



OCTOBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

Empowering Adults. Strengthening Communities.

October: A Season of Change and New Beginnings

October has arrived, bringing cooler mornings, colorful leaves, and the familiar time of year when we begin to unpack our sweaters and settle into the beauty of fall. As the leaves begin to fall and the days grow shorter, our Adult Education classrooms are full of energy, learning, and new beginnings.

For many of our students, October is a time to keep moving forward toward their goals of earning a high school diploma or GED, improving their English, preparing for a career, or building new skills for themselves and their families. Just as the landscape around us changes with the season, our students are making meaningful changes in their own lives. Every class, every lesson, and every new skill is another step toward a brighter future.

This October, we celebrate our students, our dedicated teachers, and the entire Adult Education community that helps make those transformations possible.

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STILL ACCEPTING FALL REGISTRATIONS!

*In-Person Registration Available
Register Today!*

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Citizenship, & Adult Basic Education**



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THREE FREE WAYS TO EARN YOUR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA!



GED

- NOMINIMUM REQUIREMENTS TO START
- AVAILABLE IN ENGLISH OR SPANISH
- PREPARE TO PASS THE FOUR ONLINE GED TESTS: REASONING THROUGH LANGUAGE ARTS, SCIENCE, SOCIAL STUDIES, AND MATHEMATICAL REASONING
- SMALL DAY AND EVENING CLASSES
- ONLINE TOOLS AND PROGRAMS
- INDIVIDUALIZED PREPARATION PLAN
- AWARDED A STATE OF CT DIPLOMA

CDP

- SMALL EVENING CLASSES
- ONLINE & INDEPENDENT COURSEWORK OPTIONS
- EARN HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS

NEDP

- SELF-PACED AND NO TESTS
- INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH AN ADVISOR
- FLEXIBLE TIMES AND LOCATIONS

FREE DAY & EVENING CLASSES



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EdAdvance Adult & Continuing Education is a consortium of towns and school districts across western Connecticut, working together to provide lifelong learning opportunities for adults in our communities. We offer various educational options, including free mandated academic programs and fee-based enrichment courses, all delivered in a cost-effective, high-quality environment at convenient locations

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Scan to register:



Enrichment Courses

Explore a variety of courses designed to build skills, support career readiness, and encourage lifelong learning.



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Upcoming October Classes



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**Create & Explore
Watercolor
Painting**

**In Person
Torington**

07

**Fluid Art Coster
Making**

**In Person
Litchfield**

15

**Norman
Rockwell His Life
and Work**

Online

20

**Bring The
Outside In Floral
Design**

**In Person
Watertown**

21

**Sock Knitting
Basics**

**In Person
Litchfield**

30

**Chell's
Charcuterie -
Holiday Wreath**

**In Person
Torington**



NORTHWEST CAREER FAIR

Join Us for a Career Hiring Event!

- Meet directly with hiring managers from a wide range of industries
- Explore full-time, part-time, and flexible employment opportunities
- Connect with employers hiring across the Northwest Region
- Take the next step toward your career



Wednesday

October 14, 2026



Time

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM



EdAdvance Regional Learning Center
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Bring copies of your current resume & dress to impress!

FREE DIGITAL LITERACY CLASSES FOR ADULT EDUCATION STUDENTS

Begins Monday 10/19/26 – 12/7/26
12:30 – 2:30 PM

EdAdvance Regional Learning Center

215 Hogan Drive
Torrington, CT 06790

What the Course will Cover

- ✓ Create and save documents
- ✓ Fill out online forms
- ✓ Navigate the internet safely and responsibly
- ✓ Explore job search and career resources online
- ✓ Earn a certificate that highlights your achievement and helps your résumé shine!

For more information, contact:



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DIGITAL LITERACY ASSESSMENT



The Northstar Basic Computer Skills
Certificates can help you move ahead



Become a Paraeducator...

PARAPATHWAYS

Certification Test Prep Course for IELCE+T Students

This course will prepare you for success as a
Paraeducator. You will...

- Prepare for the ParaPathways assessment
- Learn practical paraeducator best practices
- Understand classroom environments and procedures
- Build confidence to succeed in a classroom setting
- Develop skills to support K–12 students effectively

Course Highlights:

- 8-week course Tues/Thurs Night
- Combination of test prep & real-world training
- All materials and assessment free



Oct 22th - Dec 10th
Tuesdays & Thursdays



6:00 - 8:00 PM



Virtual

ASSESSMENT AT EDADVANCE
LITCHFIELD OFFICE - DATES TBD



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FOR QUESTIONS,



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*FREE Class For
Integrated English Lit
& Civics Training
Student*

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ONLINE TRAINING

Through the Global Compliance Network (GCN) via EdAdvance Adult & Continuing Education



A LIFESAVER FOR DISTRICT AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS!

So many mandated topics to cover, and so little time. The Global Compliance Network (GCN) unlimited tutorial license can help you efficiently address important and timely topics for all staff, including administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, and maintenance personnel.

The GCN portal serves as a one-stop resource for Connecticut State Mandated Anti-Bullying (26 minutes) and Sexual Harassment Prevention (2-hour) trainings, along with many other topics relevant to your staff.

