Florida’s adult education system includes a range of instructional programs that help adults get the basic skills they need to be productive workers, family members, and citizens. The major program areas are Adult Basic Education, Adult High School and GED® Preparation, and English for Speakers of other Languages. These programs emphasize basic skills such as reading, writing, math, and English language competency. Adult education programs also help adult learners gain the knowledge and skills they need to enter and succeed in postsecondary education.

Who We Serve

Adult education programs are available to individuals that:

- Are 16 years or older;
- Are not enrolled or required to be enrolled in secondary school;
- Do not have a high school diploma or its equivalent;
- Want to learn to speak, read, and write the English language.

Program Spotlight

The Florida Adult Education Report Card describes who is being served in Adult Basic Education (ABE) programs statewide. ABE serves students who are the grade equivalent level of 0-8.9. ABE has the highest enrollment at 66,430 of all the adult education programs.
Enrollment

69
Number of districts and colleges that provided Adult Basic Education in 2013-14

31%
Three districts, Miami Dade, Broward and Pinellas account for nearly one third of the enrollment

1 out of 4
Participants are enrolled in ABE programs offered at the Florida Colleges

Enrollment in Adult Basic Education, 2013-14

A Diverse Population

8 out of 10 students are identified as non-white

46% of students are Hispanic
29% of students are black

Distribution of College Enrollment in Adult Basic Education Programs by Race/Ethnicity, 2013-14