

**Adult Education
Program**

Adult education shall have the meaning defined in 40 TAC 805.2(1): "Programs, activities, and services that include adult education, literacy, workplace adult education and literacy activities, family literacy activities, English language acquisition activities, integrated English literacy and civics education, workforce preparation activities, or integrated education and training."

The District shall provide an adult education program designed to meet the education and training needs of adults to the extent possible using available public and private resources. Bilingual education shall be used to instruct students who do not function satisfactorily in English whenever it is appropriate for those students' optimum development.

Based on the needs of the community and the available resources, the District may decide to enter into a partnership or collaboration with another educational entity to provide adult and/or community education services.

An adult and continuing education program shall be designed primarily to meet the language, academic, vocational, recreational, and/or other additional needs and interests of adults and out-of-school youth of the District.

Adult basic education courses shall be offered under this program for the benefit of those persons of the community who have not finished high school and who wish to prepare themselves for the GED tests.

The adult education program shall be operated on a self-sustaining basis and shall be designed for the residents of the District and/or residents of the partnership or collaboration entity, if applicable. Indirect costs such as overhead shall be considered in the cost of each program offered. District residents shall have access to adult and community education services provided by a District partnership.

The Board endorses any program of adult education that benefits the community as a whole and that can be operated without jeopardizing the regular educational program for the students.

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for developing plans and procedures to implement this policy.