

FAMILY LITERACY

The Adult and Family Education Literacy Center is designed to empower families by providing opportunities to increase adult literacy and improve parent's ability to support their children academically and developmentally while focusing on the child's parent as the first and most important teacher.

Our center provides:

- Parent and Child time to support children and parents learning together.
- Family engagement to engage families in all aspects of their children's academic lives and be advocates for better education.
- Opportunities for the adults to gain the knowledge to continue and advance in the workforce.
- A certified childcare facility with highly qualified workers and the highest rating from Qualistar rating of 4 stars.

The Literacy Center is a place for parents and children to learn together, strengthen bonds and create families that are empowered to achieve their goals.

EL PASO COUNTY RESOURCE CTR

The El Paso Family Resource Center is one of 24 statewide family resource centers that provide public advocacy, capacity-building and resources to strengthen families and help them raise healthy children.

The EPCFRC partners with families as they become more self-reliant in the key area of family stability, parenting, health, education, employment, and housing.

We are a certified application site for Medicaid and CHP+, food assistance, and TANF.

We offer:

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| Adult Exercise Classes | Cooking Matters (nutritional education) |
| Youth Exercise Classes | Child Car Safety Check |
| Love and Logic Classes | |
| Parents as Teachers (PAT) Home Visitation Program | |

We are the only PAT site in El Paso County serving more than 45 children and 35 families.



Adult & Family Education



**Adult & Family Education
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<http://adulthood.d11.org/Pages/default.aspx>

OFFERINGS

- ✚ ESL and Workplace ESL
- ✚ ABE/ASE
- ✚ Family Literacy
- ✚ GED Testing Center
- ✚ El Paso County Family Resource Center
- ✚ Workforce Readiness
- ✚ College Success Course

GENERAL INFORMATION

The mission of Adult and Family Education is to provide quality educational experiences that equip all students for success as parents, citizens, and workers. For students age 17 and over, Adult & Family Education offers Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary Education (often known as GED Preparation), and English language classes for non-native speakers of English. Adult education students who live within District 11 boundaries have the option to participate in the Family Literacy program where they bring their children, ages 6 weeks through 5th grade, to school with them. While parents attend adult education classes, the children receive age appropriate literacy instruction.

Group instruction is provided in classes of no more than 20 students and classes have dedicated time in the computer lab each week. Adult and Family education teachers are required to have a Colorado Teaching License and the Adult Basic Education Authorization (ABEA).

After completion of our program, we work to help students enroll in community colleges, improve their employment, or enter into other vocational/technical programs to continue their education.

Many of our students report they have been able to get better jobs, promotions, certificates, and degrees after graduating from their Adult and Family Education classes.

GED TESTING CENTER

Pearson Vue GED Testing Center
2115 Afton Way
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80909
(719) 328-3030
Room 260B – 2nd Floor inside the Library/Media Center

To schedule your test, go to www.ged.com and create a MyGED login. You must have a valid official picture ID (driver's license, military ID, State ID).

ESL AND WORKPLACE ESL

Our **English as a Second Language** classes are focused on helping non-native English speaking adults improve their reading, writing, speaking, and listening comprehension skills in order to integrate into the local community and their places of employment.

Students in our ESL program speak over 15 different languages. We use English language immersion techniques to teach life and work skills. With so many languages and cultures represented, our English classes offer a rich English-based learning environment where students can gain confidence and skills.



Workplace ESL is a series of two courses designed for intermediate and advanced ESL students wanting to improve communication skills for work and employment purposes. Students learn to:

- Read/fill out forms and applications
- Communicate with supervisors and co-workers
- Understand safety and emergency rules
- Navigate American work culture

Workplace ESL is a collaboration between Adult and Family Education and the Pikes Peak Community College Workforce Development Division.

WORKFORCE READINESS

The Pikes Peak Workforce Center has a staff member on-site once a week. Students can attend workshops and eligible students are able to enroll in workforce programs. Workforce Center staff assists students in finding jobs, planning or continuing their education, or planning their career.

ABE/ASE

Our **Adult Basic** and **Adult Secondary Education** classes are designed to help students improve skills in language arts and mathematics to reach educational and post-secondary goals of obtaining a GED, passing the Accuplacer, improving job opportunities, or entering a college, trade school or certificate program.

Students may select a Language Arts or Math course, or both. Classes are leveled by skills needed to increase literacy, reading, or mathematics for each student. Science and Social Studies content are incorporated into the classes. These face-to-face classes with a certified teacher combine classroom instruction with computer-based exercises tailored to the student.

COLLEGE SUCCESS COURSE

This 6 week series of workshops guides students in the steps beyond a GED or Accuplacer and into college, technical or trade school, or certificate programs.

Curriculum priorities:

- Discussion of career goals and options, resources to support future educational goals, and how to access them.
- Support in the application processes for financial assistance, coursework, degree and non-degree programs.
- Tour a college campus.
- Tips for successful navigation of the post-secondary education system.
- Individualized guidance and support, as well as a certificate of completion.

Students under age 21 may dual-enroll in School District 11 Career Pathways classes.

A Pikes Peak Community College Career Pathways coordinator is on-site once a week to support all students interested in furthering their education through college or workforce training.