Reboot Your Digital Strategy!

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- An online Community of Practice where you can share knowledge and collaborate with your peers
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- Four Regional Professional Development Centers
 (RPDCs) that deploy evidenced-based PD trainings to states

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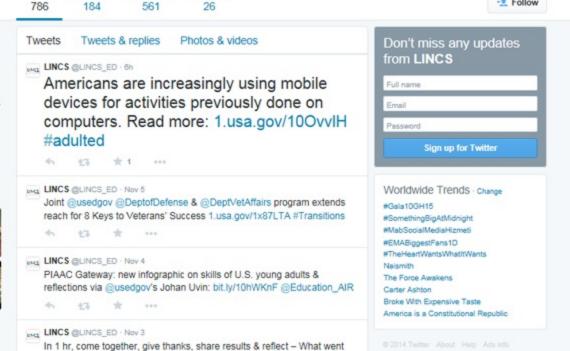
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6 Photos and videos







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Objectives

By the end of the workshop, you will be able to:

- Describe and evaluate national initiatives, resources, and tools to enhance digital literacy programming and services
- Select a resource or tool to share at your organization, and draft a plan for next steps

For what type of organization do you work?



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Introductions

- What is your name, position, and organization name and type?
- What is a <u>digital literacy</u> <u>challenge</u> you are working to address at your organization? How?



Digital Literacy Access Affordability Confidence Ease of use Relevance

Defining Digital Literacy

Digital literacy is defined as: the skills associated with using technology to enable users to find, evaluate, organize, create, and communicate information (U.S. Department of Education, 2015), and the ability to use those skills to solve problems in technology-rich environments (Leu, Kinzer, Coiro, Castek, & Henry, 2013).

Literacy and Technology

Literacy is enhanced by digital literacy.

Digital literacy is improved by **practice**.

Practice is enabled by digital access.



ACCESS

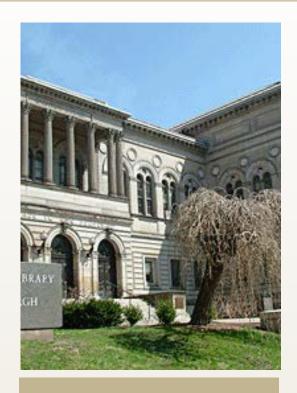


Access to what?

The future!

- Internet, wired and Wi-Fi
- Broadband
- Cell service
- Data and text cell phone plans
- Computer and printer
- Power and memory
- Projectors for classrooms
- High-quality content
- Digital literacy training

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Access

Where is access to computers and internet in every community?

- Working with libraries
 - OCTAE working closely with Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)
 - 16,500 public libraries in the U.S.
 - 77M people used the library for computers and Wi-Fi access in 2009
 - 42% of library computer users cite education as their main reason
 - 24% were taking an online course or assignment

(Becker, Crandall, Fisher, Kinney, Landry, and Rocha, 2010)

Digital Literacy in Libraries

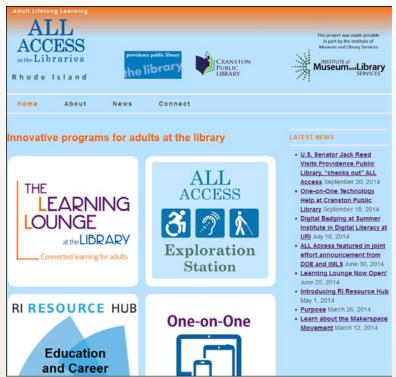


What does digital literacy education in libraries look like?

- School librarians can help children develop basic digital literacy competencies
- IMLS-funded Learning Labs help young adults gain more advanced knowledge and skills for coding, digital storytelling, and game design
- What about adults? Libraries provide:
 - learning opportunities outside K-12 educational system
 - computer classes & self-directed tutorials to use onsite or at home
 - The District of Columbia Public Library offers a GED© institute to help better prepare instructors who teach adults who struggle with preparing for the GED© exam.

