

# Manhattan Schools Adult Education

## The Manhattan Adult Education Program announces the 2024 winter class offerings

The Manhattan School District is very excited to announce that we will again be offering a variety of interesting adult education classes for our community this winter/spring.

- ◆ Classes, ranging from 1 night to 8 weeks, will again be offered for free. If a class reaches maximum capacity and there are people registered who do not live in the Manhattan school district, priority will be given to those who do live in the Manhattan school district.
- ◆ Several classes have a materials fee (for food or supplies). **If a class has a materials fee, you will pay the instructor directly at the first class session.** Cash is preferred, but checks will also work.
- ◆ Some classes will fill up quickly, so **please register early**.
- ◆ To participate in this program, you must be at least 18 years old and must be out of high school.
- ◆ **Registration is MANDATORY.** Only people enrolled in any class are allowed to attend that class.
- ◆ Children are not allowed to attend classes with their parents.
- ◆ If the minimum number of people have not registered for any class by one week prior to the class beginning, we will cancel the class. If a class is canceled, anyone who signed up will be notified.
- ◆ If you will not be able to attend class after you have registered, please notify Ginny Francis as early as possible, as there may be a waiting list for the class. Instructors for classes with material fees have purchased supplies based on the number registered so it is important to have that number attend.  
Thank you for your cooperation with this important detail.

### REGISTRATION

We are offering two options to register for the classes.

**1st option— you can register online.** Please visit Manhattan Public Schools website at [www.rollontigers.org](http://www.rollontigers.org). There will be a link to register through Signup Genius on the district website's homepage. The version of Signup Genius that we will use this year is an improved version of the one used last year. If you have questions regarding online registration, please call Ginny Francis at 406-581-6843.

**2nd option—**if you would prefer to register over the phone, you can do so by calling Ginny Francis, Adult Ed Coordinator, at 406-581-6843.

Any class that has a materials fee will be collected at the first class. Cash is the preferred method of payment. Registrations are on a first come, first served basis.

If a class fills up, people living in the Manhattan school district are given preference.

## Manhattan School District Adult Education One Night Classes

Class Title: **Substitute Teacher Bootcamp**

Instructor: various staff members

Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 (6:30 to 9:00pm)

Location: MHS Room 1137 (Ms. Todd's Classroom)

Materials needed: Writing utensil

Description: Want to make a positive impact in your community? Enjoy working with kids? Wonder if substitute teaching is the right fit for you? This course offers an introduction to substitute teaching, in which we will discuss what the role entails, how to take the first step to become a substitute, and tips for success at both the elementary and high school level.

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Class Title: **How to SELL a Home**

Instructors: Nancy Clark nancy-clark@live.com 406.579.9190

and Jake Freedman, MT Property Photography

Meeting Date: Monday, March 11, 2024 (6:30 to 8:30pm)

Location: MHS Classroom 1137

Description: Are you considering selling your home, but need more information? This is the class for you. Now that we are in a Buyer's market, you need to have every advantage to attract Buyers. Topics to be discussed include: getting the most for your property, marketing tips, and the process of selling. Have your questions answered here.

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Class Title: **How to BUY a Home**

Instructors: Nancy Clark nancy-clark@live.com 406.579.9190

And Brad Wimmer, loan officer at Manhattan Bank

Meeting Date: Monday, March 18, 2024 (6:30 to 8:30pm)

Location: MHS Classroom 1137

Description: Buying a home can be an overwhelming process. It is a Buyer's market but with loan programs changing, now is a great time to learn new buying strategies. Did you know there's a loan to buy down interest points?! There are options to save you money on your monthly payment and your upfront closing costs. This class will help you learn about negotiating, appraisals, inspections, and the financing process. Be sure to bring your questions.

