

Programs

Adult Basic Education

This program is designed for students who function below the high school level based upon placement test scores. Instruction is developed by qualified instructors, using individual placement diagnostics that will help students meet their educational goals. Students must complete First Step class before enrolling to better determine needs.

First Step

The First Step class is required for all students enrolling in adult high school diploma or equivalency classes. The two-week class is packed with important information that will include placement testing, assessment of educational barriers, learning styles, and career interests. Students will be given one-on-one advising and take their first step in completing their secondary education.

Adult High School

The Adult High School program helps individuals earn a diploma by offering classes to students with 14 or more qualifying high school credits. After the First Step class, students meet with qualified instructors to complete the specific classes needed. Additional hours may be earned online.

High School Equivalency

An alternate path to a high school diploma is the high school equivalency (GED, HiSET). After completing First Step or upon movement in the program, students are placed with qualified instructors for math/science and reading/language/social studies classes to prepare for the official exams. Online classes are available for those who qualify.

Transitions Academy

The Transitions Academy provides adults who have mild intellectual disabilities with the opportunity to continue their education by increasing skills in math, reading, and technology. This program also uses hands-on learning in career exploration to prepare students for work and other post-secondary programs.

English as a Second Language

ESL classes provide non-native speakers with instruction in speaking, listening, reading, and writing to improve English language proficiency in community, social, educational, and employment settings. Class information will also include citizenship preparation.

Family Literacy

The Family Literacy program is for parents who require childcare while attending classes to complete their high school equivalency or enroll in English as a Second Language classes. This program is in partnership with Craven County Schools and located at James W. Smith Elementary, J.T. Barber Elementary, and Vanceboro Farm Life Elementary. It is tuition waived with childcare, transportation, breakfast, and lunch included. Students will also participate in parent/child classes as part of the program.

Digital Literacy

The Digital Literacy classes offer instruction from beginner to intermediate levels for those interested in gaining computer skills. Students will be able to earn credentials and badges through the NorthStar Digital Literacy curriculum while receiving hands on learning.