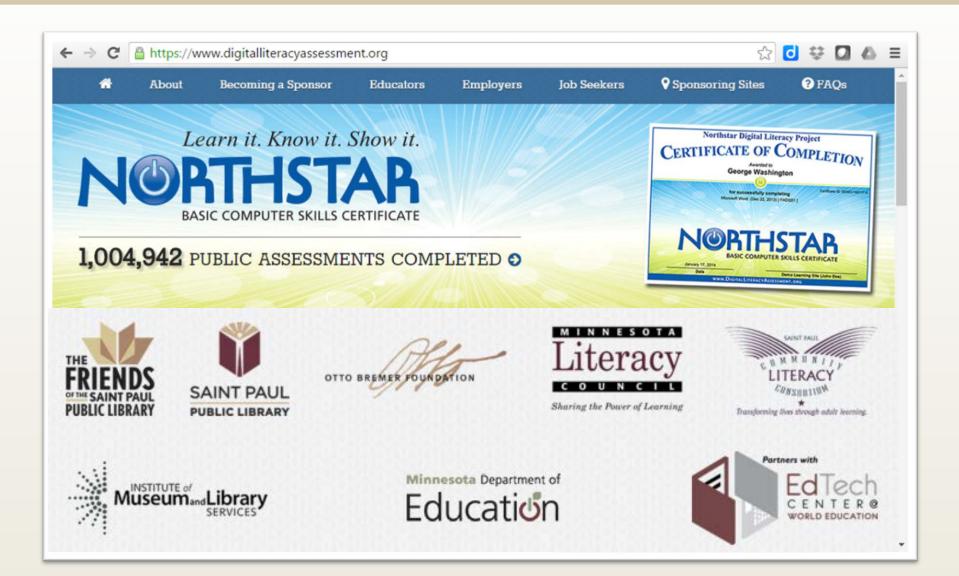
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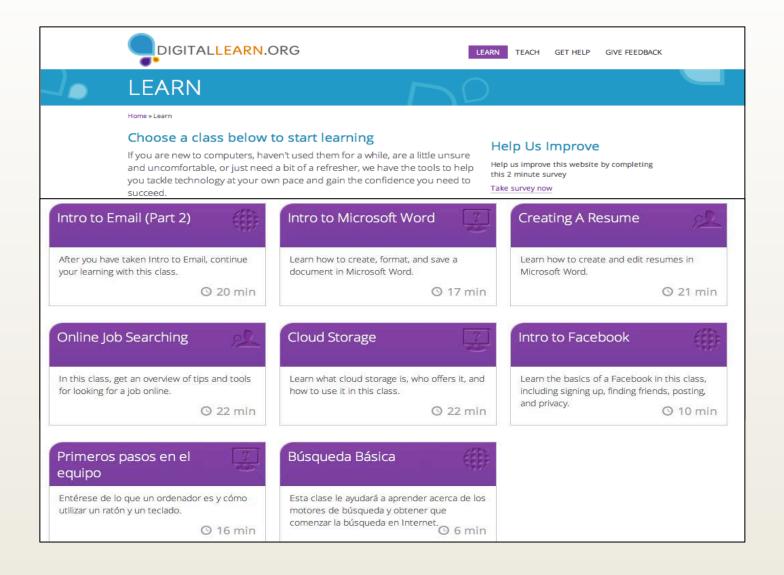


IMLS is working to help prepare librarians to lead digital inclusion efforts.

