



NORWICH REGIONAL Adult Education

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Adult Education Programs 2020-2021

Onsite locations: Norwich, Stonington, and East Lyme

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**Ongoing
Registration!**

**High School Completion Programs - ABE/GED Prep - Citizenship -
English as a Second Language - Workforce Readiness - Continuing Education**

Call us at **860.823.4299**

Visit us at

<https://www.norwichpublicschools.org/norwich-regional-adult-education>

for a complete list of course offerings and descriptions.

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General Information

- ◆ Mandated programs are free for the residents of the following school districts: Bozrah, East Lyme, Franklin, Ledyard, Lisbon, North Stonington, Norwich, Preston, Salem, Sprague, Stonington, and Voluntown.
- ◆ All programs are for students who are 17 and older.
- ◆ All students must complete a registration process, including a placement test in reading and math. Students will need to show a photo ID and proof of residency as part of the registration process.
- ◆ Distance learning will be offered in some programs and for all programs if our sites are closed

For more information about our programs, visit our website at: <https://www.norwichpublicschools.org/norwich-regional-adult-education>



Norwich Regional Adult Education (NRAE) is committed to a policy of equal opportunity/affirmative action for all qualified persons and does not discriminate in any employment practice, education program, or educational activity on the basis of race, color, religious creed, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability (including but not limited to, intellectual disability, past or present history of mental disorder, physical disability, or learning disability), genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by Connecticut state and/or federal laws. Inquiries regarding NRAE's nondiscrimination policies should be directed to Pamela Faley, School Counselor, 860-823-4299.

All activities offered by NRAE are held in accessible locations. Accommodations for individuals with a disability are available upon request. Please contact Pamela Faley, Counselor 860-823-4299. NRAE is in compliance with Connecticut General Statutes Sec. 10-73a and does not charge fees for registration, textbooks, or materials used in mandated program areas.

Accommodations for the GED® test are available for qualified individuals with a disability. For more information, contact Sheri Cooke, 860-823-4299. You may also contact Sabrina Mancini at the Connecticut State Department of Education at 860-807-2110.

Our state-mandated Academic Programs are offered to residents of Norwich and the 11 surrounding school districts that comprise Norwich Regional Adult Education. Adult Education is supported by local Boards of Education as well as state and federal grants.

Class Registration Information

To register for classes, please contact our office at

860.823.4299

to schedule an appointment.

To register, you must have:

Photo identification (driver's license, passport, high school ID)

Proof of residency (a piece of your mail with your current address with a recent postmark date)

Social Security number (if you have one issued to you)

High school transcript (if entering a high school completion program)

You will also need to fill out and bring the following documents with you: They can be found online at our website:

<https://www.norwichpublicschools.org/register-nrae>

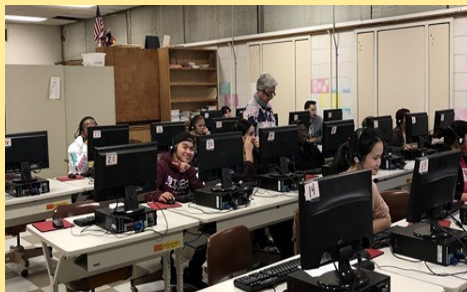
Registration Form

Transcript Release Form (for high school completion programs)

If you need help in filling out and/or printing documents

CALL 860 823 4299.

As part of the registration process, you will also need to take a **placement test** and talk with the school counselor or program leader.



Come Earn Your High School Diploma!

We have three ways!

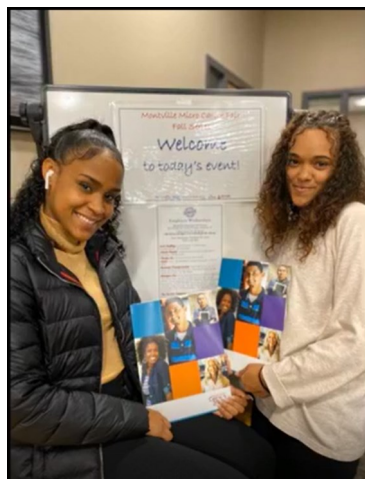
Find the program that's right for you!

