

# Connecticut Adult Education Services

Adult education services are provided **free of charge** to any adult (17 years of age or older) who is a resident of Connecticut, does not have a high school diploma and is not enrolled in a public high school program.

## Adult Basic Education (ABE)

Instruction is designed for adults who need the basic reading, writing and numeracy skills necessary to function effectively as workers, parents and citizens. Persons completing ABE are prepared to benefit from secondary (high school) level instruction.

## Secondary School Completion

Connecticut Adult Education offers three distinct pathways for adults to attain a high school diploma:

### 1. Adult High School Credit Diploma (AHSCD):

The Adult High School Credit Diploma program is a prescribed plan, process and structure for earning a required number of academic and elective credits. An adult who successfully completes the required credits of the AHSCD program is awarded a high school diploma by the providing public school district or Regional Education Service Center (RESC).

### 2. General Educational Development (GED®):

Adults who have not completed high school must demonstrate, through a four-part examination that includes a writing sample, the attainment of academic skills and concepts normally acquired through completion of a high school program. Applicants for this examination must be at least 17 years of age and officially withdrawn from school for at least six months. Individuals who pass the GED® Tests are awarded a Connecticut State High School Diploma.

### 3. National External Diploma Program (NEDP):

This program is designed for adults who have gained skills through life experiences and have demonstrated competence in a particular job, talent or academic area. The NEDP is an online portfolio assessment program that offers no classroom instruction. An adult who successfully completes the portfolio assessments is awarded a high school diploma by the providing LEA or RESC.

## Americanization/Citizenship

Instruction is designed for foreign-born adults who wish to become United States citizens. Persons completing this program are prepared to pursue citizenship through the prescribed process of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.

## English as a Second Language (ESL)

Instruction is designed for adults who have limited proficiency in the English language or whose native language is not English. ESL programs assist individuals in improving English skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing in order to find or maintain employment, attain citizenship, become more involved with their children's schooling and make greater use of community resources. Instruction is provided in English as a unifying means of serving the broad ethnic diversity of limited-English-speaking adults.

