

2017–18

Mankato Area Adult Basic Education Report to the School Board

October 2, 2017

Mankato Area Adult Basic Education

- Serves a consortium of 6 school districts in South Central MN
 - Lake Crystal–Wellcome Memorial
 - Mankato Area Public Schools
 - Maple River Schools
 - New Ulm Public Schools
 - Sleepy Eye Public Schools
 - St. Clair Public Schools
- In 2016–2017
 - 919 students – average 250 students daily
 - generating 98,040 contact hours
 - 41 employees
 - Provided programming at 7 sites in Southcentral MN

Improvement Efforts

Strategic Direction A

Student Advisory Council

- Develop student voice, leadership
- Gather feedback from student body
- Engage with school and local community

Lincoln Logs Learning Center

- Family Learning – Childcare – Pre-School
- Served 51 children (44 parents)
- Earned 4 Star Parent Aware Rating

Improvement Efforts

Strategic Direction B

Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) outline ABE partnerships with:

Blue Earth County Employment Services/MRCI

Minnesota Council of Churches

South Central College

South Central Workforce Council–Adult Career Pathways (FastTRACK) Partnership

Mankato Workforce System (One Stop Agreement)

Brown County Jail and Blue Earth County Jail

House of Hope – Mankato

New Ulm Public Library

North Mankato Taylor Library

Mankato Area ABE Consortium School Districts: St. Clair, Maple River, Lake Crystal–Wellcome Memorial, New Ulm, Sleepy Eye

Improvement Efforts

Strategic Direction C

Credentialing for Adult Learners at the ABE Sites:

- High School Equivalency
- ParaPro certification (6)
- ServSafe Food Handler (28) and ServSafe Food Manager (3)
- Northstar Digital Literacy Certificates (214)
- CPR and First Aid Certification (48)
- US Citizenship (6)

In partnership with South Central College and local Workforce System (co-locating staff at SCC):

- Certified Nursing Assistant (8), Medical Terminology (13)
- Welding (5), Computer Integrated Machining (2), Mechatronics (1)
- Commercial Drivers (CDL) Permit (3)

Improvement Efforts

Direction D

Mankato Area ABE FY17 budget = \$1.2 million annually

State funding

WIOA Federal Funding (now competitive)

Grants secured in 16–17 (implement in FY18)

- Integrated English Language and Civics Education (2 years)
- United Way (annually supports Lincoln Logs Childcare)
- Pathways to Prosperity (FastTRACK Adult Career Pathways)
- Carl Perkins (annually supports College Prep programming)
- Regional Transitions Funds (shared with regional ABE)
- ABE Navigation and Advising Grant (2.5 years)

Improvement Efforts

Direction E

Professional Development Opportunities via:

Minnesota Department of Education Supplemental Service Providers – ABE Regionals, Summer Institute, Initiatives such as MN Standard Adult Diploma state-wide work groups

Mankato Area Public Schools – PLCs, Learning Academies

Workforce System Partners – share PD opportunities with all agencies and cross-train our employees on systems

Navigation and Advising Legislative Grant

Professional Learning Community Collaborative Teams

English Language Learning PLC

Adult Diploma & Employment PLC

Professional development goals are defined by national, state and local learning initiatives and Mankato ABE instructors are considered leaders in the field

PLC work included aligning courses to relevant standards:

Academic, Career and Employment Skills (ACES)

