



NETWORK CONFERENCE

MAY 5, 2023

(A virtual conference)

Why NETWORK and MCAE are important to your program

What is NETWORK?

For those of you who are new to adult education, [NETWORK](#) is the adult education conference in Massachusetts sponsored by the Massachusetts Coalition for Adult Education (MCAE).

The conference is not only a superb professional development event for staff, NETWORK is also the major source of revenue for MCAE, the organization which advocates on behalf of the adult education field for increased funding and effective policies and legislation.

MCAE has successfully pushed for increases in state funding for the ABE programs through the state budget from \$33.35 million in FY2019 (the last open and competitive grant round) to \$60 million for FY23 (a \$10 million increase over FY22).

Revenue from NETWORK goes directly to supporting MCAE's work to increase funding for all adult education programs funded by DESE. Your program's DESE funding is made possible by MCAE's work.

If you are new to adult education or new to your position as a director, please visit www.mcae.net to learn more about what we do on your behalf.

Plan now to use PD funds and time to send staff to NETWORK

NETWORK brings together 500 teachers, tutors, counselors, administrators, students, and advocates for a day of state-of-the-art professional development and celebration. You and your staff won't want to miss it!

NETWORK registration is an eligible cost under your DESE grant. DESE has encouraged program directors to send staff to NETWORK because of its high quality offerings.

Become a NETWORK Conference Committee member!

We're looking for people to help plan various aspects of the conference. If you're interested in working on NETWORK or want more information, please email MCAENETWORK2023@gmail.com