

BEST PRACTICES CONFERENCE AGENDA

Overview of the Day

Note: Room numbers for workshops will be posted the day of the Conference

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. Conference Registration

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Keynote Speaker

10:00 – 11:15 a.m. Session A Workshops

11:15 – 11:30 a.m. Break

11:30 – 12:45 p.m. Session B Workshops

12:45 – 2:00 p.m. Lunch with Speaker and Wrap-up

Mercer County Workforce Investment Board (WIB)

2006 LITERACY BEST PRACTICES CONFERENCE

Workshop Descriptions

SESSION A Topics | 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Note: Some topics will be repeated in Session B. One workshop, "Health Literacy" has special conditions and will be two sessions long.

FUNDING

Competition for limited funding has increased over the years. Get a better understanding of what funders are looking for and how to identify potential funders for your program from experts in the field.

HEALTH LITERACY (Double Session 10:00 A.M. – 12:45 P.M.)

People with limited literacy skills face unique challenges when trying to understand how doctors' orders. You will learn how to help students improve their health literacy skills in a double session. *Registration is limited to 25 participants and an extra fee of \$10 is required.*

CANCELLED

TECHNOLOGY AND LITERACY

From smart classrooms to distance learning, technology has changed the way we teach. Participants will learn how technology can help them to manage, instruct, assess and communicate in the traditional and virtual classroom.

WORK READINESS AND WORKPLACE LITERACY

The jobs of today and the future require a higher level of literacy skills. The NJ Department of Labor is partnering with community organizations and businesses to support literacy efforts. Participants will learn about the opportunities provided to students to help them improve their work readiness and workplace literacy skills.

ESL LEARNERS

This workshop will provide insights into the characteristics of illiterate and semi-literate ESL learners and the best ways to serve them.