

**Classes,  
programs  
and events  
for all ages!**



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### **Why it matters**

Osseo Area Schools' Community Education creates opportunities that positively impact our community through innovative and responsive programs and services.

**REGISTER NOW**  
Classes start in September!

Osseo Area Schools'

# **Community Education**

September 2026 through January 2027



# EXPLORE PROGRAMS



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# REGISTER



## Community Education—learning for all ages!

As Minnesota's fifth-largest school district, Osseo Area Schools proudly serves eight communities year-round—including Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn Center, Maple Grove, Osseo, Plymouth, Corcoran, Dayton and Rogers.

Osseo Area Schools' Community Education offers something for everyone in our vibrant, growing community. From Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) classes, preschool classes, youth enrichment for students in kindergarten through eighth grade to Driver's Education for teens, GED prep and adult enrichment classes, there's a path for every learner.

No matter your age or stage in life, Community Education helps you keep learning, growing and enjoying meaningful experiences.



**Now is the time to register!**

Scan the QR code or visit the registration website [osseoschools.arux.app](https://osseoschools.arux.app)

## Join Osseo Area Schools' Community Education Program Advisory Council

Help develop the district's Community Education program and promote lifelong learning for all residents.

### Members of the Community Education Program Advisory Council (CEPAC):

- Assist in the development of the district's Community Education program.
- Promote citizen involvement in the planned activities of Community Education.
- Foster positive communications between school and community.
- Work with civic, faith-based, service and government organizations when necessary to provide for the needs of the community.



[ce.osseoschools.org/community/cepac](https://ce.osseoschools.org/community/cepac)

# EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION

Classes for families with children from birth to age 5

Welcome to Osseo Area Schools' Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE): Where learning begins and families thrive.

We are excited for you and your child to join us! ECFE classes help you connect with other families and support your child's growth and development.

## ECFE classes include:

- **Parent and child time** - You and your child play and learn together through fun activities
- **Children's play time** - Your child plays with other children while you meet with other parents
- **Parent discussion time** - Parents share experiences and learn about child development together



All families are welcome, whether this is your first class or you have joined us before!

**Lottery registration: July 20 to Aug. 10; lottery held Aug. 12**

To view the current classes or register online visit [bit.ly/Register\\_ECFE](https://bit.ly/Register_ECFE) or scan the QR code. Need help? Call 763-391-8777 or email [ecfe@district279.org](mailto:ecfe@district279.org).



## LOCATIONS



### Arbor View Early Childhood Center

9401 Fernbrook Ln. N  
Maple Grove, MN 55369  
Phone: 763-391-8777



### Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

7020 Perry Ave. N  
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429  
Phone: 763-585-7330

# EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING

## Help your child get a strong start.

Early Childhood Screening is a free check of your child's growth, development and learning.

Available starting at age 3, screening can spot concerns early and connect you with support and resources to help your child thrive. The best time to have your child screened is between the ages of 3.5 and 4.0 years old.

### Ready to schedule?

Visit [bit.ly/EC\\_Screening](https://bit.ly/EC_Screening) or scan the QR code.

**Need help?** Call 763-391-8777.



## ECFE VISITS

**Personal support for families with children birth to age 8 from a licensed parent educator**—in the home, virtual, over the phone or in the community.

### ECFE Visits (scheduled):

- Talk about your child's development
- Get parenting support and activity ideas
- Connect you with community resources

### Have a quick parenting question?

Ask anytime—no appointment needed. A parent educator will connect with you. **Submit a question online:** [bit.ly/AsKECFE](https://bit.ly/AsKECFE)



### Ready to get started?

Call 763-391-8777  
for more information  
or scan the QR code to visit  
[bit.ly/LearnMoreECFE](https://bit.ly/LearnMoreECFE)

## Have a new baby?

One of our licensed ECFE parent educators would love to connect with you, answer your questions and tell you about our programs.



**Call 763-391-8777** to schedule a time or scan the QR code to fill out a form and have a parent educator contact you.



# INFANT CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

Spend time with your baby in a space made just for infants. Meet other families in your community. Learn fun play ideas and songs to sing with your baby. Talk about bonding, brain development, milestones, daily routines, feeding, sleep and more. Families stay together the whole class.

## Parenting Your Newborn (Birth–12 weeks)

Your baby's first 12 weeks are full of joy, questions and big adjustments. Each week, we will focus on discussion on topics such as your baby's development, bonding with your baby, sleep habits and caring for yourself. There will be time to connect with other parents of newborns and ask questions. You will also have the option to track your baby's growth with weekly weigh-ins and measurements. This class is co-facilitated with a licensed Parent Educator and Program Nurse. A lactation consultant may also join the class at times to answer questions.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F8-NB1A	Monday 9/21/2026–11/9/2026	8	1:15–2:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F7-NB2A	Monday 11/16/2026–1/11/2027	7	1:15–2:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



## Infant Mini Sessions (Birth–9 months)

These infant mini sessions offer special opportunities to connect with your baby and other families in the same stage of life. Whether through movement, touch, play, or shared experiences, each class is designed to strengthen bonds, support early development and help you feel more connected and confident as a parent. See the website [osseoschools.arux.app](https://osseoschools.arux.app) for full descriptions of each mini session.

Class Title	Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Infant Massage	F2-001MSA	Tuesday 10/6/2026 & 10/13/2026	2	1:45–3 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Infant Massage	F2-003MSA	Tuesday 1/5/2027 & 1/12/2027	2	1:45–3 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Dads and Infants	F4-002MSA	Tuesday 11/10/2026–12/1/2026	4	1:45–3 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

# INFANT CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

## Birth–9 months

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F13-006A	Friday 9/18/2026–1/15/2027	13	9–10:15 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



## Birth–12 months

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F16-001A	Monday 9/14/2026–1/11/2027	16	11 a.m.–12:15 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F8-002A	Monday 9/14/2026–11/2/2026	8	5:30–6:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F16-004A	Wednesday 9/16/2026–1/13/2027	16	1:30–2:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F14-005A	Thursday 9/17/2026–1/14/2027	14	11 a.m.–12:15 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F8-008A	Monday 11/9/2026–1/11/2027	8	5:30–6:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



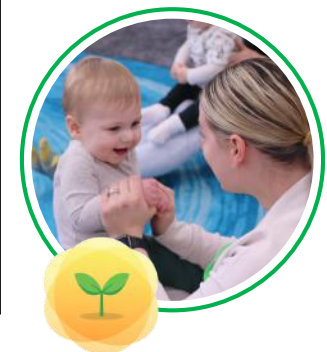
### Have a parenting question?

Learn more about free ECFE Visits from a licensed parent educator on **page 5**.

View page 15 for class fee on the Sliding Fee Scale.

## 9–18 months

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F15-003A	Tuesday 9/15/2026–1/12/2027	15	8:45–10 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F13-007A	Friday 9/18/2026–1/15/2027	13	10:45 a.m.–noon	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



# ONES CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

Welcome to a big year of growth and discovery. These classes offer a safe, playful space for you and your child to explore together. Build early friendships, learn through hands-on play and connect with other parents. Parent time includes real-life topics: safety, language, nutrition, separation and more. Separation time will be adjusted based on the comfort and needs of the group.

## Separating classes

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F16-101A	Monday 9/14/2026-1/11/2027	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F15-104A	Tuesday 9/15/2026-1/12/2027	15	10:30 a.m.-noon	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F14-105A	Thursday 9/17/2026-1/14/2027	14	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Y29-106A*	Thursday 9/17/2026-5/13/2027 *This is a year-long class.	29	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F13-107A	Friday 9/18/2026-1/15/2027	13	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

## Non-separating classes

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F16-102A-NS	Monday 9/14/2026-1/11/2027	16	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F16-103A-NS	Monday 9/14/2026-1/11/2027	16	5:30-7 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

## ECFE SAMPLER CLASS (Birth-5)

### Curious about ECFE?

Join us for a birth to 5 mixed age sampler class and experience the joy of learning and connecting with other families!

- Meet other parents.
- Enjoy play-based activities.
- See firsthand what ECFE has to offer.