| Town(s) Served                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Adult Education Program                                                   | Phone        |
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| <b>Berlin</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Berlin Adult Education, 139 Patterson Way, Berlin, CT 06037               | 860-828-8135 |
| <b>Bloomfield</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Bloomfield Adult Education, 390 Park Avenue, Bloomfield, CT 06002         | 860-286-2637 |
| <b>Branford*</b> , Clinton, Guilford, N. Branford                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | ERACE, 185 East Main Street, Branford, CT 06405                           | 203-488-5693 |
| <b>Bridgeport*</b> , Fairfield                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Bridgeport Adult Education, 1 Lincoln Boulevard, Bridgeport, CT           | 203-275-1509 |
| <b>Bristol*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Bristol Adult Education Center, 210 Redstone Hill Road, Bristol, CT 06010 | 860-584-7865 |
| <b>Cheshire</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Cheshire Adult Education, 29 Main Street, Cheshire, CT 06410              | 203-250-2450 |
| <b>Danbury*</b> , Bethel, Brookfield, Easton, New Fairfield, Newtown, Redding, Ridgefield                                                                                                                                                                         | WERACE-Adult Education, 10 Crosby Street, Danbury, CT 06810               | 203-797-4731 |
| <b>East Hartford*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | East Hartford Adult Education, 869 Forbes St., East Hartford, CT 06118    | 860-622-5355 |
| <b>East Haven*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | East Haven Adult Education, 290 Dodge Avenue, East Haven CT, 06512        | 203-468-3795 |
| <b>Enfield*</b> , Granby, Somers, Suffield                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Enfield Adult Education, 124 North Maple Street, Enfield, CT 06082        | 860-763-7032 |
| <b>Farmington</b> , Avon, Burlington, Canton, Harwinton                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Farmington Continuing Education, 1 Depot Place, Unionville, CT 06085      | 860-404-0290 |
| <b>Greenwich</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Greenwich Adult Education, 290 Greenwich Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830      | 203-625-7474 |
| <b>Groton</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Groton Adult Education, 250 Brandegee Avenue, Groton, CT 06340            | 860-441-2152 |
| <b>Hamden</b> , Bethany, Orange, North Haven, Woodbury                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Hamden Adult Education, 2040 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, CT 06514             | 203-407-2028 |
| <b>Hartford*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Adult Education Center in Hartford, 110 Washington Street, Hartford, CT   | 860-695-5840 |
| <b>Manchester*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Manchester Adult Education, 555 Main Street, Manchester, CT 06040         | 860-647-5075 |
| <b>Meriden</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Meriden Adult Education, 191 Pratt Street, Meriden, CT 06450              | 860-647-5075 |
| <b>Middletown*</b> , Chester, Cromwell, Deep River, Durham, E. Haddam, E. Hampton, Essex, Haddam, Killingworth, Madison, Middlefield, Old Saybrook*, Portland, Rocky Hill, Westbrook                                                                              | Middletown Adult Education, 398 Main Street, Middletown, Ct. 06457        | 860-343-6044 |
| <b>Milford</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Milford Adult Education, 70 West River Street, Milford, CT 06460          | 203-783-3461 |
| <b>Naugatuck</b> , Oxford, Wolcott                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Naugatuck Adult Education, 543 Rubber Avenue, Naugatuck, CT 06770         | 203-720-5282 |
| <b>New Britain</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | New Britain Adult Education, 183 Steele Street, New Britain, CT 06052     | 860-229-6106 |
| <b>New Haven*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | New Haven Adult Education, 580 Ella Grasso Blvd., New Haven, CT           | 203-432-0213 |
| <b>Newington</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Newington Adult Education, 605 Willard Avenue, Newington, CT 06111        | 860-667-5850 |
| <b>New London*</b> , Groton, Lyme, Montville, Old Lyme, Waterford                                                                                                                                                                                                 | New London Adult Education, Shaw's Cove Three, New London, CT 06320       | 860-437-2385 |
| <b>New Milford</b> , Bridgewater, Roxbury, Washington                                                                                                                                                                                                             | New Milford Adult Education, 388 Danbury Road, New Milford, CT 06776      | 860-350-6647 |
| <b>Norwich*</b> , Bozrah, East Lyme, Franklin, Ledyard, Lisbon, North Stonington, Preston, Salem, Sprague, Stonington, Voluntown                                                                                                                                  | Norwich Regional Adult Education, 191 Hickory Street, Norwich, CT 06360   | 860-882-4069 |
| <b>Plainville</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Plainville Adult Education, 47 Robert Holcomb Way, Plainville, CT 06062   | 860-793-3209 |
| <b>Shelton</b> , Ansonia, Derby, Monroe, Seymour                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Valley Regional Adult Education, 415 Howe Avenue, Shelton, CT 06484       | 203-924-6651 |
| <b>Simsbury</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Simsbury Continuing Education, 155 Firetown Rd, Simsbury, CT 06070        | 860-658-3870 |
| <b>Southington</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Southington Adult Education, 720 Pleasant Street, Southington, CT 06489   | 860-628-3229 |
| <b>Stamford</b> , Darien, New Canaan, Norwalk, Weston, Westport, Wilton                                                                                                                                                                                           | Stamford Adult & Continuing Education, 175 Atlantic Street, Stamford, CT  | 203 977-4209 |
| <b>Stratford</b> , Trumbull                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Stratford/Trumbull Adult Education, 150 Lincoln Street, Stratford, CT     | 203-385-4270 |
| <b>Vernon*</b> , Ashfield, Bolton, Colchester, Coventry, East Windsor, Ellington, Glastonbury, Griswold, Mansfield, South Windsor, Tolland, Wethersfield, Willington                                                                                              | Vernon Regional Adult Education, 70 Loveland Hill Road, Vernon, CT        | 860-870-6060 |
| <b>Wallingford</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Wallingford Adult Education, 37 Hall Avenue, Wallingford, CT 06492        | 203-294-3900 |
| <b>Waterbury*</b> , Beacon Falls, Prospect, Wolcott                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Waterbury Adult Education, 11 Draher Street                               | 203-574-8038 |
| <b>West Hartford</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | W. Hartford Adult Education, 50 South Main Street, Rd. West Hartford, CT  | 860-561-6900 |
| <b>West Haven</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | West Haven Adult Education, 1 McDonough Plaza, West Haven, CT 06516       | 203-937-4375 |
| <b>Windsor*</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Windsor Adult Education, 601 Matianuck Avenue, Windsor, CT 06095          | 203-937-4375 |
| <b>Windsor Locks</b> , East Granby                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Windsor Locks Adult Education, 58 South Elm Street, Windsor Locks, CT     | 860-292-5712 |
| Barkhamsted, Bethlehem, Canaan, Colebrook, Cornwall, Goshen, Hartland, Kent, Litchfield, Middlebury, Morris, New Hartford, Norfolk, North Canaan, Plymouth, Salisbury, Sharon, Sherman, Southbury, Thomaston, Torrington, Warren, Watertown, Winchester, Woodbury | Foothills* Adult & Continuing Education, 355 Goshen Road, Litchfield, CT  | 860-567-0863 |
| Andover, Brooklyn, Canterbury, Chaplin, Columbia, Eastford, Hampton, Hebron, Killingly, Lebanon, Marlborough, Plainfield, Pomfret, Putnam, Scotland, Stafford, Sterling, Thompson, Union, Windham, Woodstock                                                      | EASTCONN* Adult Programs, 376 Hartford Turnpike, Hampton, CT              | 860-567-0863 |

\* indicates an official GED® Test Site

Additional information can be found at the Connecticut Department of Education website:

<https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/Services/Adult-Education>