



# LOUDOUN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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EXPAND YOUR SKILLS, ENRICH YOUR LIFE DUCATION FOR PERSONAL AND ROFESSIONAL GROWTH

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Course information is subject to change.

Please visit our website frequently for updates: www.lcps.org/adulted



The Adult Education Office is located adjacent to North Star School:



### Adult Education Learning Center:

715 Childrens Center Road Leesburg, VA 20175
Entrance D3

### **North Star School:**

715 Childrens Center Road Leesburg, VA 20175 Entrance D3

### Park View High School (PVH):

400 West Laurel Ave. Sterling, VA 20164

### Rock Ridge High School (RRH):

43460 Loudoun Reserve Dr. Ashburn, VA 20148

### **Loudoun County High School (LCH):**

415 Dry Mill Rd SW Leesburg, VA 20175

### **Online Classes Available**

# SPRING 2024

Jan 1 New Year's Eve

Jan 15 Martin Luther King Jr.

Feb 9 Lunar New Year

Feb 19 President's Day

March 25-29 Spring Break

Apr 10 Eid al Fitr

May 27 Memorial Day

## SCHOOL CLOSINGS Inclement Weather Information

When Loudoun County Public Schools experience inclement weather conditions, the safety of our students and staff is the most important consideration. There will be no classes when LCPS schools are canceled. Classes will NOT meet when schools are closed for holidays (NOTE: Teacher workdays are not considered holidays).

Announcements will be made over the local radio & TV stations and the Adult Education website <a href="https://www.lcps.org/adulted">www.lcps.org/adulted</a>



### **ONLINE REGISTRATION PROCEDURES:**

Registration Link: www.lcps.org/adulted

Click on <u>online registration</u>. Please read the disclaimer and follow the link to the Adult Education Online Registration website. In order to register, you **MUST have a student account.** 

#### **English Learners/GED Preparatory Classes**

Registration information & instructions are located on our website, www.lcps.org/adulted, click on the English Learners and GED Prep Program.

Payments must be completed with a credit card online.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

#### **Registration for General Classes**

Courses are open to residents and non-residents alike (age 18 and older). Registration must be completed online. Students have to register before attending class. Registrations are processed in the order they are received and are not accepted after the start of the class.

#### **Senior Citizen Discounts**

There is a 25% discount in some courses for citizens 60 years old and over. In order to receive the discount, please send us an email and include your name and phone number at adult.educationelcps.org. <u>Discounts are NOT AVAILABLE on</u> English Learners, GED, Business & Career, Financial Awareness, Horticulture, Computer Technology & Software, or Trade & Industry classes.

#### **Tuition Fees**

Payment is due at the time of registration. Payments are by credit card.

#### Refunds

Full refunds are automatic if the class selected has been filled or canceled. Full refunds are also given if schedule changes are made by the Adult Education Office. To request a refund complete the Online Refund Request Form located on our website. Refund requests must be completed two business days before classes start.

REFUNDS are not given once classes start.

#### **Additional Fees**

Some classes may require additional fees that are paid the first class.

Please review the course descriptions regarding these fees.

#### **Non Discrimination Disclosure**

The LCPS Adult Education Office does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to adult students. If you have a disability and require accommodations in order to fully participate, please contact the Leave & Disability Programs office, 571-252-1690 or via email: LCPSLeaveDisability@ lcps.org to discuss your specific needs.

### General Education Development

**Preparatory Classes** 

Earning your GED® credential is just a click away!

In Person Classes:
Mondays & Wednesdays

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm 715 Childrens Center Rd Leesburg, VA 20175 Online Classes: Tuesdays

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Must have access to telephone, computer & Internet

Tuition: \$180.00 \$160 + \$20

Non-refundable processing fee

Payment is needed in full, prior to scheduling your placement test

Registration: Go to www.lcps.org/adulted Click on the GED Prep Program tab for details.

For special accommodations - please contact the Adult Education office.

Registration for GED Prep class is open from December 4 2023 to January 19 2024

Classes begin the week of January 29, 2024

We also provide **Workshops** throughout the year! Please check our website for upcoming dates.

