

The Dominican Learning Center improves the lives of adult learners through education.

October 2022



Dear DLC community,

We are back in full swing here at the DLC and happy to welcome fall! This time of the year brings a feeling of nostalgia for many of us since it is the start of a new school year and all that comes with the possibility of meeting new people and coming back together with others. We are also anticipating all the changes that will occur in our lives as we learn throughout the year.

We are excited to have lots of new programs beginning so we can expand the resources available to our learners. We are resuming our Citizenship Class and opening our Science Class to more learners (see below for more information). Our GED Success class now has one full class day devoted to teaching computer skills and helping the learners become more familiar with the Aztec computer program that our GED learners can use to supplement their book learning. Thank you to tutor, Ken, for leading that session! If you are a GED tutor and wish to become more familiar with Aztec yourself so you can use it with your learner or to assign homework, please contact Sister Mary Riley at Mary.Riley@oppeace.org. Finally, we are excited to be hosting our Culture Forums at The Martin de Porres Center. This will be a great opportunity to get to know some of the other members of the DLC community. Please watch your email for more information and a chance to RSVP.

Programs starting this month:

Citizenship Class

We will be starting a citizenship class in Mid-October. It will take place either Monday or Tuesday afternoons or evenings depending on when most interested students are available. Please call the instructor, Chris Reale at 614-920-4494 or email him at christopher51reale@gmail.com

Culture Forums

at The Martin de Porres Center

[2330 Airport Drive, Columbus, OH 43219](#)

7:00pm-8:30pm

Wednesday, October 12th

Wednesday, October 26th

Wednesday, November 9th



Science Class



For GED Learners

We are pleased to announce that enrollment is open for our Tuesday evening science class. The first class for the new unit will be November 1st. We have a great instructor who is a retired science teacher! If you are interested in joining, it's best to email the instructor, Sue at slongenb@gmail.com but you can also call her at 614-306-0636

We need more tutors!

Our next tutor training is Saturday, October 12th from 9am-12:30pm

We are getting more learners all the time and need more tutors to be matched with them. If you know anyone who might be a good fit as an ESL or GED tutor (Math or Language Arts), please have them contact Annette Cohn at (614)444-7330x2 or Annette.Cohn@oppeace.org for more information on this rewarding opportunity.

ESL Parish Sites: Our ESL Sites are up and running! We added a new site at St. Matthias Church on Ferris Road at Karl in the north end of Columbus. We now have six parish sites throughout the greater Columbus area and the number of learners we are serving are growing. Registration is now closed for these locations, but we offer another opportunity to register at the various parish sites again in January. **We also would like to have more tutors for the ESL classes at Christ the King if anyone is interested. Please contact Adriana at Adriana.Johnson@oppeace.org or 614-444-7330x106.**

GED Success Course: Our GED Success Course had 6 graduates for September! They have been matched and will begin working with their tutors very soon. **If you know of anyone who wants to get their GED but feels they need some extra help to get there, we still have some room in our orientation class beginning October 5th.**



Our first GED Success Course graduates of the 2022-23 school year! Congratulations to you all! Please don't hesitate to call the office if you have any questions about the process of getting your GED as you work with your tutor.

Note: The DLC will be OPEN on Monday, October 10th (the Columbus Day holiday)

If you are on Facebook, please like and follow our page so you can stay up to date on all the great things we have going on. Eventually we will be more active on other social media sites as well.

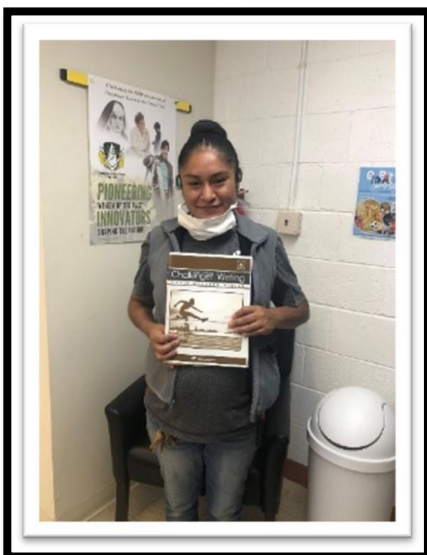
Congratulations to our September attendance and Aztec winners!

Attendance (GED) - Fothern
Attendance (Spanish GED) – Baudelia
Aztec – Deron

Keep in the good work!!

Here are some other Student Success Stories we are excited to share with you!

ESL learner, Thecede, pictured with his tutor Matt, at our open house, now has a job. He started at DHL in Groveport on Sunday, 18 September. Thecede has been in the USA for about 15 months now. A month or so ago he received his work permit. In just a few weeks he found a job, although those weeks searching for employment tend to pass slowly. Needless to say, he's thrilled! Thecede has been taking Level 2 ESL since April and is a dedicated and hard-working student. His grasp of written English is quite strong, so his focus is on conversation.

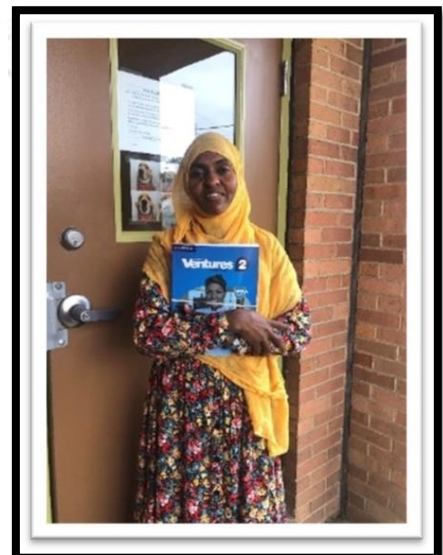


Edith, pictured to the left, moved up to Challenger 6 in her language arts studies. She is making quick progress!

Zeinab, pictured to the right, has moved up a level in ESL. She said she is very happy with her progress and to be working on improving her English skills.

Not pictured are Mouloud and Yanneth who moved up a level too.

We would also like to congratulate GED learner, Tadesse, on his new Job!



A big thank you to our open house sponsors!



Thank you to all who helped to make our open house/ice cream social such a success! A special thank you to Adriana, our Spanish GED Coordinator and ESL Site Coordinator, for her organizing skills and all her hard work. Also, to Theresa Marie Thompson, a long-time math tutor and an advisory board member, for making sure we had Ice Cream and for pretty much always helping at our events.

And thank you to all who were able to come! It was great to meet new people and to see old friends.



We were so blessed to be able to host the directors of the learning center in Connecticut!
Pictured from left to right are Sister Cathy Arnold, Sue Milne, Nancy Rodriguez, Denise Hilliard, and Sister Margaret Mary.

Prayer Requests



For Veilka who will be undergoing surgery this month, and for Theresa, who has been diagnosed with cancer.

Join us for Tutor Zooms! This is a wonderful opportunity to meet fellow tutors and share ideas and strategies with them.

Meetings will be:

- GED Language Arts – 2nd Thursday of the month (10/13) at noon
- GED Math – 2nd Monday of the month (10/10) at noon
- All tutors (ESL & GED) – 3rd Wednesday of the month (10/19) at 7:00 pm

For each of these zooms, the link is:

<https://DominicanSistersofPeace.zoom.us/j/6144447330?pwd=NnEyMENzeFIEb2NJMHRkdWRBUmIFQT09>

Have a great Halloween!

