

**Illinois Community College Board  
Adult Education and Family Literacy**



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Adult Education Colleagues,

The Illinois Community College Board's (ICCB) Adult Education and Workforce division is pleased to release a statewide Career Pathway Contextualized Basic Skills Curriculum intended to introduce career pathways to students at the 5.0 – 7.0 grade level equivalency. As you know, these students don't always have the opportunity to participate in a wide range of bridge or career pathway programs and activities. Knowing this, we are thrilled to provide this contextualized curriculum to programs in order to enhance the basic skills of their students and to assist them in transitioning to the next level of education; whether it is into bridge or integrated education and training programs or any other training and employment related activities.

As Illinois Adult Education implements the new requirements of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) and continues to address the strategic plan goals of "*Creating Pathways for Adult Learners*," this curriculum will serve as a useful resource as you develop instructional services that prepare students for success in education, training and employment. This curriculum is aligned with the Illinois Adult Education Standards for Adult Basic Education (ABE) and Adult Secondary Education (ASE) as well as the College and Career Readiness Standards (CCRS).

The ICCB would like to thank the Southern Illinois Professional Development Center (SIPDC) and Alice Daniels of Rock Valley College for creating this curriculum. It is our hope that it will be a valuable resource to programs, teachers and students.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer K. Foster".

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