Northstar Digital Literacy Project



DigitalLearn.org



AFFORDABILITY



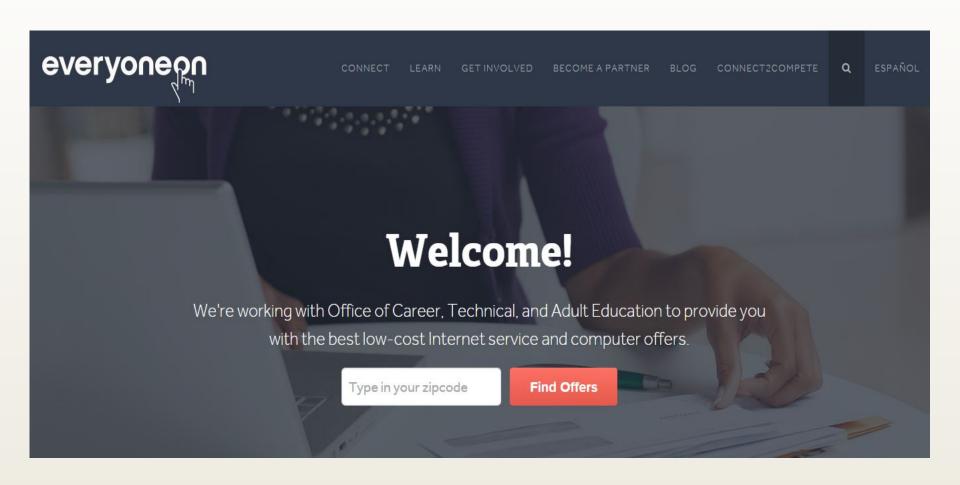
Everyone On

Let's get more devices in students' hands and households.

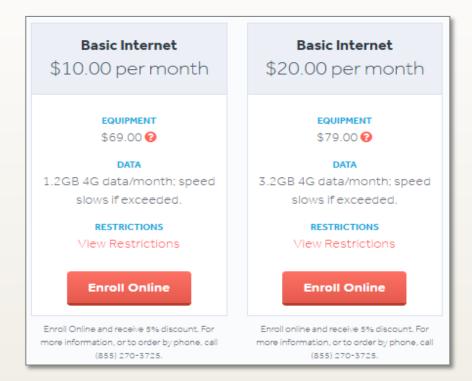
EveryoneOn.org/adulted

- Prequalifies for the best deal in the local area:
 - Students
 - Teachers
 - Programs
- Wireless internet service for as low as \$10 a month
- Refurbished tablets, laptops, desktops
- Downloadable materials:
 http://everyoneon.org/campaign-materials/

Everyoneon.org/AdultEd



Internet Offers



I Want to... 1GB 12GB Stream Video 165 videos 1980 videos Stream Music 570 songs 6840 songs Download apps, 255 downloads 3060 downloads games, and songs Post photos and video 2850 posts 34200 posts 600 webpages Go online 7200 webpages Send and Receive 2500+ emails 30000+ emails Email Make phone calls via

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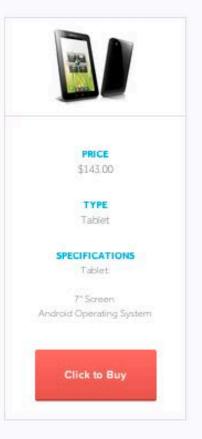
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Computer Offers