Our General Education
Development Preparation classes
are designed to prepare adult
students for the GED® test.

Pearson VUE Authorized Test Center

We provide basic instruction to adults whose math and reading skills have been assessed at or below the GED® readiness level.
\*English language proficiency is required for all GED® preparatory classes

Ready to take the GED test?

All GED® tests are given at official Pearson VUE testing sites. Testing sites are located throughout Virginia and the US. Individuals may register for the official GED test in one of the following ways:

- Online: www.ged.com
- <u>Pearson VUE call center</u>: 1-877-392-6433

**LCPS Adult Education is a Pearson VUE Authorized Test Center (PVTC).** The center offers computer-based testing services on behalf of many certifying organizations. We follow the highest standards for testing and delivery. Our testing center environment is safe and secure.

- Visit the website: https://home.pearsonvue.com
- All appointments are scheduled online

### Adult High School

Tuition is \$300 per course. Must be payable at time of registration by either cash, check, or credit card.

Upon completion of coursework, students may obtain a transcript showing their diploma status. Diplomas are available to students in June.

(No senior discount available)

For students needing additional credits in order to complete their high school Standard Diploma requirements. Students should be 18 years old and not currently enrolled in a high school program.

Ongoing registration is open until Feb. 26, 2024. A transcript from the last school attended must be presented prior to registration. Classes begin on Sept. 5, 2024, and end on June 7, 2024. All coursework must be completed by June 1, 2024.

Classes are online and self-paced. Therefore, students must have internet access. Students must meet weekly with classroom teachers at Park View High School:

Math: Mondays, 6:30-8:30 p.m English: Wednesdays 6:30-8:30 p.m Social Studies: Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m Science: Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m

### English Learners (EL) Clases de inglés

Classes start the week of January 29, 2024.

Registration opens December 4 to January 12, 2024

(No senior discount available)

### English Learners (EL)

The Loudoun County Adult Education program offers classes for adults who desire to improve their English language skills. Classes range from basic to advanced levels. Instruction is given in reading, writing, listening, and speaking.

Students will meet twice per week for 13 weeks. Classes are offered in person and online. Seats are limited. Students MUST register and complete payment before taking a placement test.

#### Registration & Tuition - \$170

Registration starts on Dec. 4 through Jan. 12, 2024. Please visit the website, www.lcps.org/adulted, and click on the English Learners tab for registration information & instructions. The cost of EL classes is S170 for 13 weeks. This includes S150 for tuition and a S20 non-refundable registration fee

### **Class Locations**

Daytime Classes (9-11:30 a.m. or

11:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m.)

Specific time and days will depend on the placement test results.

Adult Education Learning Center: Leesburg

Evening Classes (6:30-9 p.m.)

- Adult Education Learning Center: Leesburg
- Park View High School: Sterling
- Rock Ridge High School: Ashburn

#### **Online**

- Daytime: Tuesday & Thursday (9-11:30 a.m.)
- Evening: Tuesday & Thursday (6:30-9 p.m.)

#### Required information:

- Current, non-expired picture ID
- Proof of current address
- Online payment (credit card)

If you experience difficulties with online registration, please contact our office. adult.education@lcps.org

The LCPS Adult Education Program does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to adult students. If you have a disability and require accommodation in order to fully participate, please contact office, the Leave & Disability Programs, 571-252-1690 or via email:

LCPSLeaveDisabilityelcps.org to discuss your specific needs.

### Clases de inglés (EL)

La educación para adultos del Condado de Loudoun ofrece clases para adultos que deseen aprender y mejorar su conocimiento del idioma inglés. Las clases van desde nivel básico hasta nivel avanzado. La instrucción incluye lectura, escritura, comprensión y expresión oral. Los estudiantes se reunirán dos veces por semana durante 13 semanas. Las clases se ofrecen en persona y en línea. El cupo es limitado. Todos los estudiantes DEBEN registrarse y completar el pago y tomar un examen de ubicación de nivel.

