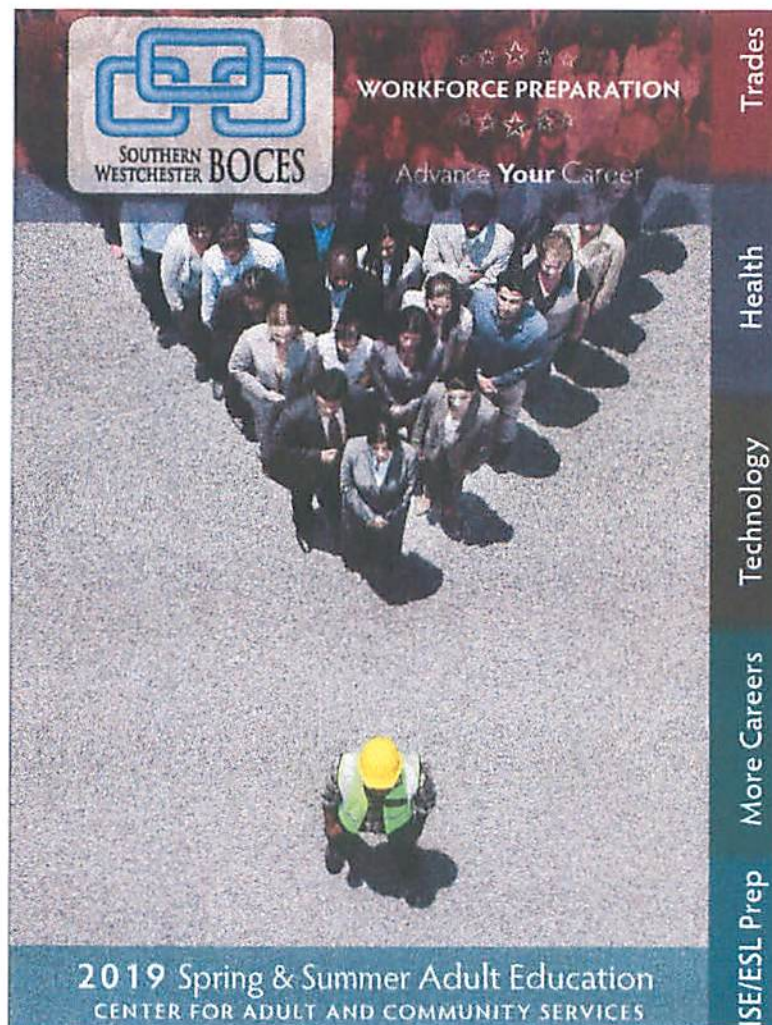


# SOUTHERN WESTCHESTER BOCES SUPERINTENDENT'S HIGHLIGHTS JANUARY 2019



## Center for Adult and Community Services

2019 Spring/Summer Workforce Preparation brochure hits the streets!



205,000 copies of the Spring / Summer Center for Adult & Community Services catalog will hit the streets of our region by January 18, 2019. We have made major changes in our catalog to reflect our mission of providing Workforce Training. The

Center has consolidated "home" and "business" catalogs into a single "Workforce Preparation" booklet. We have also "tabbed" the entire catalog making it easier for potential Career and ALC students to use. A special "Workforce" logo accompanies every class that provides students with an industry recognized credential upon successful completion of the class.

The catalog has a new look, it is easier to use and we have condensed content to reduce weight and postage costs. Look for your personal copy very soon!

Thanks to Nick Perna, CE Coordinator, Pam Truocolo and Brian Howard for the excellent job they have done with the 2019 Spring / Summer catalog!

### ALC-Maria Guerrero, Supervisor

Contextualized Learning: On December 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, Sherri Lattimer from the Hudson Valley Regional Adult Education Network (RAEN) in Newburgh, NY and our own Elisa Montano facilitated 6-hours of mandated Professional Development for 39 Adult Literacy Center teachers on Contextualized Instruction.

Some of the Center's funding streams now require the use of the CUNY Toolkits to deliver meaningful, career-oriented instruction and we have adopted the Toolkits across ALC. Ten occupational toolkits have been developed by CUNY. ALC has standardized on the Healthcare Toolkit to facilitate literacy and math instruction and provide a career pathway for our students.

Contextualized learning, especially in the field of Mathematics is part of the Center's goal of developing shared language and practices in Mathematics within our ALC, Practical Nursing and Continuing Education programs.

New Citizens: In December, Edgar Garza, Chen Shuhui and Alexandro Rodriguez earned their American Citizenship with the assistance of their instructor Beatriz la Serna. Maria Bravo earned her citizenship at the West Harrison Library with support from her instructor Gladys Solorzano.

### IYC / ALC at the Westchester Department of Corrections- Dr. Michele Darby, Interim Principal

Last month our staff worked with 77 students in the Incarcerated Youth Program and 140 Adult Literacy students at the Westchester County Jail.

## Continuing Education-Nick Perna-Coordinator

Continuing Education is expanding programs by providing Serv-Safe classes for potential restaurant workers in both English and Spanish. We currently offer both the OSHA 10 and OSHA 30 courses to construction workers in both languages.

Enrollment and tours continue to increase in the Workforce programs on the Valhalla Campus. CE's transition to Workforce Preparation provides students with tangible outcomes that put them on the career superhighway! We are rapidly becoming the place to go for Workforce Training in Westchester County!

## Center for Interscholastic Athletics

The winter season is in full swing and our office has been busy assigning games and preparing for our upcoming sectional championships. Our new Executive Director of Interscholastic Athletics, Todd Santabarbara, has been working closely with Jen Simmons, as part of a transition phase allowing for Todd to learn the responsibilities of Executive Director of Section One Athletics. Todd has taken time to meet with the entire Athletics staff to learn about how the office runs, and what each team member is responsible for doing in our office. It has been terrific having Todd onboard, and we look forward to working with him as our new leader.

The winter season and New Year brings about a lot of excitement. Section One Athletics offers a full complement of sports during the twenty-two week winter season. More specifically, we offer boys and girls basketball, ice hockey, wrestling, skiing, fencing, cheerleading, boys swimming, indoor track, bowling and gymnastics. This year it will be interesting to see what programs make a run for sectional championships and, which respective Section One teams make it to the New York State Public High School Athletic championships. Lastly, winter is an exciting season and similar to last year there will be many action filled events that make Section One Athletics very special.