

Eastern Regional Partnership for Adult Education (ERPAE)

Innovative Pilot Projects: Improving Adult Learner Pathways

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Who are the ERPAE members?















OTTAWA-CARLETON DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD





The ERPAE AES project: What we did!

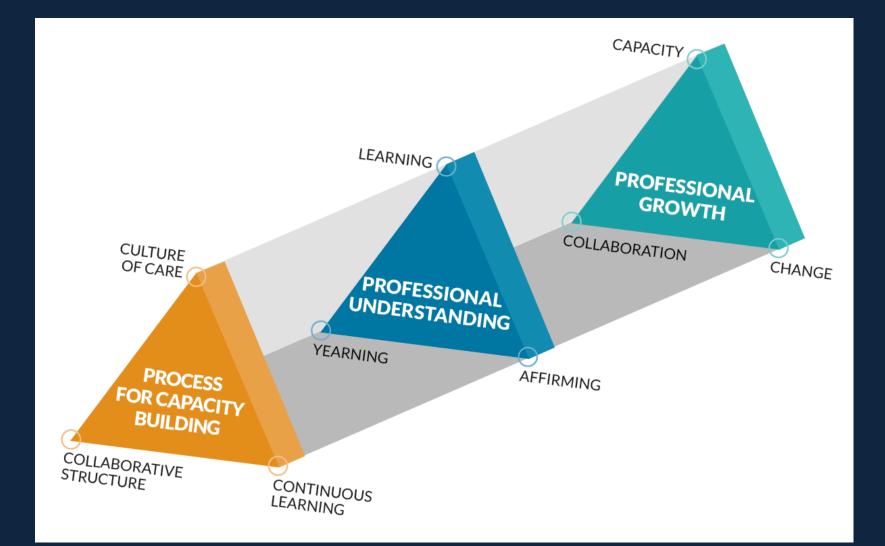
| Phase 1 (2016- 17) | Awareness | Creation of regional partnership Environmental scan Develop multi-year strategic plan |
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| Phase 2 (2017- 18) | Capacity Building | Learning from inside region Learning from outside of region Sharing and developing innovative best practices |
| Phase 3 (2018- 19) | Execution | Implementation of best practices Monitoring and evaluating implementation |

We learned from *Capacity Building* phase (year two)

- Process of capacity building
- Professional understanding
- Professional growth
- Six overarching themes



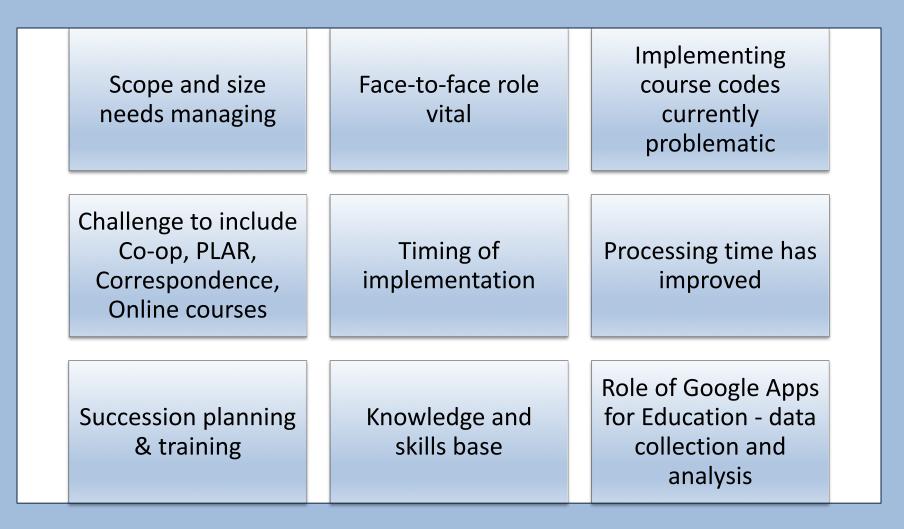
Collaborative Coalition Model for Professional Development (Godden & Youmans, 2018)