#### Registro y Matrícula - \$170

Las inscripciones comienzan el 4 de diciembre hasta el 12 de enero de 2024. Visite el sitio web, www.lcps.org/adulted, haga clic en la pestaña "Clases de inglés" para obtener información e instrucciones de inscripción. El costo de las clases de EL es de S170 por las 13 semanas. Esto incluye S150 de matrícula y S20 (no reembolsable) de tarifa de inscripción y examen de nivel.

### Localidad de las Clases

Clases Diurnas (9–11:30 a.m. ó 11:45 a.m.–2:15 p.m.) El día y la hora dependerá del resultado del examen de nivel.

Adult Education Learning Center: Leesburg

#### Clases Nocturnas (6:30–9 p.m.)

- Adult Education Learning Center: Leesburg
- Park View High School: Sterling
- Rock Ridge High School: Ashburn
- North Start School: Leesburg

#### Clases en Línea (online)

- Diurnas: martes & jueves (9-11:30 a.m.)
- Nocturnas: martes & jueves (6:30-9 p.m.)

#### Información requerida

- Identificación con foto vigente
- Comprobante de vivienda actual
- Pago en línea (Tarjeta de crédito)

Si tiene dificultades con el registro en línea, comuníquese con nuestra oficina. adult.education@lcps.org

El Programa de Educación para Adultos de LCPS no discrimina por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, discapacidad o edad en sus programas y actividades, y proporciona igual acceso a los estudiantes adultos. Si tiene una discapacidad y necesita acomodación para poder participar plenamente, comuníquese con al programa "Leave & Disability" al 571-252-1690 ó por correo electrónico a LCPSLeaveDisability@lcps.org para analizar sus necesidades específicas.

### Enhance Your English Language Skills

Students MUST test & register before attending classes.

Follow the EL registration instructions for these courses.

(No senior discount available)

### 2024S01: Advanced Conversation - \$150

Instructor: Buckman

For English learners who want to communicate at advanced levels. Advanced vocabulary and pronunciation are practiced through presentations on student-choice topics dealing with cultural and daily challenges. Listening comprehension and grammar will be achieved through awareness-building drills and pronunciation practice. Some homework given.

**Start Date**: 02/05/2024, 12 sessions

Days: Monday Time: 6:30-9 p.m.

Location: Park View High School

### 2024S03: English for Professional Purposes - \$150

Instructor: Nikoolkan

This course is intended for EL students who are approaching advanced levels of proficiency. This course will focus on understanding how to use English for professional purposes, including resumes, interviews, and meetings. We will investigate using Al technology to increase our English language usage. Students will be expected to investigate text on both concrete and abstract topics. Students will produce clear, detailed text on a wide range of subjects and explain viewpoints on a topical issue.

**Start Date**: 02/06/2024, 12 sessions

Days: Tuesday
Time: 6:30-9 p.m.
Location: Online

### 2024S02: EL Advanced Book Club: Reading, Writing, and Speaking - \$150

Instructor: TBD

Build your reading, speaking, and writing skills. Have fun building fluency with mysteries and classic science fiction! Students will learn about making predictions, understanding story structure, tracking themes, paragraph writing, public speaking, and debating.

Materials: And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie ISBN 10.0062073478/ISBN 13.978-0062073471 and Frankenstein by Mary Shelley ISBN 10.0486282112/13.978-0486282114

**Start Date**: 02/07/2024, 12 sessions

Days: Wednesday Time: 11:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m.

Location: Online

### 2024S04: Advanced Conversation & Listening - \$150

Instructor: Nikoolkan

For English learners who want to communicate at advanced/professional levels of proficiency. Students will practice conversation and listening across a wide range of subjects and situations. Students will practice everyday language using high-interest topics. The course focuses on listening skills, pronunciation, and conversation.

**Start Date**: 02/05/2024, 12 sessions

Days: Monday Time: 6:30-9 p.m. Location: Online

### 2024S05: Advanced Reading & Vocabulary - \$150

**LEARN ENGLISH** 

**Instructor**: Simpson

Students will develop their reading skills and increase vocabulary. This course will expand students' language base through group novel studies and interactive notebooks. Topics include reading comprehension, vocabulary development, enhanced language structure, discussion, and written responses to reading.