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Class Title: **Instant Pot Cooking**

Instructor: Nancy Francis **PLEASE EMAIL FOOD ALLERGY INFO TO nancy\_nic@yahoo.com**

Meeting Date: **choose one** Session A— March 14, 2024 (6:00—8:30pm) OR

Session B— March 28, 2024 (6:00—8:30pm)

Location: MHS Classroom 1150 (FCS Room)

Materials cost: \$20 per person to cover food and paper products—dinner will be served

Description: Join me for some Instant Pot Pressure Cooker basics. I will demonstrate how to conduct the "water test" and cook a few dishes to share with the participants. We will prepare 4 recipes that will include a soup, side dish, main course and dessert showing how to use some of the Instant Pot features and accessories. If you have taken this class previously, I will be demonstrating new recipes! Don't have an Instant Pot cooker? No worries, everything demonstrated will be transferable to other brands. Copies of recipes will be provided. Please communicate any food sensitivities or allergies.

## **Manhattan School District Adult Education One Night Classes—continued**

Class Title: **Legacy Planning: Making informed Decisions—About Bequests or Gift**

Instructor: Dr. Marsha Goetting 406.994.5695 Marsha.goetting@montana.edu

Meeting Dates: Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2024 (6:00 to 8:00pm)

Location: MHS Large Activities Room

Description: Should I gift while I am alive or leave a bequest after I die? It depends. Do you want to be alive so you can see how your gift is “spent?” Do you want to hold on to all assets in case you have long term care expenses? There are some who say federal and state death taxes are the determining factors. During this class you will become aware of factors to consider and the meaning of the stepped-up basis on inherited property and carry-over basis on gifted property and the resulting tax impacts.

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Title: **Legacy Planning: Making informed Decisions—When selecting an estate planning attorney**

Instructor: Dr. Marsha Goetting 406.994.5695 Marsha.goetting@montana.edu

Meeting Dates: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 (6:00 to 8:00pm)

Location: MHS Large Activities Room

Description: When selecting an attorney to help develop an estate plan, you need to have one who is well-informed about Montana will and trust laws, and other legal tools. You want the attorney to develop an estate plan tailored to your needs, by considering your age, health, family, income, assets, goals and other circumstances. If your goal is to find an attorney to help settle the estate or administer a probate, then look for one who is knowledgeable about the probate process and trust law in Montana. Attorneys have different areas of expertise. This session will explore how to find an attorney and what to ask about developing a plan or settling an estate.

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Title: **Legacy Planning: Making informed Decisions—About using legal tools to avoid the cost of probate**

Instructor: Dr. Marsha Goetting 406.994.5695 Marsha.goetting@montana.edu

Meeting Dates: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 (6:00 to 8:00pm)

Location: MHS Large Activities Room

Description: Learn how beneficiary designations on your assets allow you to pass property to your heirs without probate and save your estate money. You can add Payable on Death (POD) designations to checking and savings accounts, and CDs at banks and credit unions. You can add Transfer on Death (TOD) designations to your stocks, bonds, and mutual funds. You can file a Transfer on Death Deed on real property and avoid probate. You can file MV13 and avoid probate on your vehicle or vessel. Learn how these designations override a written will regardless of when it was written.

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Class Title: **Introduction to Dutch Oven Cooking**

Instructor: Scott Francis 406.581.6845 scott.francis@montana.edu

Meeting Date: Monday, April 22, 2024 (6:00 to 8:30pm) – plan to eat dinner

Location: Large Activities Room and Outside in front of the school

Materials fee: \$15.00 for food (payable to instructor at class)

Description: The class will introduce the basics of Dutch Oven Cooking. The students will learn the history of Dutch Oven Cooking, types of equipment needed, and basic techniques. There will be recipes and ideas for meal preparation shared with the class. The students will have the opportunity to prepare a simple meal and enjoy the tasty vittles.

