

Chris Nelson

Chris Nelson is the new Administrator of the Adult Education Office at the California Department of Education. He recently accepted the position to oversee the work of the Adult Education Office including administering the WIOA Title II grant, and coordinating with the Chancellor's Office to implement the Adult Education Block Grant. For the past 37 years, Chris Nelson has been a teacher, coordinator and administrator in Adult Education in a variety of school and non-profit settings in the San Francisco Bay Area. He served as Director of Adult Education for Oakland Unified School District serving thousands of adult learners throughout Oakland. Earlier in his career, Chris started the Skills Center for Adult Education Training and Employment for Episcopal Community Services of San Francisco. The program has been serving homeless and low income adults for over 25 years. Chris strongly believes that Adult Education is the untapped key resource that will fill the future employment needs of California.