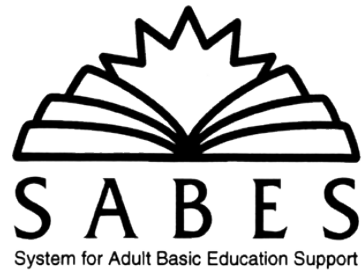


# ***What's Coming Up May, 2010***



## ***Staff/Program Development Activities at the Adult Literacy Resource Institute/ SABES Greater Boston Regional Support Center***

***A project of the University of Massachusetts/Boston, sponsored by  
the Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education  
and the Boston BRA/EDIC/Jobs and Community Services***

***Please visit the SABES Calendar at <[calendar.sabes.org](http://calendar.sabes.org)> for complete  
information about any of these activities, including a full description,  
learning objectives, presenter info, and more.***

--The following SABES staff/program development activities will be taking place in the coming months and are particularly intended for staff at programs in the Boston region. Unless otherwise indicated, each of the activities listed here is sponsored by and taking place at the A.L.R.I./ Greater Boston SABES RSC, located at UMass Boston, Wheatley Bldg., 4<sup>th</sup> floor, room 04-167.

--Any activity offering ten or more PDPs can be counted as "coursework" toward the ABE teacher's license if it meets the requirements in the Guidelines for the ABE Teacher's License.

--REGISTRATION: We urge you to use the on-line registration process provided at the SABES Calendar website, but if you encounter problems with that or if you'd prefer to use a different method, you can register by sending your information to Andrea Lawless here at the A.L.R.I. via e-mail ([andrea.lawless@umb.edu](mailto:andrea.lawless@umb.edu)), phone (617-287-4079), fax (617-287-4080), or regular mail (address on page 3). Please be sure to provide your name, position, program/organization, daytime phone number, and e-mail address and indicate which activity you want to attend.

### ***ACTIVITIES ARE LISTED CHRONOLOGICALLY***

***\*\*\*INDICATES A NEWLY-LISTED ACTIVITY***

### ***Skills Training for ABE Graduates: How Does That Work***

Thursday, May 6, 2010; 1:00-4:00pm.

Presenter: Clare Shepherd

For all program staff interested in the availability of skills training programs for ABE graduates and how to help students transition successfully to this next step.

### ***Integrating Family Literacy Themes Into the Adult ESOL/ABE Classroom***

Tuesday, May 11, 2010; 1:00-4:00pm.

Presenter: Susan Klaw

Intended for teachers and others interested in integrating family literacy themes into their classes.

### ***\*\*\*PCI Data (Statewide)***

Thursday, May 13, 2010; 10:00am-3:30pm.

Presenter: Suzanne Martin

LOCATION: Bristol Community College, 777 Elsbree St., Fall River (Room L-108)

For program directors and others; focus is on using your program's SMARTT/Cognos data in your continuous improvement planning process. (Click on the "Southeast" tab on the SABES Calendar.)

## ***Multicultural Competency Series: Working with Students from the Dominican Republic and the Spanish-Speaking Caribbean***

Friday, May 14, 2010; 1:30-4:30pm.

Presenter: Franklin Peralta

Another workshop in our Multicultural Competency series intended for teachers and other staff.

## ***Counselors Sharing Group: "Disciplinarian or Counselor: Which Hat Am I Wearing Today?"***

Friday, May 21, 2010; 1:30-3:30pm.

Facilitator: Pat Pestana

LOCATION: JFY Networks, 125 Tremont St., Boston.

Open to all counselors (and any other staff who do counseling); the session will focus on helping counselors deal with the two different roles they play: the supportive staff person who helps with problems, and the person who enforces policies and implements the consequences.

## ***SMARTT New User Training***

Thursday, May 27, 2010; 9:30am-3:00pm.

Presenter: Akira Kamiya

For program directors and data entry specialists who are new users of the SMARTT system.

## ***Program Directors Sharing Group: Implementing the New View of Advising Students on Next Steps***

[NOTE DATE CHANGE] Friday, May 28, 2010; 1:00-3:00pm.

Facilitator: Steve Reuys

Focus will be on how programs can move toward seeing advising and supporting students on next steps as a program-wide process, not something that is done just by a particular person.

## ***\*\*\*Putting Math in Context: The Health Connection***

Monday, June 7, 2010; 9:30am-3:30pm.

Presenters: Sally Waldron & Cynthia Zafft

For all teachers interested in teaching math using the context of health literacy and preparation for health-related careers.

## ***\*\*\*Solutions for Mathematically Challenged Learners***

Wednesday, June 9, 2010; 10:00am-2:00pm.

Presenter: Dr. Rochelle Kenyon

For all teachers interested in learning how to individualize math instruction based on students' needs, learning styles, and possible learning disabilities. This special workshop is being presented for SABES by the National Institute for Literacy's LINCS Region I Regional Resource Center.

## ***\*\*\*Connecting to Nature in Our Communities***

Friday, June 11, 2010; 9:30am-2:30pm.

LOCATION: Massachusetts Audubon Society's Boston Nature Center, 500 Walk Hill Street, Mattapan.

Aimed at helping ABE/ESOL practitioners build connections between their work and some of the natural resources within our community by looking at how these resources can help with teaching literacy and science, promoting good health and a good diet, exploring green jobs, etc.

## ***\*\*\*SMARTT Update***

Thursday, June 17, 2010; 10:00am-12:00noon.

Presenter: Akira Kamiya

The focus of this session will be on ending the fiscal year.

## ***\*\*\*Technology Coordinators Sharing Group***

Friday, June 18, 2010; 1:30-4:00pm.

Facilitator: Akira Kamiya

For program Technology Coordinators and others interested in integrating technology in ABE.

## Registration Form (if unable to use the SABES Calendar)

I would like to attend the following A.L.R.I./SABES staff/program development activities:

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Your Program or Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please tear off and return this form to:  
Andrea Lawless, Adult Literacy Resource Institute, University of Massachusetts Boston,  
Wheatley Bldg., Room 04-167, 100 Morrissey Blvd., Boston, MA 02125-3393

### **SABES Library Update**

This winter, the SABES Literacy Library mailed informational packets to the directors of all MA DESE-funded ABE programs. A miniposter to hang in a staff room and a library registration form were included, along with bibliographies on mathematics, transitions/next steps, and the library's class sets. We hope programs have hung up the poster and are sharing the registration form with new staff and others who have not yet used the library.

The SABES Literacy Library online catalog has a new look! Major new enhancements include:

- \* A "browse shelf" feature once you've clicked on a given title;
- \* Book reviews from *Publishers Weekly*, *Booklist*, *Library Journal* (for some, not all, titles);
- \* The table of contents (again, for some titles).

Please explore the new features and tell us how you like them. The library catalog can be found at <[www.sabes.org/library](http://www.sabes.org/library)>.

Remember, whenever you have resource-related questions or suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact the SABES Librarian at <[sandra.darling@umb.edu](mailto:sandra.darling@umb.edu)> or <[sabesliteracylibrary@umb.edu](mailto:sabesliteracylibrary@umb.edu)> or call 617-287-4074 or 1-877-605-5400.

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