

COMMUNITY LITERACY OF ONTARIO MEMBERS' E-COMMUNIQUE SEPTEMBER 2017

Dear CLO Members,

Community Literacy of Ontario is pleased to present our
September 2017 E-Communiqué.

Topics covered in this e-communiqué are:

- CLO's Training Day and AGM 2017
- Prosper Canada and Poverty Reduction
- E-Channel and Blended Learning Webinars
- Resources from Literacy Support Organizations & EO Partners
- Ontario's New Labour Market Information Website
- Employment Ontario News and Information



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CLO'S TRAINING DAY AND AGM 2017

It's time to register for Community Literacy of Ontario's training day and AGM! Join us on **October 18, 2017** at the Monte Carlo Inn, **Barrie** for great workshops and time to network, learn and share. For more information and to register for this informative day, please click [here](#).



PROSPER CANADA AND POVERTY REDUCTION

[Prosper Canada](#) is national charity dedicated to poverty reduction for low income Canadians. Working in partnership with others, they focus on five strategies that are proven to measurably improve financial outcomes and help reduce poverty:

1. Financial information, education, and counselling
2. Help accessing income-boosting benefits and tax credits
3. Safe and affordable products and services
4. Access to savings and asset-building opportunities
5. Consumer education and protection



Learn more about Prosper Canada's important financial empowerment strategies by clicking [here](#).



E-CHANNEL AND BLENDED LEARNING WEBINARS

The **Online Community of Practice** (hosted by the Learning Networks of Ontario in partnership with Contact North and e-Channel providers) is pleased to present a free webinar series for Ontario literacy practitioners on e-Channel and blended learning. Click [here](#) for a printable flyer with more information on all of the webinars.

WEBINAR #1 – Myth-Busting

✓ **September 28, 2017 @ 2:30—3:30 pm / Register @ <http://tinyurl.com/yaf3fon5>**

Join us as we bust some myths about e-Channel and discuss how blended learning can help your site reach its targets and enhance learner outcomes.

WEBINAR #2 – No Body Snatching Allowed!

✓ **October 26, 2017 @ 2:30—3:30 pm / Register @ <http://tinyurl.com/y6wqadmz>**

Concerned that referring learners to e-Channel programming means losing credit for the work you do with them? Puzzled about how Milestones can be shared between your organization and e-Channel and reported in CaMS? Find out how e-Channel supports your work and leaves the snatching to... zombies!

WEBINAR #3 – Best Practices For Makin' it all Work

✓ **November 30, 2017 @ 2:30—3:30 pm / Register @ <http://tinyurl.com/y6vq4ffu>**

Would you like to know how working with e-Channel can help you and your organization? Find out what success can look like for organizations taking advantage of e-Channel blended learning, and come away with some tips and strategies that you can use.

WEBINAR #4 – How to make it a WIN

✓ **January 25, 2018 @ 2:30—3:30 pm / Register @ <http://tinyurl.com/y9alj3yx>**

Have you ever hesitated before registering your learners to e-Channel Blended Learning? Do you sometimes feel that your technology skills are not up to par to support your learners properly? Do you fear that blended learning might take away from your other activities or impact your targets? If you've answered yes to any of these questions, this webinar is for you! Discover what supports are available to make working with e-Channel blended learning a WIN for you and your learners.

WEBINAR #5 – Tips and Tools from the Front Line

✓ **February 22, 2018 @ 2:30—3:30 pm**

More details to come...





CESBA's LBS Practitioner Training Website

[CESBA](http://lbs.cesba.com/) has launched its newly updated Literacy & Basic Skills Practitioner Training website at <http://lbs.cesba.com/>. The updated training modules, intended for new LBS practitioners, are easy follow and understand. The fun and interactive modules are aligned with the OALCF, milestones and culminating tasks. As well, people who complete all course modules will receive a certificate.

Literacy Link Niagara's Reverse Mentoring Project

Adult Literacy programs across Ontario are seeing an increase in unemployed and under-employed clients looking to upgrade their digital literacy skills in order to enhance their job skills and employment prospects. Literacy programs often lack the resources (time, staff, and money) to meet the needs of these clients. Youth may have these digital literacy skills, but may lack experience in volunteer or employment positions.



In order to meet these needs, Literacy Link Niagara (LLN) developed the "Reverse Mentoring Project". With proper materials and coaching, LNN paired young people in Niagara with those looking to increase their digital literacy skills, making both parties more equipped for employment and more attractive to employers. Learn all about this exciting initiative and access their Digital Literacy Curriculum for this project by clicking [here](#).

Literacy Network Northeast's "Young at Heart" Webinar

Would you like to learn more about strategies and resources to engage youth in LBS agencies? Then be sure to watch the recorded webinar created by the Northern Literacy Networks called "[Young at Heart: Working Together to Increase the skills of Ontario's Youth](#)".



ONTARIO'S NEW LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION WEBSITE

Check out Ontario's new [Labour Market Information website](#). This user-friendly website is designed to help students, jobseekers and others learn about job profiles, employment outlooks, education and training requirements, and more.

EMPLOYMENT ONTARIO NEWS AND INFORMATION

MAESD's Employment Ontario Partners Gateway (EOPG) website provides important information for LBS agencies. Be sure to visit this site regularly at: www.tcu.gov.on.ca/eng/eopg/newpostings



Recent news on the EOPG includes:

- [CaMS/2017-11 Bulletin: Release 17.3](#) (September 15, 2017)
- [ADM Memo to EO Service Providers: Common Assessment Tool for Employment-Related Needs](#) (September 8, 2017)
- Employment Ontario Information System - Case Management System
 - [LBS All Data – Information and Referral](#) (September 2017)
 - [LBS Case Activity](#) (September 2017)
 - [LBS Detailed Service Quality](#) (September 2017)
- [Memo: Literacy and Basic Skills Symposium](#) (August 30, 2017)
- [Memo: 2018-2019 LBS Literacy Service Planning and Coordination](#) (August 25, 2017)
- [2018-2017 Regional Network LSP Template](#) (August 25, 2017)
- [2018-2019 Service Delivery Charts](#) (August 25, 2017)

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