Classes are meant for those who have not taken an ECFE class before. Sampler classes are free and require registration.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Time	Location
F1-SAMP1A	Wednesday 9/30/2026	10-11 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F1-SAMP2A	Friday 12/4/2026	10-11 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F1-SAMP3A	Friday 1/22/2027	10-11 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

# TWOS CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

## For children two-years-old at the start of the class.

These classes give you and your child time to explore together in a playful, supportive space that builds connection and early social skills. Parent time focuses on topics including toddler behavior, setting limits, language growth, toilet learning and cooperative play. Parent and child separating time will be based on the comfort and readiness of the group.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F16-201A	Monday 9/14/26-1/11/2027	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F16-202A	Monday 9/14/26-1/11/2027	16	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F16-203A	Tuesday 9/15/26-1/12/2027	15	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Y30-204A	Tuesday 9/15/2026-5/11/2027 *This is a year-long class.	30	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F16-205A	Wednesday 9/16/2026-1/13/2027	16	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



View page 15  
for class fee  
on the Sliding  
Fee Scale.

# TWO TO FIVES CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

## For children two to five-years-old at the start of the class.

Your child is learning new words, skills and how to connect with others. These classes are made for children and caregivers to explore, play and grow together. Parents discuss everyday topics like setting limits, potty training, social-emotional growth and more, tailored to your group's needs. Separation is adjusted based on the comfort and needs of the group.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F16-252A	Wednesday 9/16/2026-1/13/2027	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F14-253A	Thursday 9/17/2026-1/14/2027	14	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F13-255A	Fridays 9/18/2026-1/15/2027	13	8:30-10 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



# TWO TO FIVES CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

## Nature Play Area

Fresh air. Big adventures.

Explore, play and learn with your child in our outdoor classroom that is built just for young learners. Play in the mud kitchen, dig in the sand, climb, build and discover in a space full of nature-based fun.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F15-251NP	Tuesday 9/15/2026-1/12/2027	15	10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	Arbor View Nature Play Area
F4-254NP	Thursday 9/17/2026-10/8/2026	4	5:30-7 p.m.	Arbor View Nature Play Area

## ON THE WAY TO PRESCHOOL

Separation is adjusted based on the comfort and needs of the group.

### Preschool Together (ages 3 to 5)

Explore. Play. Grow. This parent-child class builds confidence, independence and social skills through fun, hands-on play. Together, you will explore activities that spark curiosity and support your child's development.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F13-PTA	Friday 9/18/2026-1/15/2027	13	10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

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### Practice Preschool (ages 2½ to 4)

You and your child will explore fun activities, play and learn side by side. Your child will build skills like sharing, taking turns and solving problems. Parents will connect by talking about screen time, building routines, managing big feelings and supporting school success.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Y31-PPW*	Wednesday 9/16/2026-5/12/2027 *This is a year-long class.	31	10 a.m.-noon	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center
Y29-PPA*	Thursday 9/17/2026-5/13/2027 *This is a year-long class.	29	9:30-11:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



# ALL ABOUT ME

For children three to five-years-old at the start of the class.

Together learn and share experiences around Hmong culture and how it connects and supports identity. The program will offer hands-on learning around cultural foods, activities, clothing and exposure to language. Each session includes interactive learning and take-home materials to continue the experience beyond the classroom. Presented in partnership with the Hmong Early Childhood Coalition.



Days/Dates	Time	Location
Tuesday 10/13/2026-12/8/2026	5:30-7:30 p.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

**Scan the QR code to register for the class.**

Need help? Email Kalia Yang at [kyang@hmongcecc.org](mailto:kyang@hmongcecc.org)



## BIRTH TO FIVE CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

Children and parents learn and play together through fun activities for all ages and stages. Parents will discuss topics with a parent educator such as child development, behavior, sibling relationships, screen time and other parenting questions important to the group. Babies younger than five months stay with their parents during parent discussion time. Separation for older children depends on the group's needs.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F16-501A	Monday 9/14/2026-1/11/2027	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F16-502A	Monday 9/14/2026-1/11/2027	16	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F15-503A	Tuesday 9/15/2026-1/12/2027	15	8:30-10 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F15-504W	Tuesday 9/15/2026-1/12/2027	15	9-10:30 a.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center
F15-506A	Tuesday 9/15/2026-1/12/2027	15	1:30-3 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F16-508A	Wednesday 9/16/2026-1/13/2027	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Y31-509A	Wednesday 9/16/2026-5/12/2027 <small>*This is a year-long class.</small>	31	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F14-511A	Thursday 9/17/2026-1/14/2027	14	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F10-517A	Thursday 10/22/2026-1/14/2027	10	5:30-7 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F13-515W	Friday 9/18/2026-1/15/2027	13	10-11:30 a.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

# BIRTH TO FIVE CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

## Adventures with Dad

For all father figures: dads, grandpas, uncles and more. Enjoy time with your child in a class full of fun, learning and connection. Discuss parenting topics important to the group. Come build community through shared experiences, play and conversation.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F14-514A	Thursday 9/17/2026-1/14/2027	14	5:30-7 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
F13-516A	Friday 9/18/2026-1/15/2027	13	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

## BIPOC Parenting Community

This class is for parents and caregivers who identify as Black, Indigenous or People of Color or are raising children who do. Join a welcoming space to connect, reflect and grow with other families. Come build community through shared experiences, play and conversation.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F14-512W	Thursday 9/17/2026-1/14/2027	14	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

## LGBTQIA+ Parenting Community

This class is for queer parents and caregivers, or those raising children who are gender expansive or gender creative. Join a welcoming space to connect, reflect and grow with other families. Come build community through shared experiences, play and conversation.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F15-507W	Tuesday 9/15/2026-1/12/2027	15	5:30-7 p.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center



# BIRTH TO FIVE CLASSES

Register based on your child's age when the class starts.

## CLASE DE ESPAÑOL

### Familias Hispanohablantes (niños desde nacimiento hasta la edad de cinco)

Para los padres, ECCE es un lugar para recibir apoyo de otros padres, hacer preguntas sobre el desarrollo o la educación de su hijo a un maestro autorizado y reflexionar sobre los valores y prácticas de su familia. Esta clase es para familias que hablan español en casa y quieren participar en la conversación entre padres en español.

el día	la fecha	la sesión	la hora	la ubicación
F15-505W	martes 15/9/2026-12/1/2027	15	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center
F14-513W	jueves 17/9/2026-14/1/2027	14	9-10:30 a.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center



## Parenting Your Child with Special Needs

This virtual class is designed for parents and caregivers of children from birth through grade three who are navigating developmental delays, disabilities or medical needs. Guided by a Parent & Family Educator, each session offers a supportive space to share experiences, ask questions and build community. Some sessions will also feature guest speakers from Osseo Area Schools' special education staff or community organizations, providing valuable insights and resources to help your family thrive.

Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
F7-511O	Wednesday 9/16/2026-10/28/2026	7	1:30-2:30 p.m.	Online class
F7-518O	Wednesday 11/4/2026-12/16/2026	7	1:30-2:30 p.m.	Online class

# Saturdays with ECFE

For children birth to five-years-old and a parent/caregiver.

Saturday classes are non-separating. Each session features fun activities for you and your child to do together. View full class descriptions and details on the registration website.

Class Title	Course ID	Day/Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Music and Movement	F1-S51A	Saturday 10/24/2026	1	9:30-11 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Fun with Grandparents	F1-S52A	Saturday 10/24/2026	1	9:30-11 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Nature Play	F1-S53NPA	Saturday 10/24/2026	1	9:30-11 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

## DROP IN PLAYTIME

Caregivers and children explore and play together, then gather for group time with songs, movement and stories. Parents and children explore together, then gather for group time with songs, movement and stories.

**Guidelines:** No registration required. The playtime rate is \$5 per child with a \$10 family maximum. No family will be turned away due to inability to pay. Cash or credit accepted. Adults and children stay together.

### Baby Playtime (Birth up to 24 months)

Day/Dates	Time	Location
Wednesday 9/16/2026-1/13/2027	11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

### Family Playtime (Birth up to 5 years)

Day/Dates	Time	Location
Wednesday 9/16/2026-1/13/2027	1:45-3:15 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



# ECFE SLIDING FEE SCALES

If paying the class fee is difficult for your family, fees can be lowered or waived. No one will be turned away because they can't pay. Call the ECFE office at 763-391-8777 for assistance.