Materials include: single-subject notebook and paperback novel

Start Date: 2/9/2024, 12 sessions
Days: Friday
Time: 11:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m.
Location: Adult Education building

### 2024S06: Advanced Conversation - \$150

Instructor: Eveland

English language students will have the opportunity to practice and develop their conversational skills for daily communication in the community and workplace. Students will improve their conversational skills through listening, reading, writing, and speaking. The class will focus on topic-related vocabulary, articulation, and pronunciation.

**Start Date**: 2/7/2024, 12 sessions

Days: Wednesday Time: 9-11:30 a.m Location: Online

# 2024S38: Advanced Writing and Reading Comprehension - \$150

**Instructor**: Reynolds

Students will practice effective strategies that will enhance their reading comprehension and challenge their writing skills. By engaging with a wide variety of reading material, students will translate thought into increasingly sophisticated writing samples. Students will learn to apply writing and reading comprehension techniques that will strengthen their reading and writing habits.

**Start Date**: 2/08/2024, 12 sessions

Days: Thursday

Time:11:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m Location: Online

### Business & Career Clases en Español

(No senior discount available)

### 2024S07: Google como herramienta de productividad y mejora de negocios - \$70

Instructor: Medina

Las aplicaciones de Google nos permiten desde generar visibilidad de negocios hasta diseñar procesos de trabajo que mejoran la productividad y apoyan el rendimiento de nuestro trabajo. Con esta clase podrás - Valorar y conocer las potencialidades de esta herramienta digital, administrar los archivos de un negocio en Google drive, administrar archivos y compartir información.

**Start Date**: 02/22/2024, 4 sessions

Days: Thursday
Time: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Location: Adult Education building

### 2024S08: Google como herramienta de productividad y mejora de negocios II - \$70

Instructor: Medina

Una vez que se manejan las herramientas de trabajo de Google, es posible diseñar procesos de trabajo, compartiendo, asignando tareas y actualizando la información requerida para el mantenimiento de trabajo digital, descubrir lo que el mercado de ventas busca en Google, configurar una cuenta de Google business y diseñar formularios en línea.

**Start Date**: 04/04/2024, 4 sessions

Days: Thursday
Time: 9 a.m-12 p.m.

**Location**: Adult Education building



### 2024S09: Redes Sociales para pequeños negocios \$70

Instructor: Medina

Las redes sociales son en la actualidad uno de los medios principales para promoción y muestra de negocios y proyectos de trabajo, éstas funcionan como una vitrina de productos y servicios, sin embargo no es igual manejar el negocio que manejar sus redes sociales. Este curso reúne las principales herramientas estratégicas y técnicas para seleccionar, crear y planificar redes sociales, una cuenta de negocio propio o como medio de trabajo, con las características de marketing para diferentes mercados y también criterios propios de desarrollo de contenido, creado de forma particular o con un equipo de trabajo.

**Start Date**: 3/14/2024, 5 sessions

Days: Thursday ´Time: 6-8:00 p.m. Location: Online

### 2024S13: Voice Overs... Now Is Your Time! -\$50

Instructor: Kamp

In what could be the most enlightening webinar you've ever taken, our instructor and professional voice coach will show you how you can begin using your voice for commercials, films, videos, and more. Most people go about it the wrong way. In this introductory class, you will learn about a unique, outside the box way to break into this creative, fulfilling, and potentially lucrative industry. Voice-overs can be managed on your own terms, on your own turf, in your own time, and with minimal overhead!

**Start Date**: 2/20/2024, 1 session

Days: Tuesday Time: 6:30-8:30 pm. Location: Online

### 2024S14: Work from Home as a Virtual Assistant - \$50

Instructor: Hardy

Curious about a career as a home-based Virtual Assistant (VA)? Wondering if you should start your own VA business or work through a VA agency? Consider this session a crash course from a Virtual Assistant Coach and Mentor with over 22 years in the industry. We'll cover the pros and cons of starting your own practice versus signing with an agency, identifying and finding the types of clients you prefer to work with, exploring the most in-demand services of 2024, and designing an income-generating career that lasts!

