

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear DLC Community,

We are very excited to begin a new academic year, welcome new learners, and see old friends again. In preparation for this year, we updated some of our procedures and programming to better serve our learners. We also prepared for the move by working with the builders to design our new space, packing what we could in boxes, and removing most of our wall decorations. Please excuse our mess as we continue to prepare for our move.

We're delighted to share the news that we are on the verge of launching a brand-new website. Our current platform is approaching the end of its support, and as a result, we have been diligently working on a significant upgrade that will be ready to go live next month.

One of the most exciting features of this upgrade is the capability to translate each and every page of our website into almost any language with just a single click. This enhancement is designed to better serve the diverse needs of our ESL learners! Rest assured, you can continue to reach us at the same web address, [domlearningcenter.org](http://domlearningcenter.org). We look forward to providing an even more accessible and user-friendly experience for all our visitors.

We also anticipate expanding our citizenship resources with a class that we hope to begin in November. This class will be offered on Saturdays at our office. Please contact Adriana at 614-444-7330 x106 or [Adriana.Johnson@oppeace.org](mailto:Adriana.Johnson@oppeace.org) in October. We will add specific details to our website once we have more information.

Thank you so much for all your hard work as learners, tutors and teachers. We are making a difference in the lives of one another and the Columbus community for generations to come!

Peace and Blessings to you all!

Denise

### OUR BIG MOVE IS SCHEDULED FOR MID-OCTOBER!!!

Our move date to Saint Mary's parish campus has been changed to mid-October. We have had some large unexpected expenses and hope to make up much of this through community donations. We now have **two** great ways to help below!

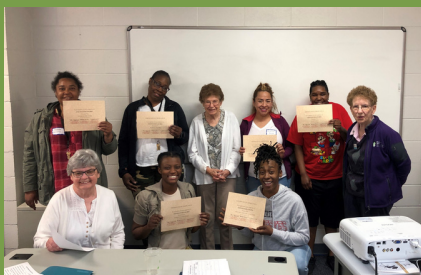
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### GED SUCCESS ORIENTATION CLASSES ARE BEGINNING



We just began our first GED Success Orientation Class of the year. These sessions are offered throughout the academic year for new learners. After this five-session orientation learners are matched with a dedicated volunteer tutor. Please visit the [GED page of our website](#) for more information.



### REGISTRATION AND TESTING FOR NEW ESL LEARNERS

Registration and testing for new ESL learners began for our one-to-one program and at our eight parish site locations. Please visit the [ESL page of our website](#) for more information.





# CELEBRATING OUR LEARNERS



We are thrilled with the successes of our learners and very blessed to have such dedicated tutors to help them achieve their goals and improve their lives through education!

## Congratulations to you all!



ESL learner **Estrella** reached her goal set in January. Congratulations Estrella on getting your Ohio driver's license!



GED learner **Daniola** has moved up to the GED Prep book in her math studies with her tutor Dave. This is the final preparation for taking the GED exam in Math. It is always such a pleasure to see them when they meet at the center; they are always working so diligently!

### Linda went up a level in both Math and Language arts!

Linda's Math tutor Greg says "Linda continues to make strong progress in her journey to obtain her GED. She's a hard worker, even asking for extra homework to practice her math skills! She maintains a positive attitude and is persistent in her pursuit of her degree. Like many of our learners, Linda sees life's daily problems as challenges to be overcome and not as barriers that prevent her from reaching her goal."



Linda's Language Arts tutor, Sister Mary Deane says "Linda is an excellent learner who aspires to get her GED "no matter what". She is a devoted grandma and is active daily in the lives of her grandchildren. In addition to being a good example to her family, she hopes to gain meaningful employment. You got this Linda!"

Math tutor Greg, Linda, and Language Arts tutor Sister Mary Deane



ESL learner **Casimir** has been working with his tutor since February and has already advanced a book level and set and achieved several goals! His tutor, Ursula came in to get their books and says she is just overjoyed with his progress! She also wrote to us and said "He has been very diligent in attending our tutoring sessions every week and studying on his own. He learned to use the library and checks out books to study grammar and improve his vocabulary. In the last few months, he has acquired his Ohio driver's license, moved to a new apartment, and moved on to book 2 in his English studies. He now communicates in English with his supervisor at work. His goal is to attend nursing school. He is exploring how to enroll in the next few months. Casimir puts in the hard work of learning a new language and his progress should move forward."



Congratulations to brothers **Davyd** and **Maksym** who moved up a level in their ESL tutoring. They came to the United States from Ukraine late last year with their families. They are fortunate to have one of their sponsors, Dominique, as a tutor.



## NEW SPANISH GED SESSION BEGINNING SOON!

After our move in October, our popular Spanish GED course will be accepting new learners. Classes meet on Saturday mornings at our office. Come join us to learn and support one another in this journey!

Classes and GED exams are in Spanish. Please visit the Spanish GED page of our website for more information.



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### WE NEED TUTORS!



If you know anyone who might be interested in becoming a tutor, please send them our way! The first tutor training of the academic year for new tutors will be Saturday, September 30th from 9 am - 1 pm. Please visit our [website](#) for more information or call Annette at 614-444-7330 x2.

### ESL TEACHERS ARE NEEDED AT CHRIST THE KING (BISHOP GRIFFIN CENTER)



We are in need of ESL teachers for ongoing classes at Christ the King (now at the new Bishop Griffin Center next door). If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Adriana Johnson at 614-444-7330 x106 or [Adriana.Johnson@oppeace.org](mailto:Adriana.Johnson@oppeace.org) right away.

#### Goals

GOAL 1: Pass the next unit test

#### Steps:

1. Attend each week
2. Study after work for one hour at 6pm on Mondays and Wednesdays

2. GOAL 2:

#### Steps:

- 1.



## It's time to set your goals!

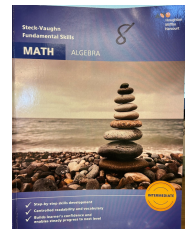
This is a great time to review your goals to see how far you have come over the past year or so and then to re-set your goals for the next few months or year. We need goals no matter where we are in life!

It is best to break your big goals down into smaller steps that are more manageable. Try to be specific when you create these steps. You WILL get there one step at a time! (For your convenience, a goal sheet is attached to the newsletter email.)



**Do you have this book and don't need it anymore?**

**We can use it!**



### ATTENTION TUTORS: ZOOM WITH US AND OTHER TUTORS!

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other tutors and share ideas and strategies with them. Meetings will be:

-GED Language Arts – 2nd Thursday of the month (9/14) at noon

-GED Math – 2nd Monday of the month (9/11) at noon

-All tutors (ESL & GED) – CANCELLED (See you next month! Please call with any questions) See the tutor newsletter email for Zoom meeting ID's and Passcodes – These will change each month.



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