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## Vote NO on Questions 1 and 3!

The Massachusetts Coalition for Adult Education (MCAE) urges you to vote NO on Ballot Question 3, that would slash the sales tax to 3%. Question 3 would reduce more than \$2.5 billion in state funding for public education, health care, local aid and other important initiatives.

MCAE urges all MCAE members and friends of Adult Basic Education to vote NO on slashing the sales tax on November 2, 2010. To view the full MCAE Alert, visit [MCAE Alerts](#).

To learn more about Question 3 visit [Vote No on Question 3](#). This site includes a one-page fact sheet and an interactive map where you and your students can find out how much money your community could lose if Question 3 passes.

MCAE also opposes Question 1 which would remove the sales tax on alcohol and take away all state funding for drug and alcohol treatment. For more information visit [Vote No on Question 1](#).

## Candidate's Respond to MCAE ABE Questionnaire

MCAE contacted the candidates for Governor, and contested Congressional and Legislative seats and asked them to answer questions important to the adult basic education community. [Click here](#) to read the questions and candidate responses.

## Upcoming Televised Gubernatorial Debates

The candidates for governor head west to Chicopee for a debate on Thursday October 21, 2010 at 8pm. Channels 22 and 57 will air the debate live for Western Massachusetts viewers. On Monday October 25, 2010, the Boston Media Consortium is sponsoring a debate that will air live on local Boston stations Monday evening at 7pm.

## Check Out Vote Easy by Project Vote Smart

Looking for information regarding Massachusetts Congressional candidates? This year, nine out of ten Congressional races are contested. Check out [Vote Easy](#) to learn more about candidates running in your district.

## College Working Conditions Survey

MCAE Working Conditions Committee would like the ABE field to know about a survey geared toward part-time, adjunct and contingent faculty at colleges. The Coalition on the Academic Workforce survey is asking the contingent academic workforce about Fall 2010 course assignments, salaries, benefits, and general working conditions. To complete the survey [click here](#).

### Statewide Symposium on Immigrant Entrepreneurship

The Immigrant Learning Center and Babson College are holding a statewide symposium on Immigrant Entrepreneurship on Wednesday November 17, 2010 from 8:30am to 5:00pm at Babson College in Wellesley, MA. Come learn from and network with immigrant entrepreneurs, researchers and experts from the field. They will present data, experiences, ideas and recommendations to accelerate immigrant entrepreneurship for economic and job growth in the Commonwealth.

To get the agenda and speakers for the day as well as to register visit [www.ilctr.org](http://www.ilctr.org). For more information contact Marcia Hohn at [mhohn@ilctr.org](mailto:mhohn@ilctr.org).

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