**Start Date**: 5/14/2024, 1 session

Days: Tuesday Time: 6:30-9:00 p.m. Location: Online

### 2024S15: Human Resources Certification prep classes -\$625

**Instructor:** Swann

Get HR certified and advance your career! This 10-week instructor-led certification preparation course will get you ready to take the Associate Professional in Human Resources (aPHR) certification exam with confidence. The aPHR exam is designed to assess a candidate's understanding of HR from hiring to firing and all the other ways human resources professionals interact with employees. Internet access is required for online materials and to take online practice exams. **Seats are limited**.

Start Date: 2/6/2024, 10 sessions
Days: Tuesday
Time: 5:30-8:30 p.m.
Location: Online



### 2024S10: Small Business Bootcamp I - \$70

Instructor: Price

Have you thought about starting a side business? A small business can provide substantial income, a rewarding career, and financial freedom for future generations. This course will help you understand the basics of becoming an entrepreneur, the business process, creating an effective business model, as well as developing a business mission, vision, and goals. Topics include entrepreneurship, business planning, executive summary, financial planning, business funding, marketing, business registration, and team management. You also will receive additional resources and learn about the business registration process. This course is taught by an instructor that has many years of government and business development experience in Northern Virginia.

**Materials:** How Business Works: The Facts Visually Explained by Alexandra Black. ISBN:1465429794;

computer/laptop, notebook

**Start Date**: 2/8/2024, 4 sessions

Days: Thursday Time: 6:30- 9 p.m. Location: Online

### 2024S11: Small Business Bootcamp II - \$70

Instructor: Price

A small business can be a rewarding career and provide financial freedom for your family. This is a continuation course to Small Business Bootcamp I. This course will teach you how to improve your business model to increase sales. You will evaluate your business goals and complete or revise your current business plan. Additional topics include creating a budget, understanding social media marketing strategies, generating sales, the importance of business insurance, federal income taxes, networking, government contracting, and business registration. All students will receive a business development consultation. This course is taught by an instructor that has many years of government and business development experience in Northern Virginia. Guest speakers will provide insights to help students present final products.

Materials: Successful Business Plan; Secrets & Strategies by Rhonda Abrams, 6th ed. ISBN:1933895462,

computer/laptop, notebook

**Start Date**: 3/14/2024, 4 sessions

Days: Thursday
Time: 6:30- 9 p.m.
Location: Online

### 2024S12: Small Business Bootcamp III - \$70

**Instructor:** Price

Have you thought about starting a side business? A small business can provide substantial income, a rewarding career, and financial freedom for future generations. This is a continuation course to Small Business Bootcamp II. This course will help you write your business plan, which includes a financial plan, SWOT analysis, marketing plan, executive summary and a pitch deck. Topics include target market segmentation, business budgeting, profit and loss statements, funding sources, competitor analysis, marketing analysis, supplier process, overhead costs, product costs, social media marketing, website creation, and business contracts. Students will create a PowerPoint presentation for their final projects. All students will receive a business development consultation. This course is taught by an instructor who has many years of government and business development experience in Northern Virginia.

Materials: How Business Works: The Facts Visually Explained by Alexandra Black. ISBN:1465429794; computer/laptop, notebook

**Start Date**: 5/2/2024, 4 sessions

Days: Thursday Time: 6:30-9 p.m. Location: Online



# Computer Software and Technology

(No senior discount available)

### 2024S16: Computación básica para trabajos de oficina I -\$120

Instructor: Medina

Las habilidades computacionales, son imprescindibles para cualquier empleo o tarea de negocio, en la actualidad estas herramientas están accesibles en diferentes espacios a través de internet. En este curso se desarrollan las habilidades para administrar y acceder a trabajos de oficina con las herramientas y seguridad adecuada.

