

City of Flagstaff – Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Adult Education and Literacy Week
(September 18-22, 2023)

WHEREAS, more than 51.4 million Americans can't read or write at the most basic level while 75.1 million lack basic math skills, as well as the credentials and skills necessary to succeed in post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, 92% of jobs in the U.S. require digital skills and one-third of workers don't have the foundational digital skills necessary to enter and thrive in today's jobs; and

WHEREAS, every year, one in three young adults drops out of high school; and

WHEREAS, American Action Forum estimates that by 2020, America will be short an estimated 7.5 million private sector workers across all skill levels; and

WHEREAS, Adult Education programs contribute to solving these challenges by helping Americans move along the continuum in their educational journey to achieve basic skills and get prepared for career and college; and

WHEREAS, Adult Education programs in community colleges and community centers offer low cost, high value programs that upgrade the skill set of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, The City of Flagstaff celebrates National Adult Education and Literacy Week as a proud participant in the national Coalition on Adult Basic Education (COABE) Educate & Elevate Campaign which helps our citizens learn about all of their Adult Education options to attain their professional and personal goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BECKY DAGGETT, Mayor of the City of Flagstaff, proclaim (September 18-22, 2023) as

Adult Education and Literacy Week

in Flagstaff, Coconino County, Arizona.

DATED this 19th day of September, 2023.

Becky Daggett

MAYOR

ATTEST:

Stacy Salzburg

CITY CLERK

