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Adult Education Day at the Statehouse to Celebrate Learners, Workforce Partnerships, and Opportunity Across Indiana

INDIANAPOLIS, IN — The Indiana Adult and Continuing Education Association (IAACE), in partnership with state and workforce leaders, will host **Adult Education Day at the Indiana Statehouse** on **Wednesday, January 28, 2026**, bringing together adult learners, educators, employers, and policymakers to highlight the impact of adult education across the state.

The 2026 theme, “**Crossroads to Opportunity: Where Learning Meets Life**,” reflects how adult education connects individuals to careers, community, and lifelong success. The public is invited to attend this free event, which will take place in the **Indiana Statehouse South Atrium** beginning at **11:00 a.m. ET**

The program will feature remarks from state leaders, legislators, and education advocates, along with recognition of adult learners and business partners who support workforce development throughout Indiana

Celebrating Adult Learner Voices

A highlight of the day will be the recognition of the **2026 IAACE Adult Learner Essay Contest winners**, whose stories reflect perseverance, resilience, and the life-changing power of education.

“These stories put a human face on adult education,” said Jennifer Wigginton, IAACE Executive Director. “They remind us that adult education is not just about credentials—it’s about opportunity, dignity, and building a stronger Indiana.”



Honoring Business and Workforce Partners

Adult Education Day will also include **Business Partner Recognition**, honoring employers and community organizations that collaborate with adult education providers to support upskilling, career pathways, and workforce readiness across Indiana.

Hundreds of employers—from healthcare systems and manufacturers to childcare providers, logistics companies, and skilled trades—partner with adult education programs statewide to ensure learners gain the skills needed for today’s workforce. These partnerships strengthen local economies while opening doors for adult learners seeking meaningful employment and advancement.

“Workforce partnerships are essential to adult education,” said Caroline Foster, IAACE President. “When education and employers work together, learners succeed, businesses grow, and communities thrive.”

Event Details

Adult Education Day at the Indiana Statehouse



Wednesday, January 28, 2026



Indiana Statehouse, **South** Atrium (2nd Floor)



Program Begins: 11:00 a.m. ET



Optional Statehouse Tour: 1:00 p.m. ET

About IAACE

The Indiana Adult and Continuing Education Association (IAACE) supports adult education through advocacy, professional development, and partnerships that strengthen Indiana’s workforce and communities. IAACE works to ensure adult learners have access to education that leads to opportunity and economic mobility.

For more information and the program of Adult Education Day, visit [//iaace.com/adult-education-day-2026/](https://iaace.com/adult-education-day-2026/).