**Start Date**: 2/13/2024, 5 sessions

Days: Tuesday
Time: 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Location: Adult Education building

# 2024S39: Introduction to MS Word, Excel & PowerPoint - \$150

**Instructor:** Price

Introduction to Microsoft Word, Excel & PowerPoint will teach students how to operate basic functions and features of the software. Topics include menu and toolbar commands, shortcuts, creating and formatting documents, formatting spreadsheets, creating visual presentations, resumes, letters, formulas, pivot tables, and other business correspondence. This course will introduce Google Docs & Google Slides. Students also will learn how to design slide decks, animation, themes, and the slide master feature. This is an online course, and students will need to download the Google Meet app to join the class.

**Start Date**: 2/5/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Monday Time: 6:30-9 p.m. Location: Online

### 2024S17: Computación básica para trabajos de oficina II -\$120

Instructor: Medina

En este curso los alumnos desarrollarán habilidades básicas para el desempeño de labores de oficina a través de internet.

- 1. Comprender el significado de la computación en la nube informática
- 2. Comprender el entorno de OneDrive y Google Drive
- 3. Crear, editar y revisar informes, cartas, contratos y otros documentos formales en Microsoft Word online.
- 4. Crear hojas de cálculo y manejo básico de Microsoft Excel online
- 5. Crear presentaciones de PowerPoint online
- 6. Convertir documentos a PDF e identificar los diferentes formatos de archivos
- 7. Almacenar efectivamente en la nube los archivos y material importante creado en el trabajo diario

Start Date: 4/2/2024, 5 sessions

Days: Tuesday

Time: 9:00 a.m.-12 p.m.

Location: Adult Education building



### Music, Arts, Hobbies & Crafts

(No senior discount available)

2024S18: Music - \$150

Instructor: TBD

This course covers a wide spectrum of music theory, providing you with a solid foundation for your musical endeavors. Explore a variety of musical genres and styles from classical to contemporary, jazz to pop. You'll not only learn the intricacies of music but also develop an appreciation for its power to inspire, uplift, and create lasting memories.

**Start Date**: 2/6/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Tuesday Time: 9-11:30 a.m. Location: Online

2024S21: Introduction to

Knitting - \$140

Instructor: TBD

Learn knitting basics on straight needles and in the round. Learn how to read a pattern and select yarn. Not only will we have fun learning to craft together, but we will also explore how to get connected with the online fiber arts community! During this session, we will make fingerless mitts, a cowl, and, optionally, a scarf

**Materials needed:** 1 pair of straight knitting needles, 1 pair of circular knitting needles, 2 skeins of yarn (more if you opt to make a scarf).

**Start Date**: 2/8/2024 8 sessions

Days: Thursday

Time: 11:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m.

Location: Adult Education building

### 2024S19: Music Arts - Keyboard - \$170

Instructor: TBD

This course focuses on developing your keyboard technique from mastering scales and arpeggios to playing intricate melodies with finesse. Learn to read and interpret musical notation fluently. We cover everything from basic notes and rhythms to advanced sheet music. Understand how to use dynamics, articulation, and phrasing to infuse your music with emotion and captivate your audience.

Materials: keyboard

Start Date: 2/6/2024, 8 sessions

Days: Tuesday Time: 1-3:30 p.m. Location: Online

2024S20: Find Your Inner Creative - \$100

Instructor: TBD

Find your inner creative and learn valuable writing techniques to get over your fear of the blank page. This course will help you effortlessly create poems and short stories. Learn the skills of brainstorming, writing, editing, workshopping, and critiquing. Build your confidence, communication, and creativity! Requirements include knowledge and access to Google Drive and Docs.

**Start Date**: 2/6/2024 8 sessions

Days: Tuesday

Time: 11:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m.

Location: Online

### 2024S22: Pottery Wheel for Beginners - \$190

Instructor: TBD

This course focuses on foundational pottery- wheel techniques designed for beginners. It covers topics such as wedging, centering, coning, and the creation of small ceramic pieces like cups and bowls. The class also will cover shaping, attaching elements such as handles and decorations, scoring and slipping, smoothing and blending, as well as glazing and the firing processes. **Includes**: 25 pounds of clay and glazes

**Start Date**: 2/8/2024, 8 sessions

Days: Thursday Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Rock Ridge High School

### 2024S23:Beginning/ Intermediate Guitar - \$100

Instructor: Campayno

This course is for adults who have never played the instrument or have played in the past but want to develop their skills further. Course topics include chord development and memorization, strumming techniques, fingerpicking styles, song structure study, song memorization, songwriting, and guitar maintenance.