## Sliding Fee Scale: Preschool Together & Practice Preschool

Annual Household Income	Preschool Together (13 weeks)	Practice Preschool (Year-long)
\$0-\$19,999	\$26	\$58
\$20,000-\$34,999	\$85	\$182
\$35,000-\$49,999	\$111	\$277
\$50,000-\$74,999	\$124	\$330
\$75,000-\$89,999	\$156	\$372
\$90,000-\$114,999	\$182	\$470
\$115,000-\$149,999	\$221	\$542
\$150,000-\$199,999	\$260	\$613
\$200,000+	\$312	\$684

## ECFE Class Fee Scale

Annual Household Income	Saturdays with ECFE	2 weeks	3-5 weeks	6-10 weeks	11-13 weeks	14-17 weeks	Online class	Year-long rate
\$0-\$19,999	\$0	\$4	\$8	\$11	\$16	\$21	\$6	\$45
\$20,000-\$34,999	\$1	\$11	\$19	\$40	\$64	\$80	\$20	\$138
\$35,000-\$49,999	\$4	\$12	\$24	\$52	\$84	\$103	\$26	\$184
\$50,000-\$74,999	\$5	\$14	\$27	\$58	\$94	\$118	\$29	\$217
\$75,000-\$89,999	\$8	\$16	\$31	\$75	\$118	\$148	\$38	\$277
\$90,000-\$114,999	\$11	\$18	\$36	\$90	\$142	\$178	\$45	\$343
\$115,000-\$149,999	\$12	\$20	\$40	\$104	\$171	\$217	\$52	\$396
\$150,000-\$199,999	\$14	\$24	\$45	\$117	\$200	\$255	\$59	\$462
\$200,000+	\$16	\$28	\$53	\$130	\$229	\$294	\$65	\$528

# PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

School starts in September!

## Learning options for your child:

- **Preschool** is for children who turned 3 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2026 and is offered at three school locations.
- **Prekindergarten** is for children who turn 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2026 and is offered at all elementary schools.

## ● **Preschool for Threes, Preschool for Three to Fives, Nature Preschool and Prekindergarten**

Choose flexible morning or afternoon classes, two to five days per week, at multiple locations. Tuition is based on family income and scholarships are available. Limited, one way transportation for eligible prekindergarten students. No mid-day transportation. Scholarships may be available.

## ● **Tuition Free Prekindergarten (VPK) for 4-year-olds**

A morning or afternoon prekindergarten program at eight locations in the district with free transportation to eligible students. Apply and then enroll at Osseo Area Schools Enrollment Center.

## ● **Four Star Express Prekindergarten Plus Care**

A full-day, school-based child care and early learning program. This tuition-based program is offered Monday through Friday from 7 a.m.–5:30 p.m., and follows the school year calendar. Daily breakfast, lunch and snacks are included along with free transportation to eligible students. Program accepts county child care assistance and program scholarships are available for eligible families.

## ● **Blast Wrap Around Care for 4-year-olds**

A school-based child care program that supports student attending prekindergarten programs at Oak View Elementary School. Care is available Monday–Friday from 7 a.m.–5:30 p.m. on school days and most non-school days. Weekly tuition is required. Program accepts county child care assistance and program scholarships are available for eligible families.

## Each program provides:

- Play-based learning
- Highly qualified staff
- Schedules to meet family needs
- Family and school engagement
- Belonging, connection and support



For the 2026–27 school year, enrollment is available on a first-come, first-served basis, as space allows in each program. Some class sections may be full or others may have waiting lists. **Learn more at [osseoschools.org/preschool](https://osseoschools.org/preschool).**





**Kidstop is Osseo Area Schools' school age care program that offers a fun, supportive and enriching experience for students in kindergarten through fifth grade.**

The focus of Kidstop is choice-based activities that help kids grow in independence, confidence and leadership; while feeling safe, welcome and celebrated for who they are.

Kidstop is offered before and after school, Monday through Friday, at 11 elementary schools during the school year. Kidstop follows the school calendar and is also open most non-school days. Hours are 6:30 a.m.–6 p.m. While families pay tuition, assistance is available to those who qualify. Registration opens in March each year for the upcoming school year and is first come, first served.

## Why choose Kidstop?

### Active learning and engagement

Students build critical thinking and problem-solving skills through hands-on activities that spark a love of learning.

### Indoor and outdoor play

Daily time to move, explore, and play in safe, age-appropriate spaces.

### Youth voice and choice

Students help shape their day by making choices and sharing ideas that guide programming.

### Meals and snacks provided

Breakfast and an afternoon snack are included every day.

### Exciting field trips and community connections

Meaningful experiences that take learning beyond the classroom.

### Flexible contracts

Choose the days that work for your family. Summer requires a 20-day minimum. School year contracts are also available.



To enroll in Kidstop school-age care, view [osseoschools.arux.app](https://osseoschools.arux.app) or scan QR code.



# YOUTH ENRICHMENT

Osseo Area Schools offers Youth Enrichment programs for students at a variety of grade levels. Classes give students a chance to try new things, build skills and have fun outside of the school day. Programs take place after school, in the evening and during the summer.



## ART

- Pokémon Workshop
- Cookies & Art
- Holiday Gift Making
- Squishmallow Mystery Art
- Fall Slime Lab
- Family Paint Night: Starry Night Cats
- Family Paint Night: Poinsettias
- Wild & Wonderful Nature Art
- Cozy Creatures Art Lab
- Tila Bracelets
- Finger Knit Bag
- Clay Creations
- Festive Drawings

## MISC.

- Individual guitar lessons
- Home Alone Safety and Child and Babysitting Safety
- Academic Booster: Language Arts and Math
- Kung Fu: Shaolin Kung Fu and Kid Fu
- Spanish

## THEATER

- Shrek Kids (Stages Theatre Company)
- Aladdin Kids (The BEAT)

## STEM

- Engineering for Kids, Jr. STEM Clubs 1, 2, 3
- NEW! Little Medical School
- Go Solar: Solar Cars
- Bricktopia
- Chess Club

## YOUTH SPORTS/RECREATION


- Dance Unlimited Dance Classes
- Amazing Athletes
- Basketball
- Flag Football
- Soccer
- Osseo Area Schools' Racing Series

## Did you know?

Students can register for Youth Enrichment classes offered at any school location.



To view or register for Youth Enrichment programs, scan the QR code or visit [osseoschools.arux.app](https://osseoschools.arux.app)



The Youth Enrichment team is continuously evaluating how to expand programming. For the latest updates on newly added Youth Enrichment classes, check the registration website.

# TARGETED SERVICES

Targeted Services classes in Osseo Area Schools offer engaging, enrichment-based learning opportunities before and after school for qualifying students in kindergarten through eighth grade. Programs are available at many sites across the district. Classes include a wide variety of topics, such as arts and crafts, cooking, gardening, STEM, music, movement, and support in literacy and math.

Each site offers programs based on student interests and staff strengths, led by dedicated educators who bring passion and creativity to their work.

Hands-on classes help deepen learning, build confidence, foster curiosity and support academic readiness. With high-quality, site-specific offerings and caring educators, students can discover new skills, grow socially and emotionally, and explore their creativity in a supportive environment.



## Beyond the school day: North View Middle School

North View Middle School has a popular after school activities program, which takes place three afternoons a week during the school year and offers a variety of fun, engaging activities that students can engage in alongside their school peers.

School counselor and Targeted Services Coordinator Shanna Schroeder said this popular program had 303 participating students during the 2025-26 school year, which represents over half the school's students. Nearly 100 of these students opted to sign up for multiple activities.

Many of the after-school activity options run through the school's Targeted Services program, such as cooking, volleyball, jazz band, public art, dance technique and board games and puzzles.

New in 2025-26, Three Rivers Park District teamed up with the school to offer an Explorers Club, where students went on field trips and did outdoor activities like fishing, fire building and archery. There were also some more counseling-focused options like Improve your Tomorrow mentoring program and Minnesota African Women's Association girls group, a club for African girls that focuses on college attendance, financial literacy, self-esteem building and more.

