

Rhode Island Adult Education Conference

May 19, 2009, 9:00 – 3:30

Student Union Ballroom, Rhode Island College

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****Introducing New Workshops for Students****

The Rhode Island Adult Education Conference aims to bring together a range of voices and knowledge and to further opportunities for adult educators and learners to share ideas and learn with one another. We look forward to your being part of this process. **This year the conference will include workshops to help students build their leadership skills and knowledge of adult education advocacy!** For workshops offered to adult education teachers and practitioners visit http://brown.edu/Departments/Sweaver_Center/Literacy_Resources/conference09.html

Student Workshops:

While many of the workshops are primarily for adult learners, practitioners are also welcome!

9:00-10:30: Student Leadership and Advocacy: An interactive and engaging session that will raise the awareness of all the roles students play as leaders.

10:45-12:15: Advocating for Adult Education at the RI State House: Participants will develop skills and knowledge of adult education advocacy at the state level. After learning about the state budget process in the RI legislature and ways to advocate for state investments in adult education, participants will take on different roles, develop message points, and role play speaking to legislators.

Lunch will be served from 12:15-1:15, and will be provided only to students who pre-register.

1:15-2:15: Advocating for Adult Education in Washington, D.C.: RI Adult Learners and Practitioners who have taken part in the Student Leadership Trainings in D.C. in early May will share their experiences, and what they have learned about how to influence Congress.

2:30-3:30: Adult Education from the Learners' Point of View: Panel of Learner: A panel of adult learners will share their own stories, make thoughtful recommendations to the adult education community, and take questions and discussion from the audience.



The deadline for registration is May 5th. To register for the conference, please contact Jessica Ortiz at (401)456-2838, or email jortiz@ric.edu. There is no registration fee for students to attend!