Materials: dependable acoustic guitar, tuner, extra picks and strings, and guitar capo

Start Date: 4/2/2024, 8 sessions

Days Tuesday Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Rock Ridge High School

### 2024S24: Intermediate/ Continuing Photography -\$150

Instructor: May

Refresh, improve, or continue to develop your ability to use your camera and take better photos. Improve skills in exposure control, composition, lighting, and special effects. Produce beautiful landscape, portrait, action and still-life images. Course includes lecture, demonstration, practice and outside assignments.

Materials: Understanding Exposure by Bryan Peterson ISBN-10:1607748509 ISBN-13:978-1607748502.

Students must have access to adjustable D-SLR camera with manual.

**Start Date**: 2/13/2024, 8 sessions

Days: Tuesday Time: 6:30-9 p.m. Location: Online

### 2024S25: Exploring Clay - \$190

Instructor: Mattraw

Embark on a creative journey as students craft functional pottery forms. This hands-on experience covers glazing, firing, and the exploration of the art of pottery. Unleash your artistic potential in this engaging course. **Includes**: 25 pounds of clay and glazes

**Start Date**: 2/28/2024, 8 sessions

Days: Wednesday Time: 6:30-9 p.m.

Location: North Star School

### 2024S26: Introduction to Photography - \$150

Instructor: May

For new, inexperienced camera users. New camera? Just tired of using Automatic? Want better photos? Learn the settings to get the right exposure, sharpness, composition & effects. Lecture, demonstrations, plus practice outside assignments to reinforce concepts. **Materials:** Understanding Exposure by Bryan Peterson: ISBN-10:1607748509 / ISBN-13:978-1607748502

**Start Date**: 2/21/2024, 8 sessions

Days: Wednesday Time: 6:30-9 p.m. Location: Online



### 2024S27: Painting with Acrylics 2-Concentration on Surface Design and Texture- \$150

Instructor: Disse-Garrison

You will use your knowledge from Intro to Acrylic Painting to concentrate on specific texture and surface-design techniques. Examples include folds in fabric, hair, fur, glass, bubbles, ocean waves, etc. Each week we will focus on a new item.

Materials: mixed media sketchbook 9 X 12 or larger, acrylic paints in various colors, brushes (variety-big, small, flat, round, fan), palette knife, a thickening medium if not using thick-bodied acrylic paints, a cup, palette, and paper towels

**Start Date**: 4/4/2024, 8 sessions

Days: Thursday Time: 6:30-9 p.m. Location: Online



### 2024S28: Taller de Cuento y Escritura Creativa - \$150

Instructor: TBD

El curso se centra en desarrollar habilidades en escritura creativa. Los temas incluyen: cómo escribir una historia corta, estructura y figuras retóricas. Además, el estudiante leerá cuentos de Mario Vargas Llosa, Gabriel García Márquez, Juan Rulfo, Augusto Monterroso, Pío Baroja, Emilia Pardo Bazán y los analizará. Al final del taller/clases, el estudiante comprenderá cómo escribir una historia corta de principio a fin.

**Start Date**:2/5/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Monday Time: 6-8:30 p.m. Location: Online

### 2024S33: Conversational Spanish - \$150

Instructor: Honores

This course focuses on developing speaking skills and perfecting the tone, cadence, and pronunciation of the Spanish language for use in everyday conversations. Students choose topics for study. The goal is to develop clear speech patterns that will increase confidence and communication.

