The DACE 2019-2022 Strategic Plan has been finalized and is now available on our website at WeAreDACE.org under About/Strategic Plan from the main navigation bar. The Plan, which illustrates our alignment with key Adult Education priorities from the National to local level, focuses on DACE's three main objectives for the next three years:

1. Create, share, implement, evaluate and improve adult student access, bridges, and pathways among all DACE schools for the purpose of ensuring equity and accelerating achievement.

2. Inspire a culture shift to continuous improvement and collaboration among staff, faculty and administration to foster student success.

3. Provide comprehensive support to adult learners including opportunities, motivation, inspiration, and recognition so they can move from where they are to where they want to be.

These objectives, a holistic evolution of the objectives in our previous strategic plan, place our students’ success front and center.

The DACE 2019-2020 Professional Development Plan (PD Plan) is a collaboratively designed roadmap for organizational growth. Combining a deep commitment to building instructional capacity in all programs with an unwavering focus on supporting Division, District, and Regional Consortium goals, the PD Plan provides an integrated vision for professional learning.

The 2019-2020 PD Plan is organized into the six areas, each of which aligns with either a DACE Strategic Plan objective or an LA Unified School District (LAUSD) Division of Instruction (DOI) partnership:

1. Objective 1: Create, share, implement, evaluate, and improve adult student access, bridges, and pathways among all DACE schools for the purpose of ensuring equity and accelerating achievement

2. Objective 2: Inspire a culture shift to continuous improvement and collaboration among staff, faculty, and administration to foster student success

3. Objective 3: Provide comprehensive support to adult learners, including opportunities, motivation, inspiration, and recognition so they can move from where they are to where they want to be

4. Partnership 1: Family Success Initiative


6. Partnership 3: Accelerated College and Career Transition Program (AC2T)

The PD Plan, in its entirety, is available on our website at WeAreDACE.org under Faculty & Staff/Instructional Resources/Professional Development Plan from the main navigation bar.
Congratulations to Karla Galleguillos, EL Civics Advisor, and the many faculty and staff who provided content and support for our EL Civics Census 2020 curriculum! It is being used by adult schools throughout California to help low literacy adults who are enrolled in ESL programs learn why, how, and where to participate.

Participation in Census, which occurs every ten years, is required by the U.S. Constitution. It is imperative that everyone participate in the Census as this information is used to determine apportionment for seats in the U.S. House of Representatives, distribute more than $675 billion in federal funds, and determine allocations for neighborhood schools, improvements and public services.

DACE schools will be hosting Census Action Kiosks to assist DACE students, staff, and community members in completing the Census online. In the meantime, the Division is in the midst of gearing up our Census 2020 informational campaign designed to get our students and communities excited about participating while empowering them to know they count! We will be hosting a Census Campaign overview for DACE Principals’ Census designees on Thursday, December 5, from 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM at Evans Community Adult School.

More information on Census 2020, including educator and community-based organization resources, is available on our website at WeAreDACE.org under About/Census 2020 from the main navigation bar or by visiting census.wearedace.org directly.

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To support our schools’ ongoing efforts in the DACE-SIS enrollment process, the Division would like to purchase a half-dozen of these kiosk stands for each of our schools, to be used at the location or locations of their choice. Interested Division Principals should email Pierre Giammattei (pierre.giammattei@lausd.net) confirming they have the necessary quantity of iPads to devote to enrollment along with their serial numbers so we may order kiosks appropriate for the iPads you have.

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Play Ball

The Division is pleased to announce the relaunch of our WeAreDACE.org website, with a fresh new look and refined navigation system designed to allow our stakeholders to find the information they want quickly and easily. Students, prospective students, community partners, faculty, staff and administrators alike will find navigating our new site a breeze.

As the new WeAreDACE.org website is built on the Edlio Content Management System (CMS), we are now able to change not only our content, but our entire navigational structure on the fly, allowing us to continue to adjust the system to best serve our stakeholders now and far into the future.