## **Manhattan School District Adult Education One Night Classes—continued**

**Class Title: How to Build your own Survival Kit**

Instructor: Scott Francis 406.581.6845 scott.francis@montana.edu

Meeting Date: Monday, March 25, 2024 (6:00 to 9:00pm) Location: MHS Large Activities Room

Materials fee: \$5.00 for provided materials for kit

Description: This class will cover the importance of being prepared for travel and outdoor activities to ensure safety and survival of emergency situations. The participants will be given information on how to build their own survival kits with common household items. Each participant will take home the contents of the kit started in class

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**Class Title: Wool Painting**

Instructor: Leia Miller 406.599.8257 littleblessingsranch@gmail.com

Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 3, 2024 (6:30 – 9:00pm) Location: MHS Large Activities Room

Materials Fee: \$5.00 for the wool you will be using

Materials to bring: a picture to “paint” from and felting needle, if you have one

Description: Participants will be making 5 x 7 pictures out of colored wool and mounting them on cardstock. No experience is necessary, just a desire to learn something new and be creative.

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## **Manhattan School District Adult Education Multiple Night Classes**

**Class Title: Euchre Fun!**

Instructor: Cheryl Curry text Cheryl with questions 240-273-2294

Meeting Dates: Thursdays, Feb. 22, 29, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 (6:30 to 8:30pm)

Location: MHS Small Activities Room

Materials: Please bring a deck of regular playing cards

Description: Due to increasing popularity of this fast and fun card game, we will be meeting again to welcome new players and enjoy an evening of fun. The time goes fast! Join us whether you are new to the game or expert, as we build our Euchre community!

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**Class Title: Now We're Cookin' Gluten-Free**

Instructor: Deb Wheaton deb@glutenfreeprairie.com

Meeting Dates: Thursdays, Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 2024 (6:00 to 8:00pm)

Location: This class will meet at Gluten-Free Prairie store, downtown Manhattan, upstairs

Materials: Food fee \$5.00

Description: The class is intended to simplify and demystify Gluten-Free cooking and baking. This 4 week session will include dishes that are often challenging when done Gluten-Free. Breads, pastries, pizza, sauces, etc.

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**Class Title: Computer Applications—A Little of Everything**

Instructor: Jill Ayers bjayers5@gmail.com

Meeting Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 (7:00 to 8:30pm)

Location: Computer Lab at **Manhattan Christian School** (please leave early to allow time to drive to Churchill—this class is at Manhattan Christian School)

Description: This class will provide an intro to several different computer applications including: Windows 11 Operating System, Google Apps, Spreadsheets, Canva, 3D Design and Printing. Come to all classes or just the nights you are interested in.

## Manhattan School District Adult Education Multiple Night Classes—continued

Class Title: **Investing 101**

Instructor: Paul Jones 581-9402 pjones@benchmark-financial.com

Meeting Dates: Wednesdays, Jan. 24, 31 and Feb. 7, 2024 (7:00 to 9:00pm)

Location: MHS Room 1137 (Ms. Todd's Classroom)

Description: This class will cover the basics of investment accounts (retirement account to individual accounts), what goes on in the markets and how that effects the investment accounts. We will cover insurance (life, LTC and disability), beneficiary designation of all kinds of accounts. We will also cover basic estate planning and how the documents work and why you need them. All questions that come up will be covered as well.

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Class Title: **Woodworking 101**

Instructor: Tim Kuperus koop4us@gmail.com

Meeting Dates: Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024 (6:30 to 8:30pm)

Location: MHS Shop

Materials: Depending on the project you choose, price will range from \$20 to \$50

Description: Ever wanted to try your hand at making a wood project, but you didn't know where to begin? No shop? No tools? No experience? This is the class for you. We supply the shop and tools. We will give you hands-on training. By the time the class is finished you will leave with a project you made. Learn how to safely operate a table saw, planer, jointer, router and other woodworking tools.

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Class Title: **Welding 101**

Instructor: Jesse Taber tabermachining@gmail.com

Meeting Dates: Tuesdays, Jan. 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mar. 5, 2024 (7:00 to 9:00pm)

Location: MHS Shop

Materials needed: Welding Gloves, safety glasses, scrap metal for practicing

Materials fee: Cost of metal will depend on the project that is chosen. This will be determined at class.

Description: Ever wanted to learn how to weld? This beginner class will do just that. The class will focus mostly on mig welding and welding practices. The goal by the end will be for each student to be confident at mig welding by completing a project to take home.

