



Community Education Update

Adult and Alternative Programs

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ADULT EDUCATION

Essential Skills,
English Language
Learning,
GED/Diploma,
Career Pathways
Adult Enrichment
Senior Programs



CREDIT RECOVERY

Completion of High
School Credits
outside of the
School Day



SWAHS

South Washington
Alternative High
School and Area
Learning Program



- Adult Education
 - GED Testing and Prep
 - High School Diploma
 - Computer Classes
- English as a Second Language
 - 42 Languages
 - 64 Countries
- Career Pathways
- Business Partnerships

“Sue and Charlie both helped me and never gave up, I was pregnant going through this program and during a pandemic”

– ASHLEE

Where We Serve

	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21
Central Park Woodbury	N/A	14,493	15,084	10,515	19,893 (virtual)
District Program Center	N/A	5,030	6,171	5,889	
Dakota County Jail	13,526	8,560	3,127	3,450	596
Dakota County Tech College	3,277	1,874	5,675	306	0
Tilden <i>Hastings CE</i>	2,332	2,066	4,335	1,342	620
Century College	7,078	4,559	6,538	5,068	3,522

*"I can't thank you enough
for each letter and word you
have learned it to me. You
have really made a
difference in my life."*

– RAMA

Who We Serve in Adult Education

	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21
Total Students	712	547	644	737	605
Total Countries	No Info	No Info	58	64	53
Total Languages	No Info	No Info	42	42	38
Contact Hours	45,511	36,663	40,946	26,569	24,783

Who We Serve by Age

	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21
16-18 Years	5.13%	6.63%	11.7%	4.3%	7.2%
19-24 Years	16.40%	22.51%	21.7%	18.9%	17.5%
25-44 Years	57.90%	49.28%	48.7%	53.7%	49.5%
45-54 Years	14.42%	14.45%	12.6%	16.2%	13.1%
55-59 Years	3.55%	2.84%	2.3%	2.8%	3.0%

Who We Serve by Education Level

	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21
No School	2.76%	1.89%	1.4%	0.9%	0.9%
Grade 1-5	1.38%	1.42%	1.4%	2.1%	1.6%
Grade 6-8	7.50%	4.50%	4.5%	4.7%	4.5%
Grade 9-12	25.69%	32.22%	28.9%	35.9%	39.7%

Who We Serve by Education Level

	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21
HS Diploma or Equivalent	31.22%	30.80%	35.3%	28.8%	21.7%
Post Secondary No Degree	11.85%	11.37%	9.5%	9.9%	10.0%
Post Second Degree	14.22%	16.11%	16.7%	17.1%	20.0%
Unknown	5.33%	2.60%	2.3%	2.9%	1.6%

*"I have known more
about American
culture and I feel
more confident.."*

– THAO

Pathways and Partnerships

CareerForce of Washington County

Minnesota State Colleges

Renewal by Andersen Cottage Grove

Andersen Windows Bayport

Dakota County Jail

Computer skills for adults – Basic and Advanced for
Microsoft Office – Word, Excel and PowerPoint


ParaProfessional prep for SoWashCo employees



Adult Enrichment and Seniors



Credit Recovery

- State funded program used to increase graduation rates
 - Licensed teachers working after-school and summer hours
 - Impact of COVID-19 and looking forward
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Credits Recovered

	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	Summer 21
Credits	1,104	1,215	899	1,542	1,015

Alternative Programs

PreK THRU ADULT

SWAHS and Adult Partnerships

- Credit Recovery
 - Standards based approach to learning.
 - SOWASHCO content to administer credit recovery.
 - Community Engagement
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Alternative Programs

LOOKING AHEAD

Alternative High School Enrollment Avg

	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22
SY AVG	98	72	94.5	107	112	TBD

Alternative High School Yearly Graduates

	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22
SY	40	30	32	22	44	TBD

Alternative Programs

LOOKING AHEAD

- Alternative Learning Center (ALC vs. ALP)
 - Allows us to provide greater services to more students
 - Based on elementary (targeted services), middle level, and secondary continuum
- Larger focus is on career readiness, exposing students to career opportunities earlier on within these programs.

Thanks!