ERPAE innovative pilot projects by mandate

| BOARD | INTAKE, ASSESSMENT, AND REFERRAL | GUIDANCE AND PATHWAY PLANNING | PLAR | FLEXIBLE DELIVERY | POSITIONING OF ADULT EDUCATION |
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| ALCDSB | | | | | |
| CDSBEO | | | | | > |
| HPEDSB | > | | | | |
| LDSB | | | | > | |
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Online intake, assessment, referral in AE: Successes & challenges



Piloting documents to support guidance & pathway planning in AE: Execution successes & challenges

| Consultation to research & create document | Digital copy for DSB, hard copy for student | Continuous evaluation and refinement through project |
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| Students felt their needs and plans were clarified and understood | Plan allowed for "next steps" to be clarified | Concise overview of learner journey and role of stakeholders |
| Helps students to navigate complexity of programing | Students take ownership of learning | Sense of accomplishment |

Reviewing PLAR in AE: Execution successes & challenges

| 3 out of 4 PLAR assessments now online | PLAR eligibility identified at registration | Now utilizing Senior PLAR to identify and recognize life experiences |
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| Efficiency through tracking sheets | Promotional strategy | Student satisfaction with PLAR up from 83% to 92% |
| Greater communication about PLAR across staff | Recognizing diverse learners accomplishments | Create a planning team to regularly review and evaluate |

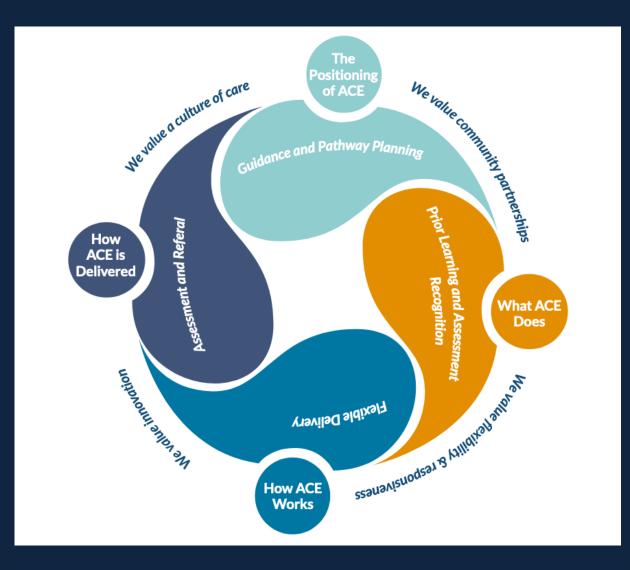
Piloting flexible delivery of AE: Execution successes & challenges

| Alternatives for recruitment and delivery | Essential to build relationships within DSB and community partners | Requires sufficient understanding of variety and usage of funding registers |
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| "The right classroom space leads to success" | Targeted and purposeful outreach alongside appropriate marketing | Transportation remains most significant barrier |
| Adequate research of alternative locations | Mentoring to support new staff | Culture of care |

(Re-)positioning AE: Execution successes & challenges

| Revenue generating | Utilizing DSB staff | Word-of- mouth |
|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Social media & website | Expanding knowledge of provision | Sustainability |
| Marketing expertise | Wider public awareness | Longitudinal data collection |

A Visual Representation of ACE in the ERPAE



Sharing Our Work and Resources

THE ASTERN REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP FOR ADULT EDUCATION (ASTERN RPAS)

An Environmental Scan of Adult and Continuing Education in the Eastern

Phase One Part B:

Ontario Region

E 2017 | FINAL REPORT





Environmental Scan, Strategic Plan, Monographs, Discussion Paper Response, Capacity Building Report, and Cross-Sector Report can be downloaded from:

www.eosdn.on.ca/initiatives/ad ult-education-strategy

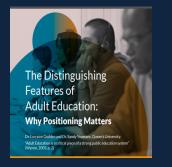














On behalf of the ERPAE, thank you for listening!



We welcome your questions!