

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS - RSU26 ADULT EDUCATION

Adult learners may earn an RSU 26 Adult Education High School Diploma by completing the course requirements outlined below. No person will be awarded a high school diploma unless he/she has earned at least one (1) credit from this adult education program.

The course of study for adult students leading to a high school diploma includes a minimum of twenty (20) credits. For each credit, students will complete the equivalency of a minimum of forty-five (45) instructional hours. Of these twenty (20) credits, all students must complete the following core requirements:

English/Language Arts:	4 Credits
Mathematics:	2 Credits
Science:	2 Credits (Biology with Lab highly recommended)
Social Studies:	2 Credits (one must be from a US History class)
Fine Art:	1 Credit (may include art, music, forensics, or drama)
Electives:	9 Credits

In addition to these core requirement courses, students should demonstrate, through formal elective coursework, through assessment, or through out-of-school experiences that they have an understanding of the following skills before earning their adult education high school diploma:

Career Exploration
Personal Development (life skills and/or financial literacy)
(Digital) Computer Literacy

Students may earn credit from this program from previous high school academic work. An analysis of an applicant's high school transcript(s) will be completed by our program director to determine which credits, if any, from previous academic experience can be used to meet our graduation requirements.

The adult learner's individual program must be planned by the director and documented in an Individualized Learning Plan. Adult learner records must be maintained and will include the following:

- A written description of the learner's goals and objectives, and procedure by which the learner plans to attain his/her goals.
- Academic and assessment records including any previous transcripts;
- Documentation for credits received through work experiences, service learning competency testing and any other information pertaining to the awarding of credits.
- Advisory notes

Credits may be awarded to students from the following out-of-school experiences, with the approval of the program director only:

- Two (2) credits may be earned through enrollment in an approved correspondence school.
- Two (2) credits may be earned through enrollment in post-secondary courses.
- One (1) credit may be awarded for military service of at least two (2) consecutive years.
- One (1) credit may be awarded for two (2) consecutive years of work experience in one occupation. Homemaking/parenting experience may be substituted for paid work experience.
- One (1) credit may be earned through forty-five (45) hours of participation in a planned paid or volunteer supervised work experience activity.
- Two (2) credits may be earned through participation in an approved independent study course.
- One (1) credit may be earned Driver's Education and license acquisition (documentation required)
- Six (6) credits may be earned Industry recognized credential (documentation required) proportionate to the amount of requirements of the credential

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