

Instruction

Adult Continuing Education

The Board recognizes that education is a lifelong process. Therefore, the Board of Education shall establish and maintain a program of adult education classes. The adult education program shall be open to all residents 17 and over (17 and 18 year olds must be officially withdrawn from the Connecticut K-12 school system) and not attending any public or private elementary, middle or senior high school. A student who is under the age of 17 and a mother may attend adult education classes if her request is approved by the Board.

Classes shall be made available at fees to be established by the Board of Education. No tuition shall be charged for residents who enroll in adult classes leading up to high school completion or its equivalent, Americanization and United States citizenship and English for adults with limited English proficiency. Other courses, including adult literacy and/or parenting skills, may be given only when the number of interested adults is sufficient to form a class of proper size, and when a qualified teacher, adequate facilities and appropriate supervision can be made available.

A student enrolled in a District public school in a full-time program of study may enroll in an adult education activity for a once in a life-time limit of one credit provided the student receives the approval of the Principal of the school in which he/she is enrolled in a full-time program or such student is enrolled in an adult education activity as part of an alternative educational opportunity during a period of expulsion. The student is not withdrawn from the traditional school in this situation.

Through an adult services program, the district shall make available an adult education diploma through a minimum of one of three options: GED, Credit Diploma, or External Diploma. The Credit Diploma Program leads to a high school diploma to those adult education program participants who have satisfactorily completed a minimum of twenty (20) adult education credits, of which not fewer than four shall be in English; not fewer than three in mathematics; not fewer than three in social studies, including one in American history and at least one-half credit course in civics/American Government; not fewer than two in science; and not fewer than one in the arts or vocational education.

(cf. 5134 - Married/Pregnant Students)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

[10-67](#) Adult education-definitions (as amended by P.A. 03-100)

[10-69](#) (as amended by P.A. 03-100 and 10-73a Adult education and P.A. 11-126.)

[10-71](#) (as amended by P.A. 03-100) and 10-71a State grants for adult education programs.

[10-73b](#) Grants for adult education services of programs conforming to state plan.

[10-73c](#) Basic adult education programs.

P.A. 96-244 An Act Concerning Technical Revision to the Education Statutes.

P.A. 97-290 An Act Enhancing Choices and Opportunities

P.A. 03-102 An Act Concerning Adult Education and Workforce Development

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