Computer Offers







Training Locations

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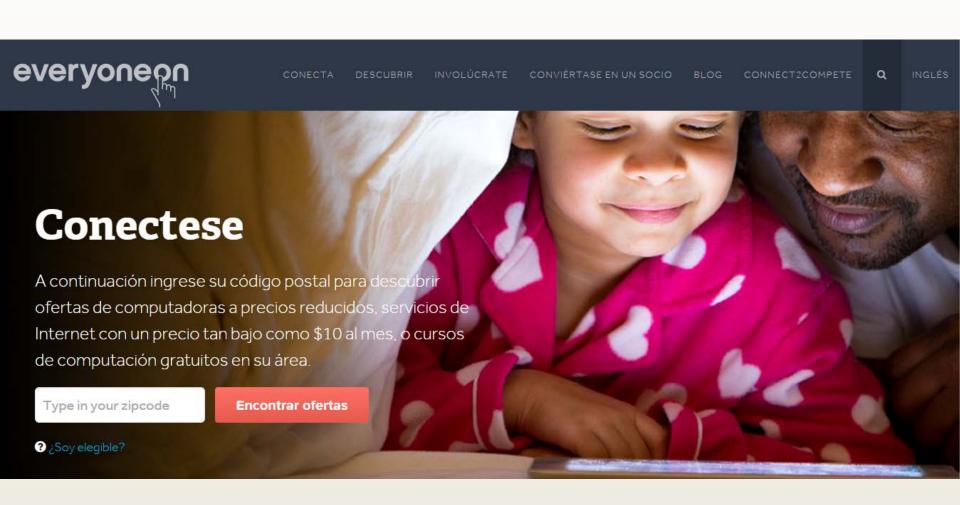
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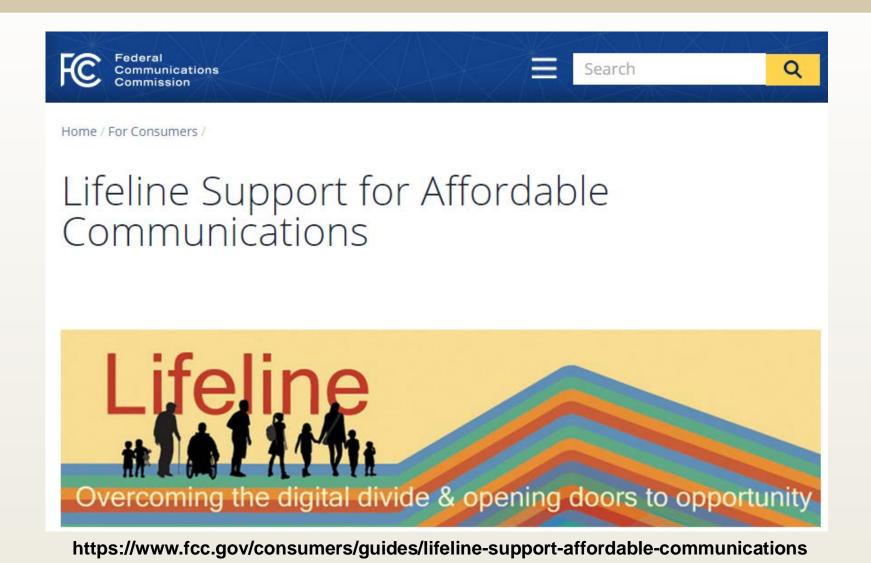
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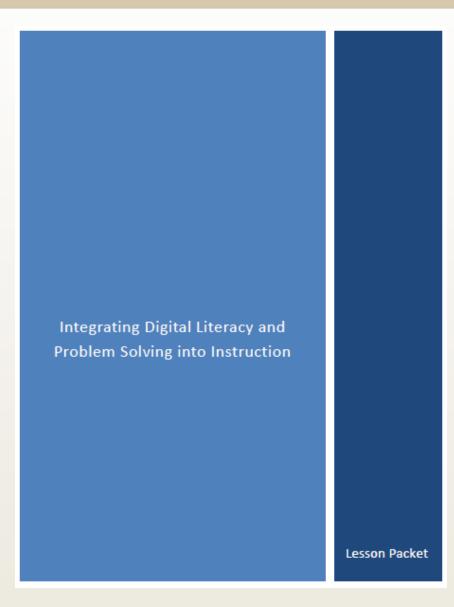
FCC's Lifeline Phones to Broadband



Forthcoming - FCC Consumer Labels for Broadband



LINCS Lesson Packet



EASE OF USE



Bring Your Own Device

Not everyone is a network administrator!

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

- Pros:
 - People are familiar with own device
 - Can continue to work after class
 - No need to provide equipment
 - Any space can be a digital learning environment
- Cons:
 - May need specialized tech help
 - Incompatibility of soft or hardware
 - Wireless connectivity
 - Security concerns for network

Photo: Jeremy Keith



Bookshare

Membership is for adults with print disabilities such as visual, physical, or severe learning disabilities.

Bookshare membership offers:

- Access to digital text that is delivered in custom formats such as audio, customizable text, digital Braille
- Reading software that facilitates study with annotations, dictionary, spellcheck, pronunciation guide
- Access to a library of over 300K materials
 https://www.bookshare.org

RELEVANCE



Learner Center

Online gateway to resources from many different federal agencies and funded organizations.

LINCS Learner Center:

Resources accessed through the mobile friendly site can help adult learners improve:

- reading, writing, math, science, and English skills;
- build job skills;
- acquire an understanding of American government and history to obtain citizenship;
- find a nearby adult education, computer training, or postsecondary education or training program.

https://learner.lincs.ed.gov/

LINCS Digital Literacy Initiatives

Investigate Digital Literacy Initiatives

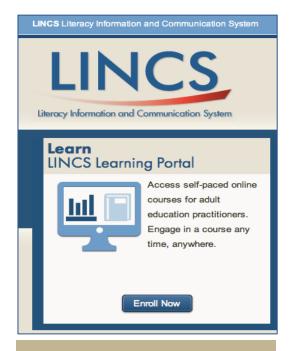
What is your focus?

