



Adult Education Navigation Services



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English as a Second Language Classes:

Emily Griffith Technical College – Colorado Refugee English as a Second Language

720-423-4750

1860 Lincoln St, Denver

<http://www.emilygriffith.edu/colorado-refugee-english-school>

- Offers free English as a Second Language classes for individuals with refugee, asylum or ORR status for up to 5 years.
- Offers Pre-Academic and Community English (PACE) and Career Readiness ESL (CRESL)
 - Those seeking CRESL must be refugees and classes are free

Jeffco Public Schools – Adult ESL

303-982-7484 (English) | 303-982-5221 (Spanish)

AdultESL@jeffco.k12.co.us

https://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs/adult_education/adult_esl

- Sessions are 15-16 weeks in length
- Offered at four locations in Lakewood, Arvada, and virtually

The Learning Source

303-957-2838

<https://www.thelearningsource.org/>

- Offers free ESL and GED courses through the Metro area and some online
- See website for more details and locations

Asian Pacific Development Center

303-923-6320

1537 Alton St., Aurora 80010

<https://www.apdc.org/adult-education>

- Free ESL & Citizenship classes offered online and in-person
- Free childcare

Denver Public Library – New Americans Program

720-865-2362

<https://www.denverlibrary.org/services-immigrants>

- ESL and citizenship classes

UC Denver ESL Academy

303-315-2383

1100 Lawrence St. #014, Denver, CO 80204

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- ESL classes for current CU Denver students
- Integrates English learning into academic course work

Focus Points Family Resource Center – ESL Program

303-292-0770

2501 E. 48th Ave., Denver 80216

www.focuspoints.org (click on *Programs > Adult Education*)

- Classes held in several locations around Denver metro area
- ESL class cost: \$60/semester; students never turned away due to inability to pay

Spring Institute

947-622-2481 (call or text)

<https://springinstitute.org/adult-education/>

- Collaborates with other community providers in the metro area to provide ESL and GED preparation courses.
- Calendar of events available on website (both in-person and virtual available)

GED, Computers, Testing and Continuing Education

Jeffco Public Schools – Adult Education

303-982-7484 (English) | 303-982-5221 (Spanish)

https://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs/adult_education

- Offers adult basic education classes for those who wish to improve their reading, writing and math skills. This course is focused on pre-GED skills.
- GED testing is available at Arapahoe Community College, Community College of Denver, or Otero Junior College.

The Learning Source

303-922-4683

<https://www.thelearningsource.org/>

- Offers ESL and GED courses through the Metro area as well as online.

Asian Pacific Development Center

303-923-2920

1537 Alton St., Aurora 80010

<https://www.apdc.org/adult-education>

- ABE prep courses for GED
- Free childcare

Denver Public Library – New Americans Program

720-865-2362

Cultural Inclusivity Classes and Information: <https://www.denverlibrary.org/ci/index>

- ESL, citizenship, computer help, and more

Community Assistance Resources <https://www.denverlibrary.org/content/community-resources>

- Education, computer, health and more

Front Range Community College

(303) 678-3824

www.frontrange.edu/programs-and-courses/ged-testing

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- GED prep classes offered at Larimer and Boulder County campus and testing offered at the Westminster campus.

Colorado Department of Education

www.cde.state.co.us/postsecondary/ged

- HSE information

GED® (GED Testing Services a joint venture with Pearson and American Council on Education)

www.gedtestingservices.com

- All testing is scheduled through creating an account – individual testing sites do not make schedules any longer
- **HiSET - High School Equivalency Test®** (ETS is the publisher)
<http://hiset.ets.org>

Employment Navigation Center

303-271-4755

3500 Illinois St, Suite 1600, Golden, CO 80401

<https://www.jeffco.us/1773/Employment-Navigation-Center>

- Must be resident of Jefferson, Clear Creek, or Gilpin County
- Please see website for other services offered, including young adult employment services, veteran services
- Laptop lending program provides workshops, resources, and services

Center for Work Education and Employment (CWEE)

303-892-8444

1175 Osage St., Suite 300, Denver (80204)

www.cwee.org

- *For vulnerable workers, mostly single moms*
- Job readiness, digital literacy, HSE, Adult Basic Education and vocation training, soft skills training

Emily Griffith Technical College

720-423-4702

1860 Lincoln St, Denver (80203)

www.emilygriffith.edu (click on *Programs>High School Equivalency/GED*)

- GED preparation
- Cost: \$63.72-160.48 for 6 weeks of class/subject
- Ages 21 or older

Community College of Aurora

303-340-7797

9202 E. Severn Pl., Room 200, North Quad Building, Denver 80230

www.ccaurora.edu/center-workforce-development

- GED preparation, adult basic education, and ESL classes
- Contact: Rebecca 303-340-7040 (Rebecca.Pickett@ccaaurora.edu)

Community College of Denver- Foundational Skills Institute

303.352.6805

fsi@ccd.edu

800 Curtis St, Denver 80204 (Auraria Campus – Confluence, 4th floor)

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<https://www.ccd.edu>

- GED preparation and testing

Gathering Place

303-996-9035

1535 High St., Denver (80218)

www.tgpdenver.org/what-we-do/programs-services.html (choose *Forster Personal Growth*)

- *Women, transgender individuals and their children only*
- HSE preparation, job readiness, computer lab, and case management
- Supervised childcare available for children who are not school age.
- Contact Jobs and Education Program Manager: jobs@tgpdenver.org

McLain Community High School – Jeffco Public Schools

303-982-7462

https://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs/adult_education/mclain_adult_program

- Provides an alternative setting for adults to earn a high school diploma.
- Courses offered every 9 weeks.
- Must be 18 years or older at time of enrollment and have withdrawn from their last school at least 30 days prior to enrollment.
- *An official transcript from the last school attended must accompany the application

Jefferson County Public Library

303-235-5275

<http://jefferson.lib.co.us> (click on *Events> Technology Classes*)

- Locations throughout Jefferson County
- Free computer basics classes. Space is limited.

