

Downey Unified School District

INSTRUCTION (Adult)

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Eligibility

Anyone 18 years or older or any high school graduate may attend the Downey Adult School. A student shall be deemed to be 18 years old if his/her 18th birthday occurs before the last day of the quarter in which he/she seeks enrollment.

Persons under 18 years of age may attend adult school if they are approved to do so by the adult school principal or designee.

Elementary and secondary school students may also attend adult school with these provisions:

1. Attendance for credit will be permitted only with prior approval by the principal or designee of the home school.
2. Adult classes may not interfere with student's daily attendance.
3. Student's attendance does not deny attendance by an adult who resides in the Downey Unified School District.
4. The majority of students in the program must be adults.

There are no residence requirements stipulated for attendance in adult education classes; however, residents of the District have first priority when enrollment is limited.

Curriculum

1. General course objectives shall be as follows:
 - a. Opportunity to obtain basic education skills or a high school diploma.
 - b. Preparation for citizenship.
 - c. Vocational guidance and training.
 - d. Creation of an awareness in and understanding of civic, public, and international affairs.

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- e. Better understanding of and preparation for home, family life, and parent education.
 - f. Health and physical fitness.
 - g. Instruction in the sciences and the fine arts.
 - h. Opportunity for self expression and creativeness.
 - i. Instruction in home management.
2. State Department of Education Approval

All classes for adults shall be maintained in conformity with the law and the requirements stipulated by the education and administrative codes. They must be approved yearly by the State Department of Education Field Services unit and must have an educational purpose and be included in defined areas of study to be eligible for State apportionment.

3. Areas of Study

- a. Classes may be established in the following areas, subject to the approval of the Board of Education:
 - (1) Elementary Basic Skills
 - (2) High School Basic Skills (equivalent to grades 9-12 and GED preparation)
 - (3) English as a Second Language
 - (4) Citizenship
 - (5) Substantially Handicapped
 - (6) Vocational Programs
 - (7) Apprenticeship
 - (8) Parent Education
 - (9) Programs for Older Adults
 - (10) Health and Safety Education
 - (11) Home Economics Education
 - (12) Community Education (Non-Funded)

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3. Areas of Study - continued
 - b. Curricula or sequential courses of study may be established as needed, subject to approval of the Board of Education

Establishment and Maintenance of Courses

Courses approved by the Board of Education for State apportionment may be established, provided 12 or more enrollees complete enrollment forms and pay the required fees, if any.

Classes with an average attendance of less than 14 may be discontinued unless the course is a requirement for a high school diploma and is not offered in the Academic Skills Center or is totally supported by fees.

Any exception to these rules is subject to approval by the Board of Education.

Maximum class size shall be determined by available facilities and/or type of subject taught.