"Our Targeted Services Programming is all about helping students feel connected, supported, and inspired to learn," said Schroeder. "Through engaging activities, strong relationships with caring adults, and unique enrichment opportunities, we're creating a space where students can explore their interests beyond the traditional school day."

# DREAM



In Osseo Area Schools' Community Education, students, staff and community members are encouraged to dream big, envision their future, identify their passions and believe in their potential.

Every student's story in Osseo Area Schools begins before the first day of school. As Enrollment Center staff, Katherine, Erika, and Mary Kay ensure that enrollment processes for students with special education needs and/or services are completed and that district staff are connected and informed about each student's needs.

While Katherine, Erika, and Mary Kay are working behind the scenes—communicating with families by email, phone and completing paperwork, they know the impact of their work helps students arrive at school supported, and ready to learn.

"Our work matters," said Mary Kay.

At the Enrollment Center, Erika and Mary Kay focus on making sure every detail is in place for a student to be set up for success on day one by processing enrollments with accuracy, setting up special education transportation, referring to EL services, and obtaining student records from previous school districts.

Katherine approaches her role of reviewing each students' special education needs and services through the lens of the whole child, considering what each student needs to be successful in school. Katherine also builds relationships with staff at the Enrollment Center and at the school buildings by communicating student needs and services.

"Every day matters in a student's education," said Katherine. "It is important that they are set up for success from day one."

Together, Katherine, Erika, and Mary Kay serve as an essential bridge between families and school, supporting transitions and continuity of student needs and services. Families feel supported by their collaborative approach with staff at the Enrollment Center and at the school buildings.

"It's a very rewarding place to work. Even though we are not in a traditional school setting, I still feel like we're connected to students," said Katherine.

With growing interest from students and responsive partnerships with reliable, high-quality theater organizations, theater opportunities through Youth Enrichment have reached students in elementary and middle school. One of those partners is Stages Theatre Company.

"There is something so special and uplifting about seeing 50 students, dressed as Seuss characters, Oompa Loompas, or undersea creatures, singing their hearts out on stage in front of their families and friends. I get to witness this about 20 times a year during performances, and it still amazes me each time. The arts have a way of creating community, and this is what we try to nurture through the Stages Theatre Company & Osseo Area Schools Youth Enrichment partnership. Teaching students about the rehearsal and performance process is a core part of these programs, but beyond that we hope to help students build confidence, social skills, and develop community," said Matt Ouren, Stages Theatre Company director.

"This program has grown exponentially since we began 10 years ago. With the help and partnership of Youth Enrichment and the elementary schools we serve, we have built a program that students come back to all 4 years that they are able to be a part of it. I recently watched a group of fifth graders, that I first directed in second grade, take their final bow. It was bittersweet to say goodbye but rewarding to celebrate the growth we had seen both on and offstage. It also got me excited for the next group of students to start a new journey and excited to see what the next ten years bring," said Ouren.



District 279 Foundation's 2026 Investment in Youth Celebration took place on Sunday, May 3 at Park Center Senior High School: An IB World School.

For years, District 279 Foundation has held the annual event to honor scholars, volunteers and staff in Osseo Area Schools. This year, 72 award recipients were celebrated with dinner prepared by Osseo Area Schools Food & Nutrition Services staff, a program, performance by Maple Grove Crimsonettes and readings by Osseo Senior High Black Student Union.

District 279 Foundation is honored to recognize the award recipients for their significant investment.

For over 30 years, District 279 Foundation, a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization has been dedicated to supporting scholars in Osseo Area Schools.

Learn more: [district279foundation.org](http://district279foundation.org).

# EXPLORE

In Osseo Area Schools' Community Education, students, staff and community members explore more about who they are, try new things and engage in the community around them through hands-on learning, robust courses and real-world connections.



This spring, Tshab Lee, volunteer coordinator and Michelle Lamardo, volunteer in Osseo Area Schools' Adult Basic Education program received statewide recognition from Literacy Minnesota for their excellence and outstanding support of adult students.

Lamardo first became involved in the Osseo Area Schools' Adult Basic Education program in 2017 after spending three years as a student in the Family Literacy Program, a collaboration between ABE and Early Childhood Family Education.

Lamardo has assisted classroom teachers, worked one-on-one with independent students preparing for GED exams in math and science, and supported students in math and reading.

"Helping students pass their GED is a great accomplishment," Lamardo said, describing each success as a reflection of her contribution to help another person achieve their dreams.

In her role as volunteer coordinator, Lee has spent the past nine months recruiting volunteers, supporting classroom and one-on-one tutoring placements, and matching volunteers with students based on academic goals and areas of interest.

"Being able to work with volunteers has opened a new perspective for me. Seeing the impact our volunteers have on our students, it brightens my day," said Lee. "It also brightens my day when I see that our volunteers are excited to start volunteering, they make a great difference."



This spring, at Fernbrook Elementary School, students in Community Education's Kidstop before- and after-school age care program had a unique hands-on learning experience about the life cycle of chickens.

Kidstop site supervisor Jordan Robertson introduced the experience to the students through a connection with a local farmer.

During the first week, students took turns visiting the chicken egg incubator and observing changes during the hatching process. Each day, Robertson shared the current stage of the life cycle with students.

Over the course of a few days, students watched as a single egg began to hatch, eventually leading to eight chicks completing the process. The chicks were then moved to a brooder pen to keep them safe while giving students a chance to view the baby chicks up close.

Students observed the baby chicks for few more days before they were returned to the farmer who provided the eggs.



Middle school students performed 'Disney's The Lion King KIDS!' in April for family and friends, with free performances at Maple Grove Middle School Auditorium. The musical was made possible through a partnership with Community Education Youth Enrichment programs and The B.E.A.T Bunce Performing Arts.

For several weeks, the cast of 34 students in sixth through eighth grade practiced their lines, blocked scenes, learned choreography and developed characters to bring the Pride Lands to life on stage May 1 and 2. The vibrant performances included colorful props and costumes.

Osseo Area Schools' Community Education Youth Enrichment program continues to offer valuable opportunities for students to develop skills in the arts while fostering confidence, teamwork and leadership.

# DISCOVER

In Osseo Area Schools' Community Education, students, staff and community members can discover their talents, values and purpose, feeling empowered to make choices and contribute meaningfully to the community.



At Basswood Elementary School, four year-old students in Community Education Early Childhood Family Education's prekindergarten classroom are engaged in a range of hands-on, play-based learning activities.

Sue Goblisch, early childhood teacher, and Lesley Kingsbury, educational support professional, guide students through discovery time that emphasize creativity, exploration and classroom community.

This spring, a favorite activity was a tie-dye T-shirt project. Each student selected their own colors and designed an individual T-shirt. The students wore their finished shirts on a celebration day. Goblisch shares the tradition with students in the classroom year after year.

At the sensory table, students used scoops to dig and look for insects, strengthening fine motor skills while exploring early science concepts. In the reading area, students enjoyed books such as 'If You Give a Mouse a Cookie' and practiced early reading skills with classmates.

Other areas of the classroom offered opportunities for four year-olds to build with blocks, play with toy vehicles, examine insects more closely with magnifying glasses and create structures on a light table. Students also used their imagination to put on a puppet show and dress as superheroes in the dramatic play area.

Activities in early childhood preschool classrooms support early literacy, math, science, art, physical and social-emotional learning while encouraging children's curiosity and emerging independence. The curriculum keeps learning active, engaging and fun.



For nearly a year, Edwin Criollo has served as a building supervisor with Osseo Area Schools Community Education Facilities Scheduling, a role he began in October after seeing an online posting.

While pursuing his education in paralegal studies with an interest in family law, Edwin values the opportunity to connect with families and build communication skills with community members.

As building supervisor, a typical shift for Edwin begins in the late afternoon, coordinating with building staff, setting up event spaces and ensuring clear pathways for participants. Criollo works closely with colleagues and the athletics department, especially during construction, to direct visitors and maintain a welcoming environment.

Edwin enjoys the variety of working across different schools and events, from large tournaments to elementary activities.

"The environment is the best part of the job," said Criollo. "There's always someone to ask for help, and you're never alone."

