



**Wharton County  
Junior College**

**Proposed Agenda Item  
Board of Trustees Meeting**

Date of Board Meeting: 10-18-16

Date of This Proposal: 9-20-16

**SUBJECT (item as it will appear on agenda):**

Information Item: State and federal funding for Adult Education and Literacy program from Workforce Solutions

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Review information item.

**BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

The Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) grant funds federally-supported adult basic education programs. The AEL program offers services including English as a Second Language (ESL), General Education Development (GED), and literacy classes as well as Integrated Education and Training (IET) and workplace literacy for incumbent workers within the service area assigned to WCJC by Houston-Galveston Area Council. The service area includes Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado counties as well as portions of Austin, Waller, and Fort Bend counties.

**Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?):** \$652,900-Grant funds from State and Federal sources.

**RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]:**

Tara Zekevat, Director AEL

Leigh Ann Collins, Vice President of Instruction

**SIGNATURES:**

Tara Zekevat  
Originator

09-20-2016  
Date

Leigh Ann Collins  
Cabinet-Level Supervisor

9-22-16  
Date

**PRESIDENT'S APPROVAL:**

Betty A. McCreath

10-11-16



## *Wharton County Junior College*

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### OVERVIEW

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Grant Award: Adult Education and Literacy

Grant Title: Adult Education and Literacy

Award Period: October 1, 2016- September 30, 2017

Award Amount: \$652,900

Matching Requirement: None

Requirements for Consideration:

Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) program serves adults who are at least 16 years old and/or are beyond the compulsory school attendance age, and meet any of the following criteria:

- Function below the high school level
- Lack a high school credential
- Are unable to speak, read, or write in English

The U. S. Department of Education's Office of Career, Technical and Adult Education provides funds to states for adult education and literacy programs. TWC, in turn, awards funds to local, eligible providers through a competitive grant process. The program is authorized under the Workforce Investment Act, Title II: Adult Education and Family Literacy Act.

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