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## Policy and Responsibility

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SUBJECT: ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

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Murray School District Adult Education empowers individuals to become self-sufficient, with the skills necessary for future employment and personal success. The program serves students whose class has graduated or who are married. (Exception: those who are at least 16 years of age and released from compulsory attendance by the local School Board or are an adjudicated adult.)

There are four options for the adult student:

- I. Adult Basic Education (ABE).
  - a. ABE is provided to students who have/ or have not obtained a high school diploma but pretest at an educational functioning level less than a post-secondary level.
  - b. The curriculum is basic reading, writing and math computation.
  - c. Adult learners will be placed in the appropriate educational functioning level based on the results of an academic pretest.
  - d. Credit toward a high school diploma is not generated in the ABE courses.
  
- II. General Educational Development (GED) test preparation.
  - a. A GED Certificate is frequently used as an alternative for a high school diploma by most post-secondary institutions, financial aid applications, and/or employers.
  - b. By successfully passing the GED Test, an eligible student is entitled to a maximum of five (5) units of credit toward an Adult Murray School District Diploma.
  
- III. Adult High School.
  - a. All courses required for a Murray School District Adult Diploma are offered by the Adult Education Program.
  - b. A student must complete twenty-four (24) units of credit as outlined in Board Policy PS 449 in order to receive a Murray School District Adult Diploma. Transfer credits toward graduation must be earned from institutions accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges and are subject to prior approval and review by the Murray District Credit Review Committee.
  
- IV. English as a Second Language (ESL).
  - a. ESL is offered to adults who lack sufficient mastery of basic educational skills or English language communication skills to enable them to function effectively in society.
  - b. Credit toward a high school diploma is not generated in the ESL course.