

# NEWSLETTER



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## BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

By OAE Staff

#### **Basic Computer Skills**

A new Basic Computer Skills class is coming to Owatonna Adult Education! Inspired by student feedback, this class has been introduced to empower individuals with essential digital competencies in today's rapidly evolving tech landscape. This course is designed for the absolute beginner and will focus on device recognition, computer hardware and software upgrades, keyboarding skills, mouse and screen interactions, audio output features, desktop icons, file management, computer accessibility, internet connections, and camera/mic functions. Students will earn a Northstar Digital Literacy certification upon completion of the class. Through a blend of interactive lessons and collaborative projects, this basic computer skills class aims to foster an inclusive learning environment, bridge the digital divide, and prepare individuals for success in today's technology-driven world.

#### **Distance Learning with Burlington English**

Do you know someone interested in learning English but can't attend our classes? Learn English from a distance with Burlington English! Burlington is a standards-based, fully blended curriculum that focuses on academic preparation, civics knowledge, and career readiness. This program is offered for free, a \$79 value, and includes an orientation with our instructors. Seats are limited and a pre and post-test is required for registration. Call Kim at 507-444-7925 to enroll!

## MEET OUR STUDENT LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

The Student Leadership Council is an adult student group that engages in career, college, and life skills learning opportunities. All adult learning students can send their program and class feedback to the council as we work to improve our Adult Learning Center!

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