

## **MassAAL/MCAE Student Leadership-Advocacy/Media Training for FY 2010**

MassAAL and MCAE will be offering joint Student Leadership Trainings focusing on advocacy and media awareness. The training helps adult learners develop their skills as student leaders and are a great preparation for Adult Literacy Awareness Day at the State House, our annual event that regularly attracts over one thousand adult learners and educators.

Adult Literacy Awareness Day at the Massachusetts State House is the premier event for the field of adult literacy in Massachusetts. Students, teachers, graduates and supporters from every part of the Commonwealth meet at the Gardner Auditorium to make their voices heard in order to create awareness of the life-changing work that happens in ABE (Adult Basic Education) classrooms everyday. ABE is a beacon of hope in our society today that allows anyone who is willing to work hard and stick with it a real chance at the American Dream. This year, **Adult Literacy Awareness Day** will be on **March 18<sup>th</sup>** at 11 am at the State House.

The student leadership trainings will include a continental breakfast, information on student leadership, and MassAAL/MCAE Advocacy/Media Training. Lunch will be provided. The highlight of the training will be a trip to the State House to visit legislative offices. Adult learner leaders and accompanying practitioners are encouraged to notify your local legislators of your visit on that day.

We are asking that **2-4** adult learners and one practitioner per program to attend **1** training. There will be three to five programs participating in each of the trainings for a total of **10-15** students per training. Graduates of your programs are also welcome to attend. This is a great opportunity for students from different programs to meet.

### **MassAAL/MCAE Advocacy /Media Training Dates for FY 10**

**Thursday, January 28, 2010**

**Tuesday, February 2, 2010**

**Thursday, February 4, 2010**

**Thursday, February 11, 2010**

**Thursday, February 25, 2010**

**Snow Date: Thursday, March 4, 2010**

**(All trainings will begin at 9:30 a.m.)**

**Ernest Best, Executive Director**

*Massachusetts Alliance for Adult Literacy*

The trainings will be held at the offices of the Massachusetts Coalition for Adult Education (MCAE) at 101 Tremont Street, Room 812, Boston, MA 02108. These trainings are a MassAAL/MCAE Collaboration.

To register for training contact Teha Woodrow, MassAAL Associate, at 117 Mt. Pleasant Avenue, Roxbury, MA 02119, Fax # (617) 445-5989 or email [teha.woodrow@yahoo.com](mailto:teha.woodrow@yahoo.com) as soon as possible to secure your place.