

*WIA I/EL CIVICS
REGIONAL NETWORK*

March 2007 MEETING

Consortium Report Back

- What did you...
 - learn from the CDE/CASAS presentation?
 - learn from other agencies?
 - share about your program?

2007-08 WIA II Application

- Available now online
- Due April 13, 2007
- Go to www.otan.us

<http://www.otan.us/wia/0708/login.cfm>

You can also find it on the CDE Adult Ed Web site. Their link still says 06/07, but if you click on it it goes to 07/08.

WIA II Program Implementation Survey

- CDE requires programs to conduct a qualitative data collection survey
- Data will be published WIA II Program Implementation Research Brief
- Access the survey at www.casas.org beginning April 1, 2007
- It takes 20-60 minutes to complete
- Survey due April 30, 2007

WIA Title II Instructional Questionnaire (IQ)

- Required by CDE to determine what is making a difference in programs
- Collects classroom related data from ABE, ESL, and ASE
- Data correlated with TOPSpro data
- CASAS mails the IQ in mid-March
- Completed IQs are due to CASAS April 30, 2007
- For results see the DynaReports section at <http://www.casas.org>

CASAS Summer Institute 2007

- Gain more knowledge and skills in:
 - Accountability
 - Assessment
 - Program evaluation
- San Diego-Town & Country Resort
 - June 26-28

CASAS Summer Institute Poster Sessions

- Does your agency have great curriculum or program ideas to share?
- Submit a Poster Session
 - Contact Louann Gigante lgigante@casas.org

Award Nominations

- Nominate your agency or another agency for:
 - EL Civics Making a Difference in the Community
 - Promising Practices
- Search casas.org for further information
- Deadline April 1, 2007

CAHSEE Readiness Test Field Test

- CASAS is developing a CA High School Exit Examination readiness test.
- CASAS needs students who are planning to take the following tests to participate in the readiness test field test:

CAHSEE English Language Arts test

CAHSEE Math Test

To participate contact Jared Jacobsen at
jjacobsen@casas.org

Pilot Test Opportunities

Life and Work Reading Tests

- BX (84X) and CX (186X) tests are ready for pilot testing. We are looking for classes to pilot test.
 - The BX should be administered to ESL or ABE students with reading scores in the range of 211- 235 (IH-A)
 - The CX should be administered to ESL or ABE students with reading scores in the range of 221-245. It is appropriate for learners transitioning from Levels C to D.
 - Contact your program specialist about pilot testing

Listening Field Test Opportunity

- Life and Work Listening Tests are based on CA ESL Model Standards for Listening
- New L&W listening tests are all oral with no written distractors
 - Level A contains one section with picture distractors
- Tests are being field tested now. Looking at what levels it is appropriate to include repetition
- If you would like to try out the new tests with your intermediate classes and give practitioner feedback, contact your program specialist

EL Civics

- “New” COAAPS are now being reviewed and prepared for 2007-2008
- Send suggestions for revisions/additions by April 1, 2007 to elcivcs@casas.org

EL Civics COAAP Submission

- All selections or changes to COAAPs must be submitted to the EL Civics Website no later than **April 30, 2007**

New EL Civics FAQs

- Citizenship Preparation
- Summer School
- see El Civics Website Questions and Answers or handout for content

OTHER

- Date for next meeting: May 9 ?
- Topics: