

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION
Adult Education and Literacy Letter

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Effective:	Immediately

To: Adult Education and Literacy Grant Recipients
Adult Education and Literacy Special Project Grantees
Local Workforce Development Board Executive Directors
Commission Executive Offices
Integrated Service Area Managers

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Subject: **Fiscal Year 2019/Program Year 2018 Adult Education and Literacy Allocations and Additional Funding for Professional Development**

PURPOSE:

To provide Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) grantees¹ with information on the following funding for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY'19)/Program Year 2018 (PY'18):

- Allocations for:
 - Federal Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) state grant funds;
 - AEL state general revenue matching funds;
 - Federal AEFLA funds for English Literacy/Civics; and
 - AEL program Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funds
- Performance-based funding holdback amounts that become available upon demonstrating compliance with performance-related benchmarks
- Additional funding for AEL professional development

RESCISSIONS:

None

BACKGROUND:

On July 3, 2018, the Texas Workforce Commission's (TWC) three-member Commission (Commission) approved the allocations and additional AEL funding listed above. This information is available under Annual Allocations at

<http://www.twc.state.tx.us/agency/texas-workforce-commission-financial-grant-information>.

¹ For the purposes of this AEL Letter, AEL grantees are entities that receive AEL funds through the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC).

Note: The file at the location above also includes planning estimates and allocations that the Commission approved on April 24, 2018, and June 14, 2018, respectively, for TWC workforce programs other than AEL.

PROCEDURES:

No Local Flexibility (NLF): This rating indicates that AEL entities must comply with the federal and state laws, rules, policies, and required procedures set forth in this AEL Letter and have no local flexibility in determining whether and/or how to comply. All information with an NLF rating is indicated by “must” or “shall.”

Local Flexibility (LF): This rating indicates that AEL entities have local flexibility in determining whether and/or how to implement guidance or recommended practices set forth in this AEL Letter. All information with an LF rating is indicated by “may” or “recommend.”

NLF: AEL grantees must use the FY’19/PY’18 AEL allocations and additional funding for AEL professional development to deliver workforce services.

NLF: AEL grantees must be aware that the 3 percent performance-based holdback is not guaranteed and is contingent on performance assessed according to the parameters and due dates described in AEL Letter 04-18, issued September 7, 2018, and entitled “Program Year 2018–2019 Performance-Based Funding and Performance Allocation Holdback.”

INQUIRIES:

Send inquiries regarding this AEL Letter to fiscal.ta@twc.state.tx.us.

REFERENCES:

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014

Texas Labor Code §302.062

Texas Labor Code, Chapter 315, Adult Education and Literacy Programs

Texas Workforce Commission General Administration Rules: 40 TAC, Chapter 800, Subchapter B

WD Letter 03-18, issued May 8, 2018, and entitled “Fiscal Year 2019/Program Year 2018 Planning Estimates”

WD Letter 09-18, issued July 3, 2018, and entitled “Fiscal Year 2019/Program Year 2018 Allocations, Distributions, and Planning Estimates”

AEL Letter 04-18, issued September 7, 2018, and entitled “Program Year 2018–2019 Performance-Based Funding and Performance Allocation Holdback”