasis is on the basic understanding of the microcomputer and its components, operating system, and common applications.

[For more information, click here.](#)

FREE Financial Coaching



The Center for Transforming Lives (formerly the YWCA) offers free financial coaching monthly!

[Click here to find more information about how this program can help you, or your students, become more financially stable!](#)

Does Your Literacy Program Need Computers?

We have donated desktop computers loaded up with software and ready for use! [Contact Kaitlyn Thompson](#) for more information about how you can get a free desktop computer for your literacy program.

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Literacy ConneXus Upcoming English Language Acquisition Instructor Training

Teaching English With Excellence (TEWE) Training is coming to a city near you! These trainings will help new instructors to master the skills they need to be effective leaders of an English Language Acquisition classroom. Reservations are required.

[Click here to learn more about these upcoming training events!](#)