

ADULT EDUCATION IN NEW YORK STATE WE LIFT PEOPLE UP



FY 2019-20 RECOMMENDATION:

Restore FY19's \$1.5m enhancement to Adult Literacy Education (ALE) budget *and* support additional funding of \$7.5m for a total of \$15.3m in FY20.

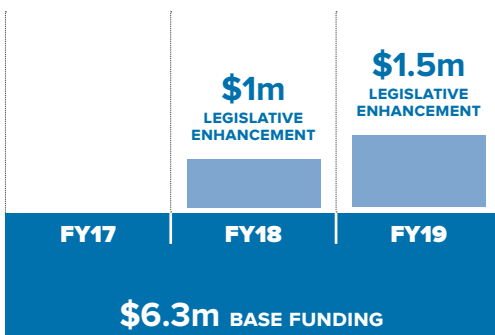
ADULT EDUCATION opens doors by creating opportunities for New Yorkers to learn English, earn a high school equivalency diploma, prepare for vocational and technical jobs, transition to college, pursue citizenship, move the economy forward, and uplift our communities.

Adult Education also educates parents, and research clearly shows that educated parents raise better-educated children who are more likely to succeed in life—and less likely to end up in poverty or prison.

As demand for adult education far exceeds the current investment, we are unable to provide services to all individuals who need them including immigrants, people in poverty, the homeless and inmates reintegrating into society.

Adult Education is lifting people up. Invest in it. Don't shortchange it.

ADULT LITERACY EDUCATION FUNDING



INVEST IN ADULT LITERACY EDUCATION (ALE)

The Adult Literacy Education (ALE) funding stream, managed by the New York State Education Department, is a critical stream for NYS programs seeking to provide community-based Adult Education programming. **Investing in ALE is the easiest way for the State to support high-quality, community-based adult literacy instruction.** Many of the positive outcomes we see ALE participants achieve occur because ALE providers are most often trusted community based nonprofits with culturally competent staff and wrap-around support services.

ADULT EDUCATION INVESTMENT IN NEW YORK STATE



NYS INVESTMENT

Lower level ESOL and Adult Basic Education students well served.

EMPLOYMENT PREPARATION EDUCATION (EPE)

For BOCES, School Districts and CWE



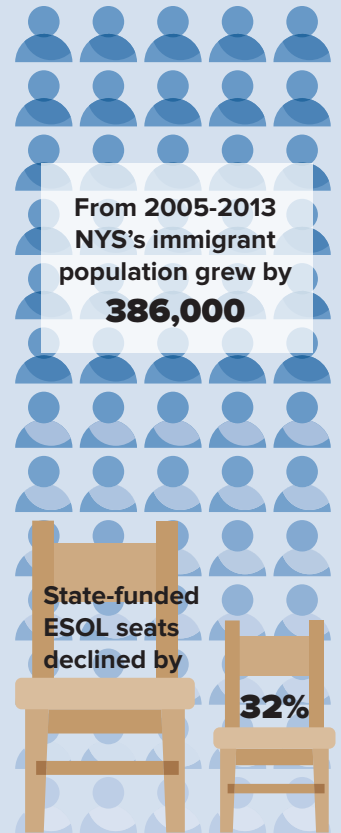
ADULT LITERACY EDUCATION (ALE)

For high performing community-based providers

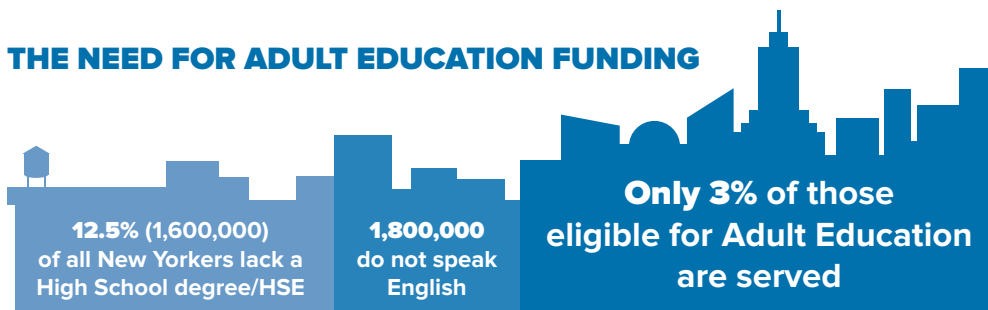


WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA)

Federal investment. Focused on post-secondary and employment outcomes.



THE NEED FOR ADULT EDUCATION FUNDING



INCREASED NYS INVESTMENT IN ADULT EDUCATION IS CRITICAL

In 2019, only **10%** of jobs will be available to those without a high school credential.

63% of jobs will require some type of training or education beyond high school.

Immigrants who are English language proficient earn



than immigrants who are not.

Lifetime benefit for each NYC resident who earns a high school diploma or its equivalent (HSE) in terms of increased tax contributions and decreased use of public benefits



Individuals with English and basic skills are better able to obtain living wage jobs, engage in their children's education, access services, defend their rights, and contribute to the social and civic life of their communities.

ADULT EDUCATION: INVEST IN IT. DON'T SHORTCHANGE IT.

#LiteracyLiftsNY



Since 2014, Literacy New York and the NYCCAL have shared an agenda for adult education across New York.

NYCCAL advocates for an adult literacy system that provides quality, comprehensive and accessible educational services to the over 2.2 million adults in NYC who need them. NYCCAL believes that being able to read and write, learn English, obtain a High School Equivalency, and enter training and post-secondary education are the rights of every New Yorker, and the cornerstone to an equitable and just society.

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Literacy New York (LNY) supports community and college-based literacy providers who provide one-to-one, small group, and classroom based literacy instruction to adult learners in upstate and on Long Island communities. We are committed to advocating for a robust adult literacy system that provides quality, comprehensive, accessible literacy education to New Yorkers who need to raise their literacy skills.

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