



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

H. Martin Lancaster, President

Response required by May 14, 2004

MEMORANDUM

TO: Basic Skills Directors
Community Based Organization Directors
Comprehensive Family Literacy Program Directors

FROM: Katie J. Waters, ABE/ESL Coordinator

DATE: April 16, 2004

SUBJECT: ALMA TV 411 Materials Distribution/Training

Last week, we shipped you two literacy kits from ALMA (Adult Literacy Media Alliance). One kit is a **TV 411 Family Learning Kit** and the other one is a **TV 411 Financial Literacy Kit**. These instructional materials are for your ABE, pre-GED and family literacy programs.

The Family Learning Kit contains six theme-based units that provide hours of constructive interaction between parents and children. The themes include family health, nutrition, computers, family math, writing, and civics.

The Financial Literacy Kit uses six theme-based units and introduces pre-GED adults to some of the basics of personal finance. Learners assess their spending and saving practices – what’s working? what’s not? - and practice the math and reading skills needed to make informed financial decisions. The themes include understanding your paycheck, reading fine print, rent-to-own, using a credit card, making a budget, and owning a home.

Both kits contain manipulatives and theme-related activities. These materials have closely integrated content rich print materials that promote critical thinking and problem solving skills; help adult learners improve their ability to read, write and speak which leads to economic self sufficiency and provide experiences that empower adults in their roles as a parent, worker, and member of the community. Instruction may occur in the **classroom** or **at a distance**.

It is **very important** to note that we will provide **two one-day trainings for the appropriate** use of the **TV 411** materials. There is no registration fee, but please register your instructors and coordinators for the training by completing the attached registration forms and returning them to Judy Howell **no later than May 14, 2004**.

Attachment

cc: Presidents
Senior Continuing Education Administrators

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