



ALERT

THE VOICE OF
ADULT EDUCATION
IN MASSACHUSETTS

Alert #3 - FY2010

12/2/09

ALERT SUMMARY:

1. PURVIEW: State (not federal)

2. LEVEL OF MOBILIZATION: Appropriate program staff, students and volunteers

FY11 BUDGET HEARINGS: NOW THRU DECEMBER 17

- The administration is in the process of developing the Governor's budget for FY2011, which is released in late January.

- Governor Patrick is holding a series of public hearings and forums to collect input from residents and organizations regarding the budget.

- Hearings and forums are being held in: Boston (4 events scheduled), Bridgewater, Fitchburg, Lawrence, Melrose, Plymouth, Springfield (3 events scheduled), Sutton, Ware and Weymouth from now thru December 17.

- MCAE encourages you to attend the hearings/forums in your region to discuss the importance of adult basic education in your community.

- For more information regarding the specific schedule and locations for the hearings and forums, go to [the Governor's FY2011 budget website](#).

MCAE'S FY 2011 BUDGET MESSAGE

- MCAE will submit budget testimony on behalf of the ABE field and plans to attend the following FY2011 Budget Hearings:

- **December 7 (3 p.m.) in Boston:**

Moderated by Interim Secretary Nancy Snyder (Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development)

NEXT MCAE PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

December 11, 2009

10 a.m. to 12 noon

UMass/Boston

100 Morrissey Blvd

Healey Library

Media Conference Room

Lower Level

via videoconference:

Holyoke Community College

contact gkohout@hcc.edu for
exact room location

- **December 16 (6 p.m.) in Boston:**

Moderated by Secretary Paul Reville (Executive Office of Education)

- As a result of the state's uncertain revenue picture, MCAE's FY2011 budget goals are to:

1. **minimize cuts to the ABE line item; and**
2. **maintain ABE system capacity to the maximum extent possible.**

- To access MCAE's FY2011 budget documents, go to: <http://www.mcae.net/documents/FY2011ABEBUDGETREQUEST.pdf> and <http://www.mcae.net/documents/FY2011ABEFACTSHEET.pdf>

- Once finalized, MCAE's FY2011 budget testimony will be announced in a future alert and will be posted to the MCAE Public Policy page of the website: <http://www.mcae.net/publicpolicy.state.php>

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A HEARING AND A FORUM

- A **budget hearing** provides an opportunity for interested parties to submit formal testimony (both written and verbal). Open to the public, hearings generally attract stakeholders with specific comments and recommendations.

- A **budget forum** provides an opportunity for everyone to participate in an open conversation. While each host will tailor his/her presentation to their respective secretariat (e.g., education or labor and workforce development), the conversations are generally less technical, encourage greater dialogue and will address the budget as a whole.

- For more information, go www.mass.gov/governor/forum.

QUESTIONS:

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