



Why is it important to complete high school and gain additional Education?

According to research:

- Graduating from high school will determine how well you live for the next 50 years of your life. On average, those with a diploma earn \$746 a week. Getting a Bachelor's degree increases average earnings to \$32,000 a year.
- 24.7% of people without a high school diploma live in poverty.
- High school graduates are more likely to live in a low crime rate neighborhood and less likely to have trouble with the law. The National Dropout Prevention Center states that 80% of prisoners in the U.S. are high school dropouts.
- In 2020, 66% of jobs required a post-secondary education.

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Pathways to Success High School: 734/997-1237
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Dexter Alternative Education:
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koenigk@dexterschools.org or
www.dexterschools.org

Milan: 734/439-5272 coxc@milanareaschools.org
or www.milanareaschools.org/community

Saline Alternative: 734/401-4040
melcherc@salineschools.org

Ypsilanti Achieving Career and College
Education (ACCE) Program 734/221-1691
www.ycschools.us/our-schools/high-school/acce/

Ypsilanti Township: 734/677-5006
mwarunek@wccnet.edu or adulttransitions@wccnet.edu

Washtenaw Alliance for
Virtual Education: 734/761-7027
www.wavewashtenaw.org

Washtenaw Community College
GED & ESL Adult Transitions 734/677-5006
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Literacy Support Agencies:

Washtenaw Literacy 734/879-3120
info@washtenawliteracy.org or washtenawliteracy.org

Jewish Family Services 734/769-0209
info@jfsannarbor.org or www.jfsannarbor.org

GED and Education Opportunities with Michigan Works

Michigan Works will help clients wishing to complete a GED
734/714-9814
www.mwse.org (search for Michigan Works) or mwseae.weebly.com

CONTACTS AND LITERACY SUPPORT AGENCIES

High School Completion Programs

Ann Arbor Public Schools - Students can choose to attend class with certified instructors either in-person or on online. Eligible students need to be at least 16-years of age by July 1 and need 21 credits to graduate. Class times are held Monday through Wednesday in the early afternoon. Students are asked to have approximately 15 previously earned credits before enrolling. Variety of class time options are available at Pathways to Success Academic Campus, 2800 Stone School Rd., Ann Arbor.

- **Adult education is available to anyone in Washtenaw County as long as you meet the age requirement. ESL classes also available.**

Contact: Beth Carlson at carlsonb@aaps.k12.mi.us or 734-997-1250

Dexter Alternative Program - Offers a small learning environment in the Copeland Administration Building, 7714 Ann Arbor St. Students are referred to the program and will receive academic instruction through Edgenuity (E2020). Students must be referred through their counselor at Dexter High School. 734-424-4240

Milan High School Diploma Program* - Students who are 16-years old by July 1 of the enrolling year are eligible to enroll in this diploma program. Students can earn a half credit per class with a total of 21 credits required. This program is available to anyone in the community

as long as they meet the age requirement. The program meets twice a week at Milan Middle School, 920 North St., Milan.

- **Adult Education also available to students 20+**
* **Tuition may apply**

Saline Alternative High School - Students must be referred through their counselor at Saline High School. 7265 Saline-Ann Arbor Road, Saline, MI 48176/734/401-4040
www.salineschools.org/schools/saline-alternative-igh-school.

Ypsilanti Achieving Career and College Education (ACCE) Program Students must be referred through their counselor at Ypsilanti Community High School. 1076 Ecorse Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48198 / 734/221-1691
www.ycschools.us/our-schools/high-school/acce/

Washtenaw Alliance for Virtual Education (WAVE) - A consortium program that is designed to engage students while meeting academic state standards. Students are prepared to further their education and careers, with a focus on wrap-around supports. Students must be a high school student in a Washtenaw County school under the age of 21 years old. Offices: 301 W. Michigan Ave., Suite 201, Ypsilanti. www.wavewashtenaw.org / 734-761-7027

General Equivalency Diploma (GED) Programs

To register, you must be at least 16 years old by July 1 of the enrolling year.

Ann Arbor Public Schools - Free GED preparation classes are offered in two locations in Ann Arbor (although you do not need to be a resident of Ann Arbor to enroll), 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Mondays at Malletts Creek Library, 3090 E. Eisenhower Parkway and Mondays and Wednesdays 6-9 p.m. at Pathways to Success Campus, 2800 Stone School Rd., Room 210. Satellite classes are also offered at the Chelsea District Library, 2215 Main St. and the Dexter District Library, 3255 Alpine St.

Ypsilanti locations:

- Parkridge Community Center: In-person Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- Christian Love Fellowship Church: In-person and virtual on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:00-6:00 p.m. with childcare provided.
- Mosaic part of Our House for current or former foster youth: In-person and virtual on Thursdays from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

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Ypsilanti Township -In partnership with WCC, Lincoln and Ypsilanti areas offer the GED Pathways program, Adult Basic Education, and

ESL for students ages 18 and older. A combination of direct student instruction, computer-based strategies, and counseling support are available. Classes meet Monday through Thursday at the Ypsilanti Township Community Center, 2025 E. Clark Rd. (on the bus line)

Washtenaw Community College (WCC) - Offers GED Plus, helping students 16 years and older to complete their high school equivalency and providing guidance for a career path. A blend of career and GED classes, this program offers an array of support services including counseling, tutoring, and job readiness assistance. The program focuses on key skills needed for college readiness and career performance. There is a \$30** fee per semester. Student Center Building, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. Ann Arbor and at the Harriet Street Center in Ypsilanti.

****Scholarships available**

Integrated Education and Training (IET) Program

A hands-on learning experience on WCC's campus. Students learn to build academic skills, develop a career path, and receive added support while learning skills to prepare for the Microsoft Office Specialist Certification (MOS). Preparing for the MOS gives students basic computer skills to succeed as a college student and in the workplace. Individuals working on a GED or who have a high school diploma are encouraged to participate. All applicants must attend a mandatory orientation. Cost is \$30. Call to register for the orientation: 734/677-5006.