Edwin takes pride in his role being reliable, communicative and proactive, often stepping in to solve challenges.



In Osseo Area Schools Community Education, students, staff and community members can discover their talents and feel empowered to contribute meaningfully to the community.

In the Blast Wrap Around Care program at Oak View Elementary School, instructor Mrs. Kasper crocheted all of the story pieces for the children's book, 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' — including the caterpillar and brought the book to life for prekindergarten students.

Because of Mrs. Kasper's talents, the prekindergarten students had a wonderful, engaging interaction during storytime, including a memorable opportunity to "feed" the caterpillar.

# ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

Osseo Area Schools Adult Basic Education (ABE) offers free classes for adults.

## We can help you:

- Learn English
- Improve your reading, writing or math skills
- Prepare for the GED exam
- Connect you to career pathways training

The school year begins in September and continues through early June. Students can start anytime during the school year.

## Location:

**Northwest Family Service Center**  
**Second floor, Suite 200S**  
7051 Brooklyn Boulevard  
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

## Office hours

Monday and Wednesday: 8 a.m.–6:30 p.m.  
Tuesday and Thursday: 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.  
Friday: 8 a.m.–12 p.m.

Limited office hours during school breaks and during the summer.

**Phone:** 763-566-5452

**Email:** [abe@district279.org](mailto:abe@district279.org)

**Website:** [ce.osseoschools.org/abe](http://ce.osseoschools.org/abe)



## Did you know?

Osseo Area Schools ABE partners with a number of community partners to provide career pathways training in a variety of fields including property maintenance, warehouse training, small business development and more. The training programs are short-term, free to eligible participants and include job placement assistance. Call the ABE office for more information on these classes.

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# ADULT ENRICHMENT

Try something new. Connect with community. Have fun.



## Classes offered Sept.–June

Get ready for more than 250 classes to pique your creativity, interests or inspire a new hobby!

Adult Enrichment classes help you learn new skills, explore hobbies and connect with others in the community. Join Osseo Area Schools' **Adult Enrichment where classes are offered both in-person and online!** Experience fun, learning and connection.

### Class categories include:

- Arts and creativity
- Community and personal development
- Cooking and nutrition
- CPR and safety
- Dance and travel
- Family and finance
- Health and wellness
- Home and garden
- Languages
- Media and technology

Classes are led by experienced instructors and community members who enjoy teaching and sharing what they are passionate about.

## Teach what inspires you!

Become a Community Education enrichment instructor and discover the joy of sharing your skills while connecting with others in your community.

Do you have a passion for teaching and experience in areas like arts and crafts, chess, cooking, dance, DIY, engineering, finance, fitness, wellness, home repairs, languages, law, music, photography, robotics, sports, technology, theater or another hobby?

### Learn how you can become an instructor today!

Email [communityeducationae@district279.org](mailto:communityeducationae@district279.org).



**Ploy Khunisorn**  
Online cooking classes



**Therinna Blackwell**  
Arts & Creativity



**Dan Pfeifer**  
Family & Finance



# ARTS AND CREATIVITY



## Acting for Everybody

Have you ever wondered how actors do what they do - how they can seemingly become different people and touch our emotions? This class will pull back the curtain and explore various techniques actors use to create memorable characters, while noting that we are all actors ourselves in our everyday life. We will also look at how actors are storytellers, and that all of us have a story to tell. Students will create their own stories and characters while gaining confidence in being in front of others. A fun time is guaranteed for all!

Mon., Sept. 14–Oct. 5 7–9 p.m. ESC  
\$89/person Mike Ricci

## How to Start and Finish Your Book (Without Overthinking It)

You've been thinking about writing a book—but keep overthinking or putting it off. In this fun and engaging class, you'll learn how to turn your ideas into a clear plan and actually start writing. Expect real progress, a little push, and the momentum you've been missing. Your instructor is a professional writer and published author.

Wed., Sept. 9–Sept. 23 6–7:30 p.m. ESC  
\$139/person Therinna Blackwell

## Finger Knit Pumpkin

Create cozy, seasonal decor using the popular finger knitting technique. In this hands-on class, you'll start by learning finger knitting basics together. No experience is needed. Instructions are simple, relaxing and easy to follow. You'll work at your own pace with guidance throughout the session. The featured project is a soft yarn pumpkin made with chunky yarn, measuring about 12–14 inches wide. It's perfect for fall decorating and makes a charming handmade accent for your home. Come try a fun, low-stress craft and leave with a finished piece you'll be proud to display.

Mon., Oct. 5 6:30–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$35/person Jane Helgestad



## Finish Your Book: Stay Consistent and Get It Done

You've been thinking about writing—or maybe you've already started—but staying consistent is the hard part. In this motivating and practical class, you'll learn how to build momentum, push past blocks and keep your writing moving forward. Walk away with a clear plan, stronger focus, and the confidence to keep going.

Wed., Oct. 14–Oct. 28 6–7:30 p.m. ESC  
\$139/person Therinna Blackwell



## Macrame Hanging Planter

Add a handmade accent to your space with this relaxed, step-by-step macramé workshop. In this guided class, you'll learn the basics of macramé as you create a hanging planter designed for windows, walls or cozy corners. No prior knot-tying experience is needed. Instruction is easy to follow and moves at a comfortable pace. Choose from a variety of cord colors to match your style. Each participant receives a coordinating pot and an artificial plant, so you'll leave with a fully finished piece ready to hang and enjoy. Create something practical, decorative and uniquely yours.

Mon., Sept. 28 6:30–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$35/person Jane Helgestad

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## Paint Like Bob Ross: Desert Scene with Julie

Join Julie, a certified Bob Ross instructor, for a step-by-step journey in creating your own desert scene. Julie will guide you through the essentials of canvas preparation, brush loading, and the specific strokes required for each phase of the artwork. As you work on your masterpiece, Julie will be available to answer any questions you may have. This class utilizes the "wet-on-wet" technique, making it accessible for anyone aged 12 and older who is ready to explore their creative side. No prior experience is needed and the class fee covers all necessary supplies. Embrace the opportunity to paint like Bob Ross!

Sat., Sept. 12 10 a.m.–1 p.m. OSH  
\$79/person Julie Fjetland



## Cozy Fall Craft Night

Get into the cozy fall spirit and join us for a festive, feel-good craft night! Whether you come solo for some well-deserved "me time" or bring a friend for a fun night out, this class is all about creativity, relaxation and a little seasonal magic. You'll create two handmade gifts. Keep one for yourself (because you deserve it!) and gift the other as a thoughtful hostess gift. Think warm scents, cozy vibes and beautiful, personalized creations. Your instructor will guide you every step of the way while still giving you the freedom to make each project your own. Class includes a \$25 supply fee. All supplies will be thoughtfully set up for you—just come ready to unwind and get creative! Projects include Anthro-inspired tumblers, homemade pumpkin spice jars, autumn breeze salt scrubs and festive labels and adornments. Note: Students will work with coconut oil. Please share in advance if there are any participants with allergies.

Mon., Oct. 5 6–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$65/person Lisa Morgan



## Holiday Wood Accents

Create custom, holiday-themed décor to celebrate the season. In this hands-on class, you'll choose from a variety of colors and patterns as you design three decorative accent pieces. You can follow provided examples or create your own designs using paint, stencils and vinyl materials. Instruction is clear and easy to follow, with plenty of room for creativity. These finished pieces are ideal for home décor, ornaments or thoughtful handmade gifts. Come create something festive, personal and ready to enjoy or share.

Tue., Nov. 10 6:30–8 p.m. ESC  
\$35/person Jane Helgestad

## Mahjong for Beginners

Mahjong is taking Minnesota by storm—and for good reason. This timeless game is equal parts strategy, mental exercise and social fun, making it the perfect way to connect with others and beat the winter blues. Join us for a welcoming, beginner-friendly Mahjong class designed to make learning easy and enjoyable. While the game has many rules, our expert instructor breaks everything down step by step in a relaxed, no-pressure style. All supplies are provided, so you can simply show up, settle in and start learning. Come with three friends to learn together at your own table or arrive solo and make new connections as you play—either way, you'll leave with new skills, new friendships and a fresh appreciation for this classic game.

