

GRWDB Literacy Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 2 p.m.

Join the meeting: <https://meet.goto.com/791186461>

Call in: 872-240-3212; Access code: 791-186-461

The **mission** of the GRWDB's Literacy Committee is to coordinate Adult Basic Education and English Language Learning programs across Hunterdon and Somerset Counties so that adults at all levels of literacy have access to quality literacy education that will help them develop the basic skills needed to:

- Earn a high school equivalency diploma
- Obtain and retain employment
- Progress to post-secondary education and apprenticeships
- Earn industry-recognized credentials
- Gain and maintain financial independence
- Become active and contributing members of the community

The Literacy Committee is a mechanism for collaboration, strategic planning, sharing and leveraging resources, and seeking additional sources of funding. Member literacy organizations focus on instruction that helps adults develop skills determined to be minimum pre-requisite qualifications for employment or training, including reading, writing, listening, speaking, critical thinking, problem solving, numeracy, soft skills and digital literacy.

The committee welcomes members from all sectors of the community including state-funded literacy providers, other literacy services providers, employers, social services and human services agencies, and members of the general public with expertise and interest in adult literacy in the two counties.

- I. Introductions
- II. July 16, 2024, [Meeting Minutes](#)*
- III. Discussion on how classes are going in general
- IV. Overview of First Steps and how new [ARP funding will be used in 2025/ 2026](#) to continue the programming and how integration is going with other programs
- V. GRWDB [Response to NJDOL Literacy Initiative – Next Steps](#) – and status of application. If successful, how will this be integrated into existing programs?
- VI. Discussion on the need to integrate all literacy students into other WIOA / GRWDB programs. At the October GSETA Conference, a session was dedicated to [co-enrollment and Title II and other literacy programs](#) were specifically mentioned, along with Division of Vocational Rehabilitation programming
- VII. Reminder of updated flyers; [English](#) and [Spanish](#); Other business, adjournment

* Please click on the hyperlinked items to view supporting documents