- For Learners
- For Teachers
- For Programs

Go to LINCS Digital Literacy Initiatives at https://lincs.ed.gov/programs/digital-literacy

Or tinyurl.com/LINCSDL

CONFIDENCE



Confidence

Grow yours!

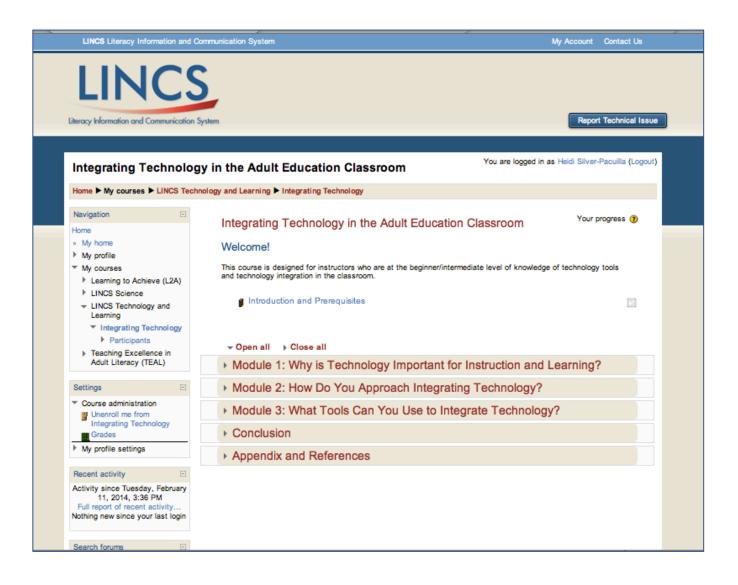
Try a LINCS online course.

Join a community group.

LINCS Learning Portal

- 17 self-paced, no cost courses
 - Career Pathways
 - Adult ESL
 - Integrating Technology
 - Learning to Achieve
- Facilitated courses offered in cooperation with states and programs
- Certificates of completion
- Links to Community groups
- Currently hosts over 2K users

Integrating Technology Online Course



Tech Tips for Teachers

By World Education, LINCS Regional Professional Development Center

TECH TIPS FOR TEACHERS

LESSON INDEX

ABOUT US



JOBSCOUT: TAKE LESSONS, EARN BADGES, FIND WORK.

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0 Comments

Today's post by Christina Gagnier highlights a free online resource, developed by TRAIL in partnership with California State Library. Adult learners can use Job Scout to improve their digital literacy and look for work at the same time. This resource could be used in a classroom or library setting or as a resource for students to work through at home on their own.

Sixty million Americans do not know how to use the Internet. The ability to open a browser, conduct a search, send an email or connect with an old friend on a social network are all too often taken for granted. Engaging in some of these online activities may not seem critical, but they are fundamental to one's participation in the information economy. Online skills are not only necessary for seeking, applying for and getting today's jobs, but also to take advantage of the growing educational, civic and healthcare advances spurred by broadband.

TRAIL is an online education company dedicated to bringing people their first experience with the Internet. We partner with libraries, schools, social services offices, workforce development centers, and other trusted public institutions to offer our courses and features online. We built JobScout as a way for first-



This blog is intended for adult education teachers and tutors looking for straight-forward help on integrating technology into instruction. We hope that you find some inspiration here to try something new!

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Integrating Digital Literacy into English Language Instruction



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This resource suite focuses on foundational digital literacy skills, the importance of digital literacy, and ways to integrate digital literacy into instruction with information and communication technologies.



