



Regina Suitt is the Vice President for Adult Basic Education for College & Career at Pima Community College. She leads multiple county wide programs including all Arizona Department of Education funded Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary, and English Language Acquisition for Adults. Additional programs include Distance Learning, Transition services, Bridge and IBEST programs, Refugee Education, Correctional Education, Volunteers, as well as the managing the largest HSE/GED® testing center in the state. Over 120 staff, Instructors, and volunteers support over 6,000 students and testers a year in the Adult Basic Education Division. The Adult Basic Education Program has received many recognitions and awards over the 45 + year history.

Regina has dedicated her career to adult basic education. Like many in the field, she started as a part-time teacher, moving into more responsible roles over 25+ years. She started her career working and living on the Tohono O'odham reservation teaching English to High School students. It was then that she began teaching GED classes part time in a village meeting house. She then moved on to teach full time in the Pima County Jail for 8 years while also teaching as PCC adjunct faculty at the State Prison for 5 years.

Regina has a Master's of Education in Leadership from Northern Arizona University with an emphasis in Community College Leadership. The Adult Education Program and staff have received many awards over the 45 + year history. Regina was honored, in 2011 by the Coalition on Adult Basic Education (COABE) as Administrator of the Year.

Other service:

- Serves on the board of directors for one of the longest running charter schools, Edge Charter H.S
- Member of the Community College Consortium for Immigrant Education (CCCIE) Blue Ribbon Panel
- Advisory panel member for National Skills Coalition, National Advisory Panel on Skills Equity
- Past chair and now advocacy advisor to the Arizona Association for Lifelong Learning (AALL)
- Past COABE board member as a Regional Representative for 8 states and as the Public Policy Chair
- Appointed by Congressman Raul Grijalva to Mayor Rothschild's Education Task Force
- Member of the Pima County Workforce Investment Board
- Frequent consultant and speaker on adult education issues, including advocacy

Regina is married to Tracy and they have two daughters. Her mother was an immigrant to the United States who learned English and became a citizen, and she has several family members who have also received their GED's.

Blog:

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