Job Corps

303-623-0420 ex. 227

www.jobcorps.gov

- Various sites
- HSE or high school diploma residential job training program
- Programs for single parents
- Career transition services upon graduation
- Open to youth 16-24 who are US citizens and meet the program's income requirement

Metro State University of Denver – Family Literacy Program

303-458-8063

4440 Navajo St., Quigg Newton Community Center, Denver 80211

<https://www.msudenver.edu/flp/>

- Provides adult education and training, ESL, early childhood education and parents as teachers programs

Metro State University of Denver – Veteran's Upward Bound

303-615-0044

Auraria Campus Downtown-Administration Building, Ste. 230, Denver 80204

www.msudenver.edu/veterans/

- *Serves veterans only*
- Contact: veterans@msudenver.edu

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Mountain Resource Center

303-838-7552

11030 Kitty Dr., Conifer 80433

<https://www.mrcco.org>

- Computer skills, job skills, financial education

Urban Peak Denver

303-974-2900

Shelter: 1630 S. Acoma, Denver

Drop in Center: 2100 Stout Street, Denver, CO 80205

<https://www.urbanpeak.org/services>

- Shelter services for youth age 15-20 only
- For youth 17-24 experiencing homelessness (i.e. no steady place to live)
- HSE preparation, job readiness training, job search and interview practice, money management

College/ College Prep**My Colorado Journey**

303-862-3001

<https://www.mycoloradojourney.com/journey>

- College in Colorado is a free service of the Colorado Department of Higher Education, providing Colorado's only comprehensive online Career and Postsecondary Planning tool, Individual Career Planning Portfolios and Pathways, Online Test Prep for ACT/SAT and GRE, Apprenticeship/College (Technical/2-year/4-year) and Scholarship Information. Students can do high school course planning and career exploration using this site as well as prepare for transition to post-secondary education.

Educational Opportunity Center:

303-352-8746

1111 W Colfax Ave, Cherry Creek Building Suite 137, Denver CO 80204

www.ccd.edu/org/educational-opportunity-center

- The center offers assistance with financial aid, including loans, scholarships and FAFSA. They also provide career and education planning, assistance with the college application process and support for youth who have dropped out of school and want to further their education. The building is wheelchair accessible.
- For adults ages 19 and older unless Educational Talent Search is not available in a young person's school

Minds Matter Coloradowww.mindsmatterco.org

- Students must be willing to make a three year commitment through 10th – 12th grades.
 - Meet almost every Monday evening for three hours from September through May
 - Apply and attend a residential summer program
- Benefits
 - Weekly mentoring
 - Paid tuition for summer programs
 - 40-50 hours of SAT prep
 - Individualized support applying to at least 6 colleges and 30 scholarships
- Eligibility

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- Student is in 9th grade with a 3.25 GPA or higher.
- Student must maintain a 3.25 GPA or higher while enrolled in Minds Matter (10th-12th grade)
- Qualify for free/reduced lunch
- How to Apply:
 - Complete an application online
 - Have a teacher fill out an online recommendation
 - Have a counselor or adult fill out the online nomination form
 - Have a parent or guardian fill out the parent/guardian application form

Financial Aid

Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA): www.fafsa.ed.gov

- Official website for applying for financial aid. Calculates your need.
- Once you have applied for aid here, FAFSA will send the results to your school(s) of choice. Then you can contact your school’s financial aid office to find out what loans and grants may be available to you.

FINAID!: <https://finaid.org>

- Info about types of financial aid available
- Scholarship and grant search engines
- Calculators and financial planning resources

The College Opportunity Fund: <https://cof.college-assist.org>

- Information about applying for this fund that pays a stipend for qualifying individuals attending undergraduate programs in CO.
- Info about types of financial aid available for all ages
- Scholarship and grant search engines

Student Loan Forgiveness

Total and Permanent Disability (TPD) Discharge

1-888-303-7818 (M-F 8 AM – 8 PM)

DisabilityInformation@Nelnet.net

<https://www.disabilitydischarge.com>

- Student loans may be forgiven in the following circumstances.
 - You are a veteran who has been determined by the VA to be unemployable due to a service connected disability, and you provide documentation from the VA of that determination
 - You have received an SSA notice of award for SSDI or SSI stating that your next scheduled disability review will be 5-7 years or more from the date of your last SSA disability determination, and you provide a copy of that SSA notice of award.
 - You provide a certification from a physician in Section 4 of this discharge application that you are unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that
 - Can be expected to result in death
 - Has lasted for a continuous period of not less than 60 months
 - Can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 60 months.
- Call number above or go online to apply.