

NOTES

Community Resources

ADULT EDUCATION



*A starting point for finding resources
for adult education.*

**Service changes may have been affected due
to COVID 19. Please call 2-1-1, or contact
organizations by phone for service updates.**

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Kent
District
Library
kdl.org



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RESOURCES FOR ADULT EDUCATION

2-1-1 Heart of West Michigan United Way

hwmuw.org/211

Live chat: hwmuw.org/211-live-chat

Dial 2-1-1

United Way 2-1-1 connects people to thousands of services in Kent County. Whoever you are, whatever your needs, 2-1-1 makes it easy for you, a neighbor or a loved one to find help. Please note that 2-1-1 is an information and referral service and does not provide direct services or financial assistance.

Career Online High School

library.careeronlinehs.org

Earn a High School Diploma through your library. Career Online High School (COHS) offers adults the opportunity to earn their high school diploma. Gain the skills to advance your career or go on to college. To be eligible you must be a resident of Kent County and be 18 years or older. For any questions you may contact us at cchs@kdl.org or call us at (616) 784-2007.

As part of the program, you'll also earn a certificate in one of the following areas:

- General Career Preparation
- Office Management
- Child Care and Education (CDA)
- Home Care Professional
- Security Professional
- Food and Hospitality (CPFM)
- Commercial Driving (CDL)
- Hospitality and Leisure
- Retail Customer Service

Kent ISD Adult Education

kentisd.org

The Kent Intermediate School District offers adults 18 and older opportunities to pursue their GED, Technology Career Education, or develop their English language skills. Courses are offered in:

- English as a second language
- Basic education for adults
- High school equivalency
- Technical career education

Follow Kent ISD on Facebook for class listings and locations. Register in person anywhere.

Literacy Center of West Michigan

literacycenterwm.org

The West Michigan Literacy Center provides basic language and literacy instruction to adults, both native English speakers and non-native English speakers. Our programs reach students where they are by offering individual tutoring, classes, and family literacy opportunities at no cost to students. Call 616-459-5151 for more information or follow them on Facebook. Contact: 616-459-5151 or info@literacycenterwm.org

Sparta Adult Education

spartaschools.org/departments/adult-education

Sparta Adult Education offers the following free services in a classroom in many areas of Kent County for adults 18 years of age and older:

- Sparta High School Diploma
- GED (high school equivalency)
- English as a second language
- Basic education for adults
- Secondary education for adults
- Career coaching

Online registration; Classes are held throughout the year with open enrollment. Call 616-887-7321 for more information. Follow Sparta Adult Education on Facebook!

Rockford Adult Education

sprockfordschools.org/high-schools/adult-education

Rockford Adult Education offers adults 18 years of age and the following free services:

- Rockford High School Diploma
- GED Preparation
- Basic education for adults

Rockford Adult Education follows the regular schedule of the Rockford Public Schools. Register in person at the main office or contact Jennifer Thompson at 616-863-6325 ext. 5251.

Hispanic Center of Western Michigan

hispanic-center.org

The Western Michigan Hispanic Center, located at 1204 Grandville Ave SW Grand Rapids, MI 49503, offers GED courses in Spanish from the American Council on Education. Classes are offered in person at regular intervals throughout the year. Call 616-742-0200 for the schedule of upcoming classes. Follow the Western Michigan Hispanic Center on Facebook for more information on services and resources.

Reading Success Plus

readingsuccessplus.com

Success for people with difficulties and dyslexics, as well as tutoring in reading, writing and math for children and adults. Call 833-229-1112 or email info@readingsuccessplus.com for more information.

Refugee Education Center

refugeeeducationcenter.org

The Refugee Education Center is a Grand Rapids-based nonprofit that supports refugees on their journey to become full participants in the West Michigan community through a variety of programs including education and career programs for 0-3 and K-12 students and their parents.