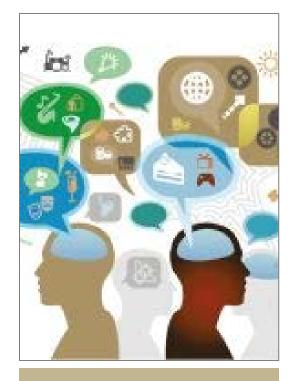
Issue Brief - Integrating Digital Literacy into English Language Instruction

This brief describes research-based approaches to integrating technology and increasing digital literacy in a variety of English language learning environments to extend learning opportunities and develop digital literacy. Made for teachers, curriculum developers, program directors and others.

Professional Development Module

This interactive self-access online resource is designed to give FSI instructors, curriculum developers, program

RESEARCH AND RESOURCES

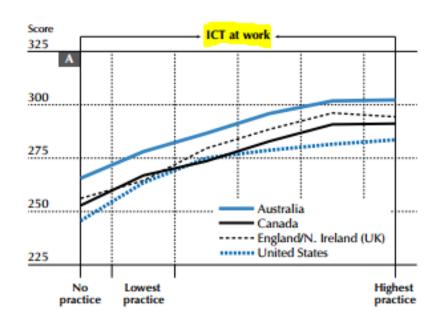


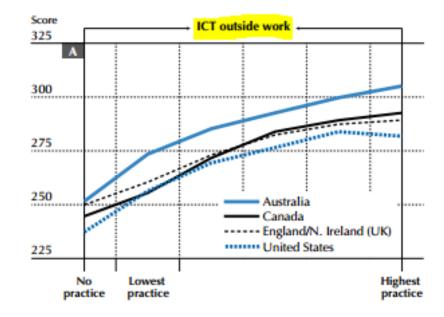
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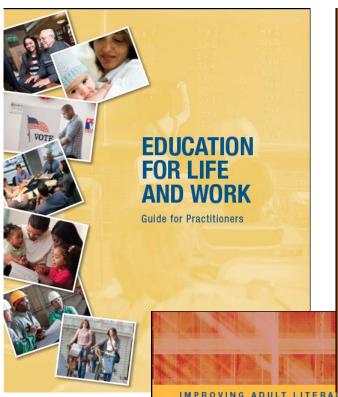
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- ✓ Trial and error
- ✓ Practice

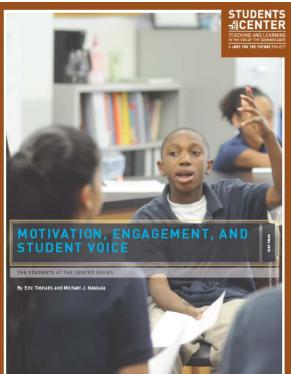
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Importance of access and use to skills

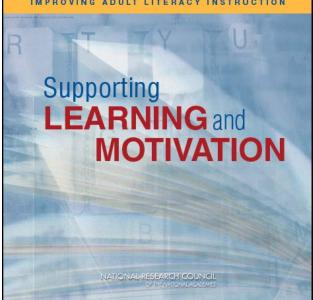


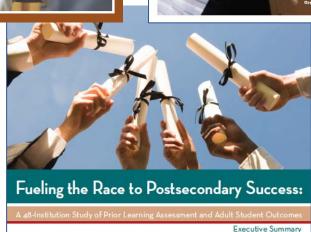












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Resources

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- <u>Education for Life and Work</u>, National Academies Press (2012)
- <u>Fueling the Race to Postsecondary Success</u>, Council of Adult and Experiential Learning (2010)
- Improving Adult Literacy Instruction: Supporting Learning and Motivation,
 National Academies Press (2012)
- Motivation, Engagement, and Student Voice, Jobs for the Future (2012)
- Opportunity for All, IMLS (2010)
- <u>Using Technology to Support At-Risk Students' Learning</u>, SCOPE and Alliance for Excellent Education (2014)
- Who's Online Where (WOW) Index, OCTAE (2014)

National Educational Technology Plan



Future Ready Learning

Reimagining the Role of Technology in Education



What is one thing you plan to do at your program?

- 1. Take a minute to answer the questions to the right.
- 2. Share your plan with the person beside you.

- Which resource:
- Who:
- When:
- How:
- Notes:

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Final thoughts and questions?



Evaluation

 Please complete the LINCS evaluation survey.

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Thank you!

And thanks for your participation!