Wed., Oct. 7 6:30–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$45/person Lisa-Marie Stienessen

Thu., Nov. 5 6:30–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$45/person Lisa-Marie Stienessen



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## Pumpkin Patch Sign Workshop

Get into the festive spirit and create a one-of-a-kind pumpkin sign that's perfect for your fall or holiday decor! This hands-on-class combines a variety of mediums, paints and fun craft elements to help you design a piece that's festive and all about fall! Our instructor will guide you through techniques and ideas, but creativity is all yours. With a wide variety of materials to choose from, you can customize your sign to match your personal style—whether that's rustic, modern, farmhouse or whimsical. Class includes a \$20 supply fee. All supplies will be thoughtfully set up for you—just come ready to unwind and get creative!

Mon., Oct. 26 6–9 p.m. ESC  
\$59/person Lisa Morgan

## Paint Like Monet

Step into the world of Impressionism as you recreate *The Magpie*, Claude Monet's iconic winter scene. In this guided class, you'll learn a brief overview of Monet and the Impressionist movement, then follow step-by-step instructions to paint your own version of this beloved artwork. The project will be completed on an 8 x 10-inch canvas, making it perfect for painters of all experience levels. No previous painting experience is needed—just come ready to learn, create and enjoy the process.

Wed., Nov. 4 6–8 p.m. OMS  
\$45/person Vanessa Merry



## T-Shirt Quilt

Are you celebrating a graduation or another special milestone? Make it memorable by creating a cherished 72" x 90" T-shirt quilt — made by you. Join Sandra as she guides you through the basics of turning T-shirts into a quilt you'll treasure. You'll learn how to stabilize shirts, cut and sew blocks, and attach the batting and backing. Basic sewing skills are required and expect to complete some work outside of class. Create a meaningful keepsake and learn skills you can use repeatedly. A \$15 supply fee is included in the class fee. Please bring the following supplies:  
Session 1: 35–40 washed T-shirts, rotary cutter and mat (preferred) or fabric scissors. Session 2: A sewing machine, thread, pins and fabric scissors. Session 3: Fabric for the quilt backing, batting (type and amount will be discussed in the first class).

Mon., Sept. 28–Oct. 12 6–9 p.m. OMS  
\$99/person Sandra Bengtson



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Join Julie, a certified Bob Ross instructor, for a step-by-step journey in creating your own mountain lake scene. Julie will guide you through the essentials of canvas preparation, brush loading and the specific strokes required for each phase of the artwork. As you work on your masterpiece, Julie will be available to answer any questions you may have. This class utilizes the "wet-on-wet" technique, making it accessible for anyone aged 12 and older who is ready to explore their creative side. No prior experience is needed, and the class fee covers all necessary supplies. Embrace the opportunity to paint like Bob Ross!

Sat., Nov. 7 10 a.m.–1 p.m. OSH  
\$79/person Julie Fjetland

## Easy Bob Ross Oil Painting with Henry Jay Rupp: Yellow Sky

Think you're not an artist? This class is for you! Your instructor loves working with people who have never painted before or think they can't even draw a stick figure. You'll be surprised by what you can create—and you might even find a new hobby you enjoy. You'll use oil paints, which are easier to work with than you might think. Learn step-by-step how to create your own painting, and when you're done, it'll be ready to frame and hang in your home. All supplies are included. If you'd like, you can buy a frame in class for \$30–\$40. Frames come with metal clips so you can hang your artwork right away.

Sat., Oct. 3 10 a.m.–2 p.m. OMS  
\$69/person Henry Jay Rupp

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### Pop Art Pet Portraits

Turn your favorite furry (or feathered!) friend into a bold, colorful pop art portrait! Using bright colors and high contrast, you'll create a vibrant 11x14" painting that captures your pet's personality. After registering, please email a high-quality photo of your pet (one pet per image) to [nwmpis@kidzart.com](mailto:nwmpis@kidzart.com) no later than September 23. No experience needed, just come ready to have fun and create something unforgettable!

Wed., Sept. 30 6:30–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$55/person Art Innovators

### Mosaic Jewelry

Design small, colorful pieces using the world's smallest tiles in this creative, hands-on class. You'll choose your own color palette and simple design, then work with tiny tiles to create a necklace, a pair of earrings and a matching trinket tray. Instructions are step by step and easy to follow. All skill levels are welcome. This class is beginner friendly and offers a fun way to explore mosaics while making unique pieces you can wear or display.

Tue., Nov. 10 6:30–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$59/person Jane Helgestad

### Leathercraft 101: A Beginner's Guide

Discover the art of leatherworking in this hands-on beginner's course. Whether you're looking to craft your own wallet, bag or accessories, Leathercraft 101 will teach you the essential skills to get started. Learn how to select the right leather, master cutting and stitching techniques and finish your projects with a personal touch. Through guided instruction and practical exercises, you'll create your own handcrafted leather items while gaining the confidence to continue your leathercraft journey. No prior experience needed, just bring your creativity and enthusiasm.

Thu., Sept. 17 & 24 6–9 p.m. OMS  
\$99/person Jim Kern

Thu., Oct. 22 & 29 6–9 p.m. OMS  
\$99/person Jim Kern



### Keeping it Together: Fashion a Leather Catch-all Basket

Construct a catch-all leather basket using a variety of materials. You will fold leather into a basket and add a decorative hardwood rim finished up with a handsewn sea grass top. No prior experience needed, just bring your creativity and enthusiasm!

Thu., Oct. 8 6–9 p.m. OMS  
\$69/person Jim Kern

### Needled Felted Owl

Create a charming 3D owl using colorful wool and felting needles in this hands-on class. You'll learn the basics of needle felting as you shape and build your owl step by step. This class is relaxing, creative and easy to follow, making it great for beginners and enjoyable for those with prior felting experience. All supplies are included, just bring your curiosity and enjoy trying a craft with endless creative possibilities.

Mon., Oct. 5 6–8 p.m. OMS  
\$49/person Vanessa Merry



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## Snowy Owl Acrylic Painting

Spread your creative wings with Aryn in this two-part snowy owl painting series. Learn classic painting techniques and the basics of value and color through live, step-by-step instruction. Play with new materials, build confidence and grow your skills as you create a finished artwork from start to finish.

Fri., Oct. 23 & 30 6–8 p.m. OMS  
\$119/person Aryn Lill



## Easy Bob Ross Oil Painting with Henry Jay Rupp: Red Trees

Think you're not an artist? This class is for you! Your instructor loves working with people who have never painted before or think they can't even draw a stick figure. You'll be surprised by what you can create—and you might even find a new hobby you enjoy. You'll use oil paints, which are easier to work with than you might think. Learn step-by-step how to create your own painting, and when you're done, it'll be ready to frame and hang in your home. All supplies are included. If you'd like, you can buy a frame in class for \$30–\$40. Frames come with metal clips so you can hang your artwork right away.

Sat., Nov. 14 10 a.m.–2 p.m. OMS  
\$69/person Henry Jay Rupp

## Sleigh Ride Acrylic Painting

Add a handmade touch to your holiday décor in this fun and festive painting class! Choose from three pre-sketched designs of either St. Nick, a cheerful snowman, or a silhouette reindeer and bring your wooden sled to life with vibrant acrylic paints. The 12" sleds come ready with the design lightly drawn on, making this class perfect for beginners and seasoned painters alike. Relax, get creative and take home a charming decoration you'll treasure for years to come. All supplies included.

Mon., Dec. 7 6:30–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$65/person Art Innovators



## Easy Bob Ross Oil Painting with Henry Jay Rupp: Pink Sunset

Think you're not an artist? This class is for you! Your instructor loves working with people who have never painted before or think they can't even draw a stick figure. You'll be surprised by what you can create—and you might even find a new hobby you enjoy. You'll use oil paints, which are easier to work with than you might think. Learn step-by-step how to create your own painting, and when you're done, it'll be ready to frame and hang in your home. All supplies are included. If you'd like, you can buy a frame in class for \$30–\$40. Frames come with metal clips so you can hang your artwork right away.