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Class Title: **Beginner Ukulele**

Instructor: Tyll Hertsens 406.570.9841 tyll@tyllhertsens.com

Meeting Dates: Thursdays, Mar, 7, 14, 21, 28, Apr 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024 (6:30 to 7:30pm)

Location: MHS Large Activities Room

Materials: if you already have a uke, please bring it. If you don't have one yet, please wait to talk to the instructor about what the best type is for you to purchase. He will provide you with a loaner until you acquire one of your own.

Description: This class will take you from no experience at all, to being able to play basic songs in the key of C and G (the most common keys in ukulele groups)...you will, of course, need to practice 15 to 30 minutes a day to get there. There will be instruction in: types of ukuleles; what chords and keys are in music; how to hold your uke, finger chords and strum; playing chord progressions and simple songs in a key; the pattern of secondary dominant chords; rhythmic patterns in music; and how to plan your way forward. A booklet developed by the instructor will be provided at no cost. This booklet includes materials for beginners' class, as well as for further study.



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## Manhattan School District Adult Education Multiple Night Classes continued

Class Title: **Welcome to Beginner Crochet**

Instructor: Julie Brown

Meeting Dates: Tuesdays, Jan. 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 2024 (6:30 to 9:00pm)

Location: MHS Small Activities Room

Materials: For first class, a size F crochet hook, elastic hair ties and medium weight yarn. During class, different types of yarn for projects will be discussed.

Description: This class will work on some basic stitches with a hair scrunchie, graduate to a pot holder, then a matching scarf and hat.

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Class Title: **Rug Making**

Instructor: Ann Ward-Turner

Meeting Dates: Tuesdays, March 5, 12, 19,26, April 2, 2024 (6:30 to 8:30pm)

Location: MHS Small Activities Room

Materials needed: Fabric is needed. The most economical source of material is shopping for used sheets at Thrift stores. About 4 standard to king sized sheets make a good size rug. Fitted bottom or top sheets work. Corners are cut out of bottom sheets. You can also use fabric you have or buy fabric. Avoid stiff fabrics, as they are difficult to crochet. Choose colors that you like or that fit your scheme or use a combination of colors for a “scrappy” look. Each person needs sharp scissors, and a size J or K crochet hook. A rotary cutter and mat and quilting ruler are helpful (to cut 1 inch strips), but instructor has a couple available to use if you don’t have one, having people take turns.

Description: Create your own custom rug for your home in either oval or rectangular shape, using a few simple crochet stitches. The rug will be made of one-inch-wide fabric strips—a good way to use up fabrics you may have on hand. Those attending this class will enjoy it much more knowing basic crocheting skills.

Note—we are offering a crochet class through Adult Ed. See description above.

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Class Title: **Beginning Quilting**

Instructor: Donna Beck home—406.587.4087 cell—406-539-0917

Meeting Dates: Wednesdays, March 6, 13, 20, 27, 2024 (6:30 to 8:30pm)

Location: MHS Large Activity Room

Materials needed: sewing machine in good working order (don’t forget power cord), walking foot, 1/4” piecing foot (if you have one), 6 1/2 “ square ruler, 22” x 2” or larger quilting ruler, new 80 universal sewing machine needle, rotary cutter, cutting mat, 4 fat quarters (different patterns and colors that coordinate as they will be used together in the table runner), batting and backing fabric for the runner (each 18 x 36 or larger), 1/4 to 1/3 yd. of fabric to use as binding for the runner, thread to match fabric, bobbin thread (white for light colored fat quarters or black for dark colors), small iron (if you have one) and small ironing board (if you have one), basic sewing supplies, including pins, seam ripper, etc.

Description: Participants will be making a 15”x30” table runner out of 4 different fabrics.

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### **Meet the Instructors:**

**Jill Ayers** has been the Business and Technology Instructor at Manhattan Christian School for 17 years. She worked in Information Technology for Gallatin County for 5 years.

**Donna Beck**, moved to Manhattan from Bozeman about 18 months ago. She has attended quilting classes for many years and has made all kinds of quilts. She hopes to instill her love of quilting in her students.

