

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

Dear DLC community,

I hope you are all enjoying a wonderful summer!! We have officially completed another academic school year and soon will be starting another! Here are some of the highlights from the last year:

- The DLC accepted 356 new learners last year. We maintained many older matches and finished the year with 358 active learners.
- We gained 21 new GED tutors and 92 new ESL tutors. We currently have 213 tutors volunteering their time with us.
- We had 8 learners earn their GED and another 7 take and pass at least one of the 4 required tests for their GED.
- We helped 35 learners create a GED account in preparation for their eventual test.
- We gave out over 50 books as learners advanced in either ESL, Language Arts, or Math.

In other DLC news:

Sr. Nancy taught an ESL class at St. Mary Magdalene for the 2021-2022 school year. She was knowledgeable in her field as well as kind and generous with her gifts. Sr. Nancy passed away two days ago and will truly be missed. May she rest in peace.



As we look forward to the next school year, here are some dates and events to keep in mind:

1. DLC Closure:

The DLC will be closed for two weeks (August 1-12). We will reopen on Monday, August 15, 2022.



2. **Open House:** We are going to have an Ice Cream Social to welcome back current learners/tutors/their families, share information with potential learners/tutors/their families, and just have a day to connect and spend time with each other. You each should have received an email about this, but if not, please use the link to RSVP. We hope to see you there! Saturday, September 17, 2022 from 3:00-5:00pm in the Corpus Christi courtyard. <https://www.greetingsisland.com/invites/p04buglar02f>

3. Culture Forums:

In an effort to better understand the community with which we are working, the DLC is going to



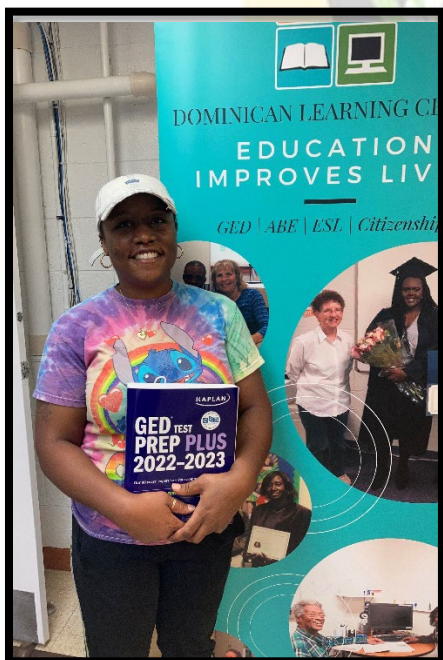
be hosting a series of culture-related presentations. These will take place at the Martin de Porres Center on October 12, October 26, and November 9, 2022 from 7:00-8:30 pm. I will send more information about the topics and presenters closer to the date, but please reserve this time on your calendars if you are interested in attending.

4. Move to the German Village location: We are still planning on moving the DLC to the new location when the space is available. Right now they are still working on renovations, so there is not much that we can do other than continue the work we have been doing all along. I don't anticipate an interruption in services because we are planning ahead and will be ready when the time comes. Our target date for the move at this point is October 2023.

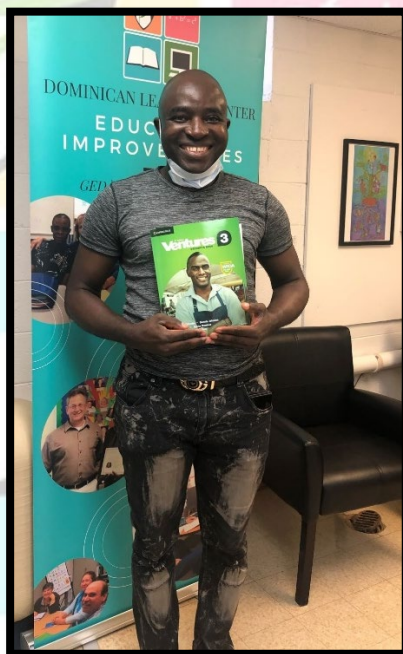
5. Small group classes for Science and Social Studies: (GED prep) – the DLC has always been special because of the one-to-one tutoring that we offer. We will continue to do that for Math, Language Arts, and ESL, but we have decided to offer small group classes for Science and Social Studies. The Social Studies has already begun, but the Science classes will be offered beginning this month. Please contact Martha or Sr. Mary for more information about the classes/to get enrolled in one of the group classes.

6. New Parish Site: You may know that we offer ESL classes at several parish sites throughout Columbus. I am excited to announce that this year we will be opening a new site at St. Matthias. We have had a lot of support from Fr. Tony and the parish council there, so I am thrilled to extend our relationship with them in this way.

Learner Success Stories:



Keishanta passed her Language Arts test. Now she and her tutor, Kate, can focus on the next subject.



Chrysantus advanced to the next book in ESL. Thank you, Hogan, for helping Chrys with his English.



Tadesse advanced a book in Math! We are grateful for Jim, his tutor, for helping him accomplish this. +++

Reminder: Don't forget to go review your goal sheets! Let us know which goals you have already achieved and if there are new ones that you will be working on with your tutor/learner.

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Learners: if you have not paid your learner fee yet, please make sure to do this. Payments can be made online by going to our website (domlearningcenter.org) and clicking on the words "Learner Fee" which is on the orange line in the middle of the page. You can also stop by the office to make your yearly payment.

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.