UNLIMITED ACCESS TO OVER 175 TUTORIALS

You can easily integrate the tutorials into staff meetings, use them in group settings, or assign them for independent completion during duty time (please consult your teachers' union). The system can generate certificates and track completion for each participant, and all tutorials are available on-demand, 24/7.

GCN's tutorials cover a wide range of OSHA, HR, and Professional Development topics. Each tutorial meets the minimum compliance standards mandated by state and federal laws and is regularly updated to ensure accuracy and relevance.

TRENDING TOPICS:

- Anti-Bullying | Cyber Bullying
- Sexual Harassment
- Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Awareness in Schools
- Workplace Violence
- School Safety
- Social Emotional Learning
- Suicide Prevention
- Teen Dating Violence
- Bloodborne Pathogens
- Concussion Training
- Effective Leadership
- FMLA

Many
more!

GETTING STARTED IS AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3!

GCN is designed to be intuitive and user-friendly, so you can begin using it quickly and efficiently. Reach out to learn more about our affordable pricing options, which are based on the number of users, and discover how simple the setup process is. We're happy to walk you through the features, answer any questions, and ensure you get the most out of GCN from day one.

**To learn more, contact Ray Byron, Director of Adult Education,
at (860) 567-0863 x1086 or byron@edadvance.org.**



Northwest Region American Job Center Affiliate

October 2026 Events Calendar

Torrington Career Center | 215 Hogan Drive, Torrington | (475) 233-4001

The Connecticut Department of Labor (DOL) is an equal opportunity employer with equal opportunity programs and auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

To register for a DOL workshop:
Visit: <https://ctdol.jotform.com/CT1/requestemploymentservices>
or call 203-437-3380!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Construction Career Training information session 10-10-30AM <i>In Person Waterbury AJC 249 Thomaston Ave., ~~Wbtry~~</i>	2 CT DOL Virtual Workshop: LinkedIn 9-11-30AM Career Advancement Info Session (WIOA) Virtual 9-00-10-00
5 CT DOL Virtual Workshop: Interviewing Strategies & Techniques 9-11-30am	6 CT DOL Virtual Workshop: Fundamentals of Resume Writing 9-11-30AM	7 CT DOL Virtual Workshop: Successful Job Search Strategies 9-11-30AM	8 Construction Career Training information session 10-10-30AM <i>In Person Waterbury AJC 249 Thomaston Ave., ~~Wbtry~~</i>	9 Career Advancement Info Session (WIOA) Virtual 9-00-10-00
12 <i>Holiday</i>	13 CT DOL Virtual Workshop: Interviewing Strategies & Techniques 9-11-30am	14 CT DOL Virtual Workshop: Fundamentals of Resume Writing 9-11-30AM <i>JOB FAIR In Person 11:00-2:00 Torrington AJC/EdAdvance 215 Hogan Drive, Torrington, CT</i> <i>AJC Workshop: How to Interview Virtual 2:00-3:30 Call 203-574-6971 x 451 to Register</i>	15 CT DOL Virtual Workshop: Successful Job Search Strategies 9-11-30AM Construction Career Training information session 10-10-30AM <i>In Person Waterbury AJC 249 Thomaston Ave., ~~Wbtry~~</i>	16 CT DOL Virtual Workshop: LinkedIn 9-11-30AM Career Advancement Info Session (WIOA) Virtual 9-00-10-00
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NW AJC October 2026 Calendar

[Workshop Calendar Descriptions](#)

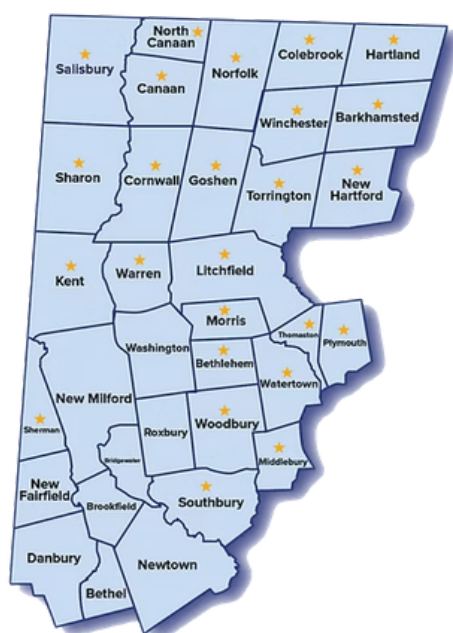




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Region #1: Canaan, Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury, Sharon

Region #7: Barkhamsted, Colebrook, New Hartford, Norfolk, Winsted

Region #14: Bethlehem, Woodbury

Region #15: Middlebury, Southbury

Region #20: Goshen, Litchfield, Morris, Warren

Hartland

Plymouth/Terryville

Sherman

Thomaston

Torrington

Watertown

Winchester/Winsted

Academic & Enrichment Course Locations

Location	ABE	ESL	Citizenship	GED® Prep	CDP	Enrichment
EdAdvance Kitching Regional Learning Center (Torrington)		X	X	X	X	X
Housatonic Valley Regional High School (Falls Village)		X				X
CT State Northwest Community College (Winsted, Greenwood Hall)		X		X		
Vogel-Wetmore Elementary School (Torrington)		X				
Watertown High School		X		X	X	X
Online	X	X	X	X	X	X

