Instruction

Adult Education

The New London Board of Education is dedicated to the idea that education is a life-long process. To that end, the Board aims to provide continuing education for all the citizens of New London. The Adult and Continuing Education Program is designed to encompass a wide subject area and to enhance the educational development of those whom it serves.

To provide a comprehensive Adult and Continuing Education Program, the Board believes that the Program should help adults:

- 1. Attain informational skills in order to think effectively,
- 2. Acquire vocational information and satisfy vocational needs,
- 3. Become aware and knowledgeable of beauty in the Arts,
- 4. Understand behavior better and adjust better socially, and
- 5. Improve their health and physical condition.

Organizational Structure

The New London Adult and Continuing Education Program is divided into a State-mandated portion and a general segment.

State-Mandated Portion

The State-mandated portion of the Adult and Continuing Education Program is committed to serving adults with the least amount of education.

The State-mandated portion of the Program provides free programs of instruction for adults who qualify by any one of the following:

- 1. Wish to become citizens of the United States;
- 2. Have Limited English Proficiency;
- 3. Read at grades 0-8 and need to improve their competency in basic reading, writing, spelling, and arithmetic;
- 4. Read at grades 0-8 and need to improve their competency in the Life Skill areas of community resources, occupational knowledge, consumer economics, health, government and law, and social adjustment;
- 5. Wish to receive units of credit toward a New London High School diploma; and
- 6. Wish to prepare for the high school equivalency examination.

Instruction

Adult Education (continued)

This portion of the Program also offers a variety of instructional materials and resources to staff and adults participating in the courses of study offered in the Adult and Continuing Education Program.

General Segment

The general segment of the New London Adult and Continuing Education Program offers a wide variety of vocational, avocational, or personal interest courses designed to develop a skill or to pursue a hobby.

These courses are part of a continuing effort to serve the growing and highly diversified student population which participates in the Program. They are specifically designed to meet the needs of these adults. This segment of the Program continues to alter its course offerings on a semester basis so that it can incorporate new subject matter and themes of contemporary interest. The Program attempts to remain relevant to the lives of its students.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-67 Adult education-definitions (as amended by P.A. 03-100)

10-69 (as amended by P.A. 03-100) and 10-73a Adult education.

10-71 (as amended by P.A. 03-100) and 10-71a State grants for adult education programs.

10-73b Grants for adult education services of programs conforming to state plan.

10-73c Basic adult education programs.

P.A. 96-244 An Act Concerning Technical Revision to the Education Statutes.

P.A. 97-290 An Act Enhancing Choices and Opportunities

P.A. 03-102 An Act Concerning Adult Education and Workforce Development