**Julie Brown** has been crocheting for over 20 years. She has made several different size items, but generally prefers small projects as she gets a sense of accomplishment when the project is done.

**Nancy Clark** is a Broker at AmeriMont Real Estate in Manhattan. She has been with AmeriMont for 8 years and did over \$18 million in transactions in 2021. She has consistently been the top producer in Manhattan for both number of transactions and sales volume.

**Cheryl Curry** has played Euchre since a child growing up in the Detroit area. She is a retired teacher who loves to teach and play card games!

**Nancy Francis** is a retired High School teacher that enjoys home cooking. She retired from teaching Business Education and Computer Science in 2021 and is currently “Granny Nanny” to her almost 3-year-old grandson. In her spare time, Nancy enjoys quilting, knitting, cooking, reading and spending time with her family.

**Scott Francis**, a retired teacher, with 30 years of experience teaching Math and Science. He is currently the Outdoor Education Coordinator at the Montana 4-H Center for Youth Development, in charge of Shooting Sports, Wildlife & Conservation, Fishing, and Outdoor Education. He has been a Shooting Sports Leader for 20 years. He is a Dutch oven cooking enthusiast, long time hunter and outdoorsman.

**Jake Freedman** is a photographer at MT Property Photography and shares his expertise from the view point of a photographer in preparing to sell a home.

**Marsha Goetting** is a Professor and Extension Family Economics Specialist at MSU in Bozeman. During the COVID years 2020 - 2022 her virtual seminars reached over 13,450 Montanans & another 7,140 during 2023. She received the Iowa State University Alumni Achievement Award in 2020 and the AARP Community Partner Award in 2021. In 2023 she received the Distinguished Service Ruby Award from Epsilon Sigma Phi, an Extension Honorary. Dr. Goetting is a member of the Montana Alzheimer’s and related dementia’s Workgroup and has been appointed to the Montana Supreme Court Commission on Continuing Legal Education. She received her PhD from Iowa State University and her master’s and bachelor’s degrees from Kansas State University.

**Tyll Hertsens** has been playing ukulele for 30 years with a focus on Jazz. He has been teaching beginner ukulele in Gallatin Valley for the past year at sr. centers, schools and jam sessions at Gallatin Valley Mall.

**Paul Jones** has been a financial advisor for 16 years and is a Certified Financial Planner. His company is Benchmark Financial. He is also a SmartVestor Pro with the Dave Ramsey program. He has lived in Manhattan for the past 20 years and has been involved in the local chamber and school.

**Tim Kuperus** loves to make furniture in his free time. If you stop by his home, you might eat at his hand-made cherry table, or sit around his mission style coffee table. After making a queen sized bed and bedside table, he is currently working on a walnut dresser to finish the bedroom set.

**Leia Miller** and her husband have been in this beautiful valley since 1992. They have lived on their 5 acre farm/ranch (Little Blessings Ranch) for 20 years and have raised three kids. She is a teacher by trade and has been involved with 4-H right along with her kids, hence the sheep and rabbits. She loves sharing what she has learned from her experiences with their wool. She says the creative process is so exciting and she is always learning and willing to share!

**Jesse Taber** is a small business owner, having been a machinist for over 10 years. He has Mig, Tig, and Stick welding experience.

**Ann Ward-Turner** has enjoyed being part of the Manhattan Community for nearly 30 years. She has taught the rug making class for Adult Ed several times in the past and enjoys crocheting in her spare time. Ann has a degree in Christian Education and has found teaching, in a variety of settings, to be wonderfully rewarding work, and looks forward to sharing the skill of rug making with others.

**Deb Wheaton** is the founder/owner of Gluten-Free Prairie in Manhattan.

**Brad Wimmer**, a loan officer at Manhattan Bank, is here to share financial information about buying a home.

**Thank you to all of the instructors** who share their expertise with our community. We really appreciate you. Without our wonderful instructors, we would not be able to have this Adult Ed Program.



