

Come join us!

It's never too late to earn your high school diploma, take your GED, or learn English. Take the first step today by enrolling in the Wyoming Public Schools (WPS) Adult Education Program. Our exemplary educational program provides adolescent and adult learners with a second chance to strengthen their skills, and to open up new opportunities for higher education, job advancement, military placement, or more.

Admission and Eligibility

Adolescent Student Enrollment—WIA

Individuals 17 to 19 years of age or older, who do not have a high school diploma, may enroll in the morning, afternoon or evening adult education high school diploma or GED classes as part of the district WIA program. This program runs from Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 or 12:15 to 3:00 p.m.. Evening classes are also available Monday through Thursday 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.. This program is limited to students in the Godwin Heights, Kentwood and Wyoming Public School District's. Prior permission from the students home district is required for enrollment.

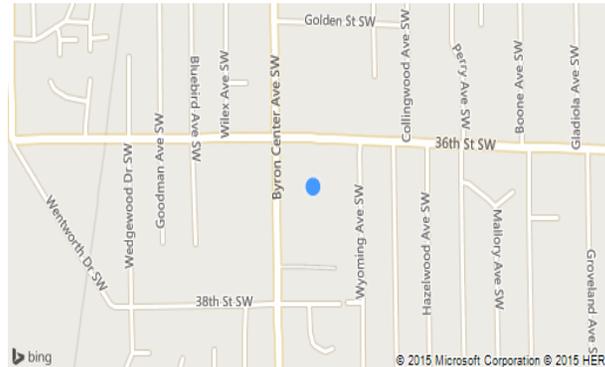
Adult Student Enrollment

Individuals 20 years or older, who do not have a high school diploma or that have a high school diploma from outside the United States, may enroll in the adult education high school diploma, GED, English as a Second Language (ESL) classes. This program runs from Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 or 12:15 to 3:00 p.m.. Evening classes are also available Monday through Thursday 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.. To enroll, contact the adult education site located at 3600 Byron Center Ave. For further information on classes, call (616) 530-7500.

Our Commitment

The Wyoming Public Schools (WPS) Adult Education Program is committed to providing comprehensive support that is responsive to the educational needs of the adult learner. Our goal is to provide each student with an educational program of excellence in a learner-centered, cohesive, and supportive environment. The success of the program is evidenced each year as many students earn an Adult High School Diploma, successfully pass the GED, or acquire English Language skills in order to continue on to become productive community members, workers, effective family members, and lifelong learners.

Our adult education staff is ready and eager to help you. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions in regard to the information provided in this brochure. It is never too late to achieve your educational goal. Welcome to the Wyoming Public Schools Adult Education Program! We look forward to serving you.



Oogie LaMar, Director

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WYOMING COMMUNITY EDUCATION



Adult Education

High School Completion

GED Preparation

**English as a Second Language
(ESL) Program**



"Together We're A Powerful Team"

Adult Education High School Diploma Requirements

Adults over the age of 25 are eligible to receive an Adult High School Diploma from the Wyoming Public Schools Community Education Program, students must earn a total of 16 credits. To be eligible for the adult education diploma, students must be within four credits of fulfilling diploma requirements. Credit earned for previously completed high school classes may be applied to the Adult High School Diploma.

Credit Requirements

- ☞ 3 English Credits, levels 1, 2, and 3 (English 9, 10, and 11) with a minimum score on testing at grade 9 prior to acquiring credits
- ☞ 2 Mathematic Credits, including Algebra and Geometry with a minimum score on testing at grade 9 prior to acquiring credits
- ☞ 2 Science Credits, including Biology and a Physical or Earth Science
- ☞ 3 Social Studies Credits, including World History, American History, Economics (1/2 credit), and Government/Civics (1/2 credit)
- ☞ 1 Technology Credit, minimally to include the Office Suite
- ☞ 1 Work experience/Job training credit (approval of adult education director)
- ☞ .5 Personal Finance Credit
- ☞ .5 Health Credit
- ☞ 3 elective credits in the four core subjects or other areas of interest, including:
 - additional credit for unpaid internship experience in an area that is not the current job (120+ hours)
 - additional 1/2 credit for each GED test passed
 - additional 1/2 credits for other course work completed through training, schooling, or other existing of 60+ hours

NOTE: For any student wishing to have a Merit Curriculum High School Diploma there are additional credit requirements, including English 12, Math, Physical Education, Chemistry or Physics, and an Applied Arts.

General Educational Development (GED)

The General Educational Development (GED) certificate is a great tool for not only improving your career, but also opening new doors to opportunity. By earning your GED, you are telling employers, colleges, and military recruiters of your dedication to succeed. Teachers help adult learners acquire the education that they may have previously missed or been denied. By covering four core subjects through lesson plans and teaching them in the classroom, a GED teacher helps students pass the GED exams.

Individuals who are younger than 18 years of age and have not been to regular school for one calendar year are eligible to obtain a GED. However, permission from your home district is required and additional paperwork must be filed with the State of Michigan's Office of Adult Education prior to testing. It is best to contact your local testing center and make sure you are following State approved GED guidelines.

The Official GED Test is completed at an approved GED Testing Center. The cost for the four series test is \$150.00 (\$37.50 for each section of the test). Wyoming Community Education students who meet our local testing requirements may be eligible for reduced testing fees.

English as a Second Language (ESL) Program

The philosophy of Wyoming Adult Education Language Center is to provide quality English Language instruction in a culturally rich and supportive environment: a variety of programs, professional teachers and staff, outstanding location and facilities, and a feeling of community. The ESL program offers comprehensive and intensive English programs for those who are serious about improving their English.

These classes will help beginning students through advanced level students to improve their English so they can be more successful in college, at work and in the community. Students are required to take a placement test before/during registration so they can be placed into the correct level. ESL classes are designed to help individuals in the community reach a wide variety of personal, professional and academic goals through the improvement of their English skills.