Sat., Dec. 12 10 a.m.–2 p.m. OMS  
\$69/person Henry Jay Rupp



## Golden Fall Acrylic Painting

Explore your creativity in this fall acrylic painting class. Learn to paint through clear, step-by-step instruction designed for beginners and returning artists alike. Build core skills such as shape, value, composition and color theory. Watch live demonstrations, experiment with different materials, and create your own finished artwork in a relaxed setting.

Fri., Sept. 11 6–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$65/person Aryn Lill



## Birch Tree Acrylic Pour

Create a colorful fall scene using the popular acrylic pour painting technique. In this hands-on class, you'll learn how to mix acrylic paints to a fluid consistency and use a directed pour method, no brushes needed. With step-by-step guidance, you'll pour and guide the paint to create a vibrant image of fall birch trees. Each participant will receive an 8 x 10-inch canvas and all necessary supplies to complete their artwork. Please bring a box or tray to safely transport your finished piece home. No painting experience required—just come ready to pour, create and enjoy the process.

Thu., Nov. 5 6–8 p.m. OMS  
\$49/person Vanessa Merry

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## Georgia O'Keeffe Acrylic Painting: Petunias

Georgia O'Keeffe is often called the mother of American modernism. In this acrylic painting class, students will learn about O'Keeffe's life, artistic journey and creative style. Using her floral painting Petunias as inspiration, participants will explore how she used line, shape, color and composition to create bold, expressive works of art. Students will apply these techniques as they create their own painting.

Fri., Nov. 6 & 13 6–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$125/person Aryn Lill



## Vincent van Gogh Acrylic Painting: Cypress and Star

Vincent van Gogh was a Dutch Post-Impressionist painter known for his expressive brushwork and bold use of color. In just over a decade, he created approximately 2,100 artworks that profoundly influenced the course of modern art. Explore Vincent van Gogh's life and artistic journey, focusing on how he developed his unique creative voice. You will study his dynamic landscape Road with Cypress and Star, examining how van Gogh used line, texture, color and composition to convey emotion and movement. Using these techniques, participants will create their own inspired artwork while gaining a deeper appreciation for his masterful style.

Fri., Dec. 4 & 11 6–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$125/person Aryn Lill



## Exploring Pottery with Chad Manders

This popular class fills fast and is taught by a skilled Maple Grove Senior High art teacher! You'll learn how to use the pottery wheel and try out other fun clay techniques like slab building, coils, slip molds, sprigs and textures. You'll also learn about glazes and underglazes to finish your pieces with color and shine. Be ready to get messy—wear old clothes and hard-soled shoes. Aprons and lab coats are provided. You can bring your own tools or use the ones we have. All materials are included in the class fee.

Tue., Sept. 8–Oct. 20 6:30–9 p.m. MGSB  
(Oct. 20 project pick up day)  
\$139/person Chad Manders

Tue., Oct. 27–Dec. 15 6:30–9 p.m. MGSB  
Skip Nov. 3  
(Dec. 15 project pick up day)  
\$139/person Chad Manders

## Exploring Pottery with Elliot Thompson

Join Elliot, a protégé of instructor Chad Manders, and learn how to use the pottery wheel and try out other fun clay techniques like slab building, coils, slip molds, sprigs and textures. You'll also learn about glazes and underglazes to finish your pieces with color and shine. Be ready to get messy—wear old clothes and hard-soled shoes. Aprons and lab coats are provided. You can bring your own tools or use the ones we have. All materials are included in the class fee.

Wed., Oct. 7–Nov. 25 6:30–9 p.m. MGSB  
Skip Oct. 14  
(Nov. 25 project pick up day)  
\$139/person Elliot Thompson

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## Wool Applique: Seasonal Table Mat

Explore the charm of wool appliqué in this beginner-friendly class that builds creativity and basic skills. Choose a seasonal design and learn how to cut and arrange felted wool on a 9-inch table mat. You'll also practice simple hand-embroidery stitches to add detail and texture. Your finished piece makes a lovely home décor accent or a thoughtful handmade gift. All skill levels are welcome. Please bring a sharp fabric scissors. A \$25 supply fee is included in the class fee.

Mon., Oct. 19 & 26 6–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$95/person Sandra Bengtson

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## What's a Bobbin

Have a sewing machine but not sure how to use it? This hands-on class is a great place to begin. You will learn how to set up and operate a sewing machine, practice common stitches, and explore basic sewing tools and fabric types, including woven and knit fabrics. You will also try essential sewing accessories and gain tips to help you build confidence and get started right away. Join us and take the first step on your sewing journey. A \$5 supply fee is included in the class fee. Please bring a sewing machine (manual if available), thread, fabric scissors and pins.

Mon., Nov. 9–23 6–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$85/person Sandra Bengtson

## Cricket Design Space 101

Thinking about buying a Cricut® Explore or newer machine—or already have one and don't know where to start? This class begins with the foundation: Cricut® Design Space. Through instructor demonstration, you will learn how to navigate this online program, explore ready-to-make designs and create custom projects. Participants will leave class with one completed paper project and one vinyl project. Participants are asked to bring a laptop with Cricut® Design Space downloaded prior to class. There is also an option to follow along with the instructions and create your own project during class; however, projects created during this option will not be printed in class and can be printed at home using your own machine. No Cricut® machine is required to attend the class. A \$10 supply fee is included in the class fee.

Tue., Dec. 1 6–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$49/person Sandra Bengtson

## Smittens

Did you know a sweater plus a mitten makes a smitten? In this hands-on class, turn an old wool sweater, from your closet or a thrift store, into cozy mittens for yourself or someone you care about. Smittens are comfortable, practical and make great gifts for all ages. Create something warm, useful and handmade while learning a fun new skill. Please bring your enthusiasm and the following supplies:

- Sewing machine and thread
- Fabric scissors
- Pins or fabric weights
- One wool sweater washed in hot water and dried on high heat
- 3/8 yard of matching or contrasting fleece fabric.

**\*\*Optional purchases:\*\***

Sandra offers an option to purchase materials for \$20, which includes one wool sweater and 3/8 yard of matching or contrasting fleece fabric. A pattern will be provided for use during class, and participants may also purchase a copy to take home for \$5. Please select any optional materials or pattern purchase during checkout if you would like the instructor to provide them.

Wed., Nov. 4 6–8:30 p.m. OMS  
\$35-60/person Sandra Bengtson  
(Depending on supply choice)

## Quilt Blocks: Table Runner

Start your machine-quilting journey by creating a one-of-a-kind table runner that highlights your personal style. Choose from several quilt block designs, then mix colors and patterns to sew eight blocks. You will finish your project by joining the blocks using a simple sashing technique. Create something practical, creative and uniquely yours. Basic sewing machine skills are required. A \$25 supply fee is included in the class fee. Please bring a sewing machine, all-purpose thread, fabric scissors, fabric marking pen or chalk, pins, ruler and seam ripper. A rotary cutter and mat are helpful but not required.

Mon., Dec. 7 & 14 6–9 p.m. OMS  
\$95/person Sandra Bengtson



## Introducing Sasha DeMarre

Sasha DeMarre is a Twin Cities-based creative and community builder who enjoys exploring new crafts, hobbies, and hands-on skills. Inspired by nature and the outdoors, she loves creating welcoming spaces where people can slow down, be present, learn something new, and connect through creativity and curiosity.

## Build Your Own Terrarium

A creative and hands-on experience learning about and building your own terrarium. Terrariums are miniature ecosystems. The plants and organisms work together to sustain life, making terrariums low maintenance (and easy to customize)! This event is great for friends and neighbors, young and old! If you are a nature-lover and want to look at something beautiful and natural all year round, this is a class for you. All supplies and materials are included. You'll be making terrariums which include a substrate mix (specialty soil mix) so be prepared to get your hands dirty! Wear comfortable clothes and an outfit that you are okay with getting a little dirty (just in case).

Thu., Sept. 24 6–7:15 p.m. OMS  
\$59/person Sasha DeMarre

Sat., Oct. 17 11 a.m.–12:15 p.m. OMS  
\$59/person Sasha DeMarre



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## Beginner Sewing Class: The Bucket Hat

Start sewing with a fun, hands-on class designed just for beginners. No experience needed. Learn basic sewing skills in a supportive, easy-to-follow setting where you will get comfortable using a sewing machine, try simple hand stitches and follow essential safety steps. You will build focus, patience and hand-eye coordination while picking up useful skills like sewing on a button or fixing a seam. By the end of class, you will complete a reversible bucket hat to take home and wear. This class is a great first step into sewing and a hobby you can enjoy for years. This class is only for beginners with no prior sewing experience. Class may end early based on pace.