College and Career Readiness Skills (CCRS) – Reading, Writing & Math

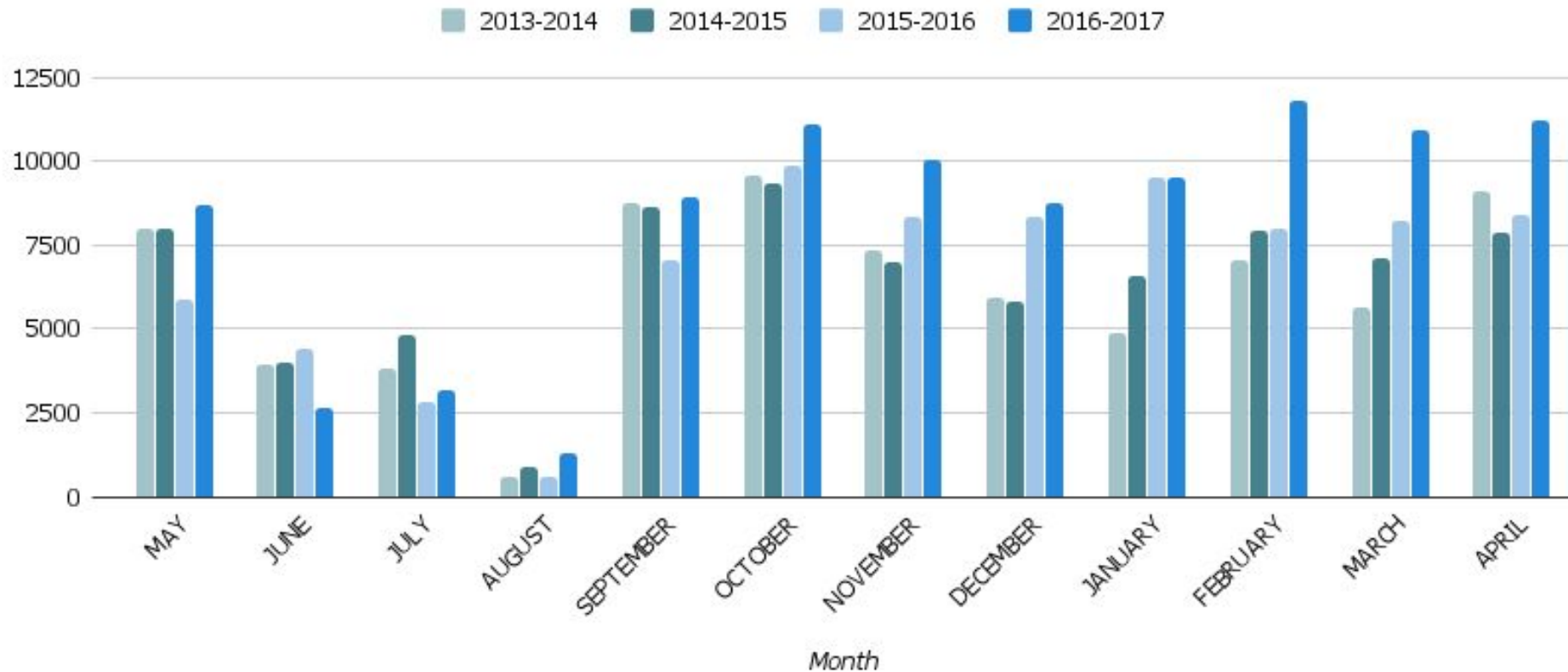
NorthSTAR Digital Literacy

K–12 Social Studies

K–12 Science

ATTENDANCE DATA

4 Year Contact Hour Comparison



Student Retention Data

<i>STATE PROGRAM YEAR</i>	Participants/Hours	Avg. hr/participant
2015–2016	539 participants 78,533 hours	146 hours
2016–2017	604 participants 96,262.75 hours	159 hours (↑9%)

Student Level Gains Federal Program Year

NRS Educational Functioning Level	Target	Actual	
		+12	+40
ABE Level 1	78	0%	0%
ABE Level 2	67	43%	67%
ABE Level 3	50	48%	71%
ABE Level 4	34	36%	56%
ABE Level 5	26	50%	77%
ABE Level 6	N/A	N/A	N/A
ESL Level 1	48	59%	64%
ESL Level 2	58	59%	74%
ESL Level 3	51	66%	80%
ESL Level 4	39	42%	54%
ESL Level 5	35	54%	60%
ESL Level 6	16	48%	59%

ABE State Report Card for 15–16

OBTAIN SECONDARY CREDENTIAL

- + 65% (participants who exited and took a whole GED battery)
 - State average: 79%
 - Rank: 34 / 44

ENTER POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION/TRAINING

- + 39%
 - State average: 27%
- + Rank: 11 / 44

ABE State Report Card for 15–16

OBTAIN EMPLOYMENT

- ✦ 65% (participants who were unemployed at intake and exited and obtained employment)
 - State average: 45%
- ✦ Rank: 1 / 44

RETAIN EMPLOYMENT

- ✦ 78% (participants who were employed at intake who exited and kept employment)
- ✦ State average: 69%
- ✦ Rank: 2 / 44

Questions?