**Materials**: Gente: A task-based approach to learning Spanish (Pearson Education) ISBN-

13:9780137617609

Start Date: 2/21/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Wednesday Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Location: Online



### 2024S29: Chinese (beginner) - \$150

Instructor: TBD

We use interactive teaching methods, incorporating stories, games, and real-life scenarios to make your learning experience enjoyable. Learn practical vocabulary and expressions to boost your confidence. Delve into the rich history, traditions, and modern culture of China. We have a learning plan that suits your needs. Our course focuses not only on grammar and vocabulary but also on cultivating practical communication skills, allowing you to navigate the Chinese-speaking world with ease.

**Start Date**: 2/8/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Thursday
Time: 9-11:30 a.m.

Location: Adult Education building

### 2024S32: Introduction to Spanish - \$150

Instructor: Ramirez

This course will develop basic Spanish language structure and vocabulary. During each class, you will listen, speak, read, and write. Your skills will be developed through varied approaches and techniques that are engaging and effective. You will learn how to have short basic conversations including how to tell people who you are, your occupation, where you are from, what you like and dislike, and so much more!

The instructor provides the curriculum and all materials.

Start Date: 2/6/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Tuesday Time: 6:30-9 p.m.

Location: Rock Ridge High School

### 2024S34: Introduction to Spanish - \$150

Instructor: Di Puorto

The course develops a foundation of vocabulary and grammar for new language learners. Students will practice writing, reading, listening, and speaking. This course is for beginner-level students who have no prior experience with Spanish.

Materials: Learn Spanish for Adult Beginners: 5 Books in 1 ISBN:979-8851014079

Start Date: 2/6/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Tuesday Time: 6-8 p.m. Location: Online

### 2024S31: Living and Working in Rome, Italy - \$75

Instructor: T. Brunelli

You have mastered basic Italian conversational skills and now plan to (fictitiously) live and work in Rome, Italy! This intermediate Italian conversation course reinforces the present tense through reading and conversational skills and uses the verbs avere (to have) and essere (to be) to talk about the past using the present perfect tense. Students will learn to use daily living and working conversations as they explore the various neighborhoods of the eternal city! Students will also use the future tense to announce their travel plans. Materials: Italian Made Simple: Revised and Updated by Cristina Mazzoni ISBN13:978-0767915397; 978-1522740834, notebook.

Start Date: 3/13/2024, 5 sessions

Days: Wednesday Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Location: Online



Instructor: T. Brunelli

The 2026 Winter Olympics will be coming to Italy! This introductory conversational Italian course provides those planning a trip to Italy the basics for traveling. You will also practice group exercises in cooking meals, serving them to guests, and meeting others at the dinner table. Would-be travelers will learn about the folklore and traditions of the twenty regions of Italy. This course emphasizes the present tense and language skills in chapters 1-10. Students will meet with the instructor to personalize their learning plan. **Materials:** Italian Made Simple by Christina Mazzoni, 2nd edition ISBN13:978-0767915397, notebook.

Start Date: 2/05/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Monday Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Location: Online



### Personal Improvement

(No senior discount available)

### 2024S36:Yoga Basics - \$120

Instructor: Di Puorto

This class is designed as an introduction to the practice of yoga. Class is slower paced than an all-levels class and focused on developing clear and safe alignment in foundational poses. We will focus on the shapes of the postures and alignment, breathing techniques, and the yoga language.

Materials: personal yoga mat (Optional Yoga

block/strap)

Start Date: 4/22/2024, 10 sessions

Days: Monday & Wednesday

Time: 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: Park View High School



### 2024S37: US Citizenship - \$60

Instructor: TBD

Are you applying to be a US citizen? This class will prepare you for the interview and exam with US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). Students will learn about American history, government, and geography. Students will also practice the skills needed to meet the requirements of the citizenship process.

**Materials:** US Citizenship Test Study Guide 2023 - 2024: Naturalization Exam Prep Book for all 100 USCIS Civics Questions and Answers: [4th Edition], ISBN-978-1-62845-956-2 and a notebook.

Start Date: 2/6/2024, 8 sessions

Days: Tuesday Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Location: Online & in-person at Rock Ridge High

School

Class will meet **in person** on 2/6, 2/20, 3/5, 3/19, and 4/2 at Rock Ridge High School **Online** classes are on 2/13, 2/27, and 3/12





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