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**MCAE's ABE SHOWCASE  
State House  
May 17 (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)**

**Registration deadline: May 2  
Space is limited!**

**Don't miss the opportunity to showcase your program at  
MCAE's new ABE Showcase at the State House!**

**Register now by emailing Jennifer McAllister at  
[jmcallister@mcae.net](mailto:jmcallister@mcae.net)**

- The ABE Showcase will feature ABE programs from all regions of the state so every legislator can meet and speak with the service providers in his/her district.
- **Event schedule:**
  - 9:00 a.m. Set-up begins
  - 9:30 a.m. Set-up completed
  - 10:00 a.m. Event begins
  - 11:00 a.m. Speaking and awards program begins
  - 11:30 a.m. Program concludes
  - 2:00 p.m. Event concludes
- **Special features: MCAE's Outstanding Student and Special Recognition Awards** will be presented during the awards program. See below if you know someone who deserves recognition! Nomination deadline is **April 30**.

- **Participating programs at the Showcase are asked to:**
  - Set-up materials between 9:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.
  - Have 2 to 5 people staff your table. A mix of staff and students would be ideal.
  - Staff your table until at least 1 p.m. to provide the maximum opportunity for legislators and legislative staff to visit your table during the morning and through lunch.
  
- **Space is limited! Register by May 2!**
  - Additional people from your program are welcome to attend the event.
  - However, due to space limitations, we'll only have room for 2 to 5 people to staff and be situated at your table.
  
- **If you're unable to participate, you can send materials to MCAE by May 15 to be displayed on your region's table:**
  - Materials can include items such as a program brochure, copies of a recent news article or a flyer for an upcoming event at your program.
  - Please send 25 to 50 copies. We are unable to make copies for you.
  - Mail your program materials to MCAE, 44 Farnsworth St., Boston, MA 02210.

## **TELL US WHO'S OUTSTANDING IN ABE!**

### **Student and Special Recognition Awards Nomination Deadline: April 30**

The field of adult basic education in Massachusetts is rich with outstanding educators, students and community leaders, and we're sure you know someone who deserves recognition!

**This year, the Outstanding Student and Special Recognition Awards will be presented at MCAE's new event, the ABE Showcase, at the State House on May 17.**

The Outstanding Student Award is presented to a student who has overcome difficult circumstances to pursue adult education.

The Special Recognition Award is presented to an individual, organization, business or labor partner whose lifetime

contributions to adult education merit special recognition.

**To make a nomination by April 30:**

- You must be an MCAE member. The nominee is not required to be an MCAE member.
- Nominations must be received by email (preferred) or mail on or before April 30.
- Student and Special Recognition Nomination forms can be found at the [MCAE website](#).

## Working Conditions Blog

Check out the new blog post Early Educators' Union a Model for Adult Ed? Join the conversation at "[Making a Living \(?\) in Adult Education](#)" and post your comments! Let's continue the conversation about our ABE working conditions! Poor working conditions not only impact ABE practitioners, they impact ABE students!

If you would like to submit your thoughts, send articles or posts to Working Conditions committee blogmaster Jana Pickard-Richardson [janapr02@gmail.com](mailto:janapr02@gmail.com) or leave a comment on the blog. We're looking forward to hearing from you. [Check it out!](#)

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