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Adult High School Credit Diploma Program (CDP)

This program is designed for adults who want to complete credits toward their high school diploma. Credits may be transferred into the diploma program from any accredited high school. In addition to credits received for academic courses, additional credits may be awarded for: independent study projects, online learning, military experience, specialized skills, and occupational experience. The School Counselor will help you explore options to determine a course of study. A minimum of 21 credits is required to earn a high school diploma. Of these 21 credits, a minimum of 2 credits must be earned at Norwich Adult Education. Some of our exciting course offerings include:



- ◆ *Senior Seminar*—an exciting new offering for all seniors
- ◆ *Computer Applications*—including Northstar Digital Literacy Certification
- ◆ *Medical Applications*—including Caregiver Companion and Home Health Aide Certification Programs
- ◆ *STEM in the Workplace*



“Norwich Regional Adult Ed Program gave me a second chance. I got to meet wonderful people who took the time to help me and teach me so many different things. I am here because two wonderful parents and teachers took the time to teach me even though some people saw me as different. I now have the very same high school diploma that they earned.”

—Attiana E. Banister, CDP graduate June 2020

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General Education Development Program (GED®) and Adult Basic Ed. (ABE)



This program is designed for adult learners who are tested and on high school level skills on a four-part, computer-based exam. Solid reading skills are required to pass the exam, but the classwork will provide review of required competencies. Classes and on line learning are provided to prepare for the GED® Exams. Individualized classroom instruction is provided English, Social Studies, Math, Literature, and Science to review for the seven and a half hour high school equivalency examination. ABE and pre-GED® courses are also available for students needing additional support in basic skills. Aztec Learning program is used as part of the online instruction. By passing four tests in the areas of *Reasoning through Language Arts*,

Mathematical Reasoning, Science, and Social Studies, you can earn a state of CT High School Diploma.

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National External Diploma Program® (NEDP)

This program does not count credits or test scores. This individualized, computer-based program allows you to attain a local diploma through life and work experiences. Students work independently to complete a series of tasks and will meet weekly with an assessor to demonstrate progress. You will have multiple opportunities to demonstrate your mastery of academic skills in core subject areas. NEDP® is a program designed for individuals that can work independently. It's possible that it can be completed in 6-12 months, although there is no time limit. The program features flexibility and confidentiality. This program can be delivered at any of our sites (Norwich, Stonington, East Lyme or American Job Center) or remotely for your convenience. A Chrome-book lending program is available.



Find out more on the National website:

<http://www.casas.org/nedp>

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESL)



English as a Second Language

Students work to improve their reading, writing, speaking, and understanding of English. Classes are offered mornings, afternoons, and evenings. Based on assessment results, students are assigned to one of five leveled classes (pre-literacy, literacy, beginning, high beginning, intermediate, high intermediate, and advanced). Class content includes reading, writing, speaking, and listening in the context of: employability skills, digital literacy, civic education, and life skills. Regular attendance is required. Transition to high school is part of the program for those in need of a high school diploma.



Families Learning English

This program is for families with children. Parents will work to improve their English speaking, understanding, and writing while children (aged 2—8 years) take part in engaging activities and receive homework help. The program integrates English Language Learning with real life application. Childcare is provided. The program is held at Madonna Place, and after school at Uncas School, and Wequonnoc School.

Citizenship

Citizenship Preparation - Class content includes American history and government, practice with the 100 naturalization questions, civic education and coaching for the USCIS interview and review of the N-400 application.

Students must register and be assessed to determine instructional level. Begin your journey to American Citizenship with this online Citizenship Class.



Credential Programs

(available through some of our programs)

Check out these Workforce
Readiness Opportunities!

- ◆ **Food Handler Certification Program:** This food safety certification course provides official documentation for those pursuing a career in the food service industry.
- ◆ **Caregiver Companion & Home Health Aide Program:** Students in their senior year can enroll in the Health and Medical Applications Science class. They will be able to work on credential training for Caregiver Companion (entry level) and Home Health Aide (advanced level) and will be provided the opportunity to job shadow in the health care area.
- ◆ **OSHA-10 Credential Program:** This 10-hour safety course covers general safety and health hazards for entry-level workers.
- ◆ **Northstar Digital Literacy Program:** Earn certificates in Basic Computer Skills, Internet Basics, Essential Software Skills, Using Technology in Daily Life and more.
- ◆ **National Retail Foundation Customer Service Certification Program:** This certification program for out-of-school youth is designed to help entry-level sales and service associates learn skills related to frontline work in retail or other service industries.

Our Continuing Education Program provides classes in the culinary arts, digital literacy, language and culture, arts and crafts, financial literacy, health and wellness and more.

Continuing Education
and Enrichment

For complete descriptions of our trips and Continuing Education classes, please visit us online at Coursestorm;

<https://norwichadulthood.coursestorm.com/>



Our new catalog will be available online October 1st for classes beginning in November. All classes will be offered online for the fall semester.



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We're Here When You Need Us

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- Free Day and Evening Classes Available
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