Supplies to bring to each class:

- Basic sewing machine with manual (no computerized machines or sergers)
- Two size 12 or 14 universal/standard sewing machine needles
- Half yard outer fabric (100% cotton, 43"–45" wide)
- Half yard lining/reversible fabric in contrasting color (100% cotton, 43"–45" wide)
- Half yard fusible lightweight interfacing (40"–45" wide)
- Fabric scissors
- General-purpose scissors (for paper)
- Large seam ripper
- Sewing seam gauge
- 60-in. tape measure
- Curved safety pins, size 2 (40 count)
- Two spools all-purpose thread (100% polyester)
- Long ball head straight pins, size 24
- Pin cushion (magnetic or cloth)
- Disappearing fabric marking pen, pencil, or tailor's chalk in a contrasting color other than fabric.
- Optional: Decorations such as patches, beads or other accents.

Sat., Oct. 3 & 10 10 a.m.–1 p.m. OMS  
\$75/person Karen Stovall

## Beginner Sewing Class: Gift Ideas

Start sewing with a fun, hands-on class designed just for beginners. No experience needed. Learn basic sewing skills in a supportive, easy-to-follow setting where you will get comfortable using a sewing machine, try simple hand stitches and follow essential safety steps. You will build focus, patience and hand-eye coordination while picking up useful skills like sewing on a button or fixing a seam.

Choose from beginner-friendly projects such as a wristlet, lanyard, fabric wallet or pillow. Leave class with finished items you can use or share with others. Try something new, express your creativity and start a hobby you can enjoy for years to come. This class is only for beginners with no prior sewing experience. Class may end early based on pace.

Supplies to bring to each class:

- Basic sewing machine with manual (no computerized machines or sergers)
- Two size 12 or 14 universal sewing machine needles
- 1 yard fabric (100% cotton, 43–45 in. wide)
- 30 in. fusible lightweight interfacing (40–45 in. wide)
- 12 in. of ¾-inch no-roll elastic
- Fabric scissors
- General-purpose scissors (for paper)
- Large seam ripper
- Sewing seam gauge
- 60-in. tape measure
- Curved safety pins, size 2 (40 count)
- Two spools all-purpose thread (100% polyester)
- Long ball head straight pins, size 24
- Pin cushion (magnetic or cloth)
- Disappearing fabric marking pen, pencil or tailor's chalk in a contrasting color other than fabric.
- Optional: Decorations such as patches, beads or other accents.

Sat., Nov. 7 & 14 10 a.m.–1 p.m. OMS  
\$75/person Karen Stovall



### Introducing Karen Stovall

Karen Stovall is a sewing instructor for beginner classes designed for both youth and adults. She brings experience as a children's instructor, as well as an adult Christian education instructor and Sunday School teacher. Her passion for creativity led her to launch a home-based craft business, where she designs and creates handmade items, upcycles clothing and produces custom jewelry and footwear. With many years of sewing and alteration experience for both personal and client work, Karen is dedicated to helping beginners build confidence, learn new skills and discover the joy of sewing.

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# CPR AND SAFETY

## Beginner Sewing Class: Drawstring Backpack/Bag

Start sewing with a fun, hands-on class designed just for beginners. No experience needed. Learn basic sewing skills in a supportive, easy-to-follow setting where you will get comfortable using a sewing machine, try simple hand stitches and follow essential safety steps. You will build focus, patience and hand-eye coordination while picking up useful skills like sewing on a button or fixing a seam. By the end of class, you will create a lined drawstring backpack to take home and use right away; a project you can be proud of. Try something new, tap into your creativity and discover a hobby you can enjoy for years to come. This class is only for beginners with no prior sewing experience. Class may end early based on pace.

Supplies to bring to each class:

- Basic sewing machine with manual (no computerized machines or sergers)
- Two size 12 or 14 universal sewing machine needles
- 1 yard fabric (100% cotton, 43–45 inches wide)
- 30 inches fusible lightweight interfacing (40–45 inches wide)
- 12 inches of ¾-inch no-roll elastic
- Fabric scissors
- General-purpose scissors (for paper)
- Large seam ripper
- Sewing seam gauge
- 60-inch tape measure
- Curved safety pins, size 2 (40 count)
- Two spools all-purpose thread (100% polyester)
- Long ball head straight pins, size 24
- Pin cushion (magnetic or cloth)
- Disappearing fabric marking pen, pencil or tailor's chalk in a contrasting color other than fabric
- 16 oz. Bag of Poly-Fil Fiber Fill Stuffing
- Optional decorations such as patches, beads or other accents

Sat., Oct. 17 & 24 10 a.m.–1 p.m. OMS  
\$75/person Karen Stovall

## Heart Saver Adult, Child & Infant CPR/AED Course

Adult, Child, & Infant CPR Course teaches recognition of signs and symptoms of a heart attack, cardiac arrest, stroke and choking in adults, children and infants. Includes use of barrier devices and verbal AED.

Fri., Sept. 25 5:30–9:30 p.m. ESC  
\$119/person Save a Life

## Defensive Driving Course: Saving Money - Saving Lives

If you're 55 or older, you can take this easy class to help lower your car insurance costs and become a safer driver. Minnesota law says insurance companies must give you a 10% discount for three years if you complete a state-approved defensive driving course. This class is taught by trained instructors and takes place at the Educational Service Center. You don't need to take a test or do any driving. When you finish, you'll get a certificate to give to your insurance company. This course is offered in partnership with the Minnesota Safety Council.

Wed., Oct. 7 5:30–9:30 p.m. ESC  
\$39/person Minnesota Safety Council

Sat., Oct. 24 9 a.m.–1 p.m. ESC  
\$39/person Minnesota Safety Council

## Pediatric CPR and First Aid (2-night course)

The Pediatric First Aid & CPR Course is a credentialed course specially designed to train those responsible for children's health in meeting state-specific requirements. Course modules cover first-aid basics; medical, injury, environmental emergencies; Pediatric CPR; choking and additional topics. Students will receive a 2-year completion e-card for the course.

Wed. & Fri., Oct. 14 & 16 6–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$139/person Save a Life

Wed. & Thu., Dec. 2 & 3 6–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$139/person Save a Life

## Adult CPR and AED

Teaches recognition of signs and symptoms of a heart attack, cardiac arrest, stroke and choking in adults. Use of barrier devices and verbal AED will be covered. Course completion e-card given at the end of class and will be valid for two years.

Wed., Nov. 4 6–8 p.m. ESC  
\$105/person Save a Life

# TEEN DRIVER'S EDUCATION

Safeway Driving School was selected by Osseo Area Schools Community Education department to provide teen driver's education. Safeway is the largest driving school in MN, instructing over 9,000 teens this year alone. It has an A+ rating with the Better Business Bureau (BBB) and is a BBB Accredited Business. Safeway has 90 experienced instructors background checked by the MN Dept. of Public Safety.

## Class options for teens age 14 ½–18 include:

- **In person:** Held after school at OSH, MGSH and PCSH high schools
- **Online:** Live online instruction at a scheduled date and time
- **Self-paced:** Pre-recorded and interactive lessons online to complete when it is convenient



Scan the code register online for a class at [osseoschools.arux.app](https://osseoschools.arux.app). Questions? Call 763-391-7242 or email the Youth Enrichment staff [communityeducationye@district279.org](mailto:communityeducationye@district279.org).

# COOKING AND NUTRITION



## Truffles: Chocolate Candies for All Occasions

Back by popular demand! Nancy has shown thousands of students how to make these rich, chocolatey delicacies. You will prepare one variety in class and work with four others, with treats to sample along the way! After just one 3-hour class, you'll be making truffles for all those special occasions. Note that some truffles may be rolled in nuts. Each student will go home with a yummy box of chocolates. A \$15 supply fee is payable to the instructor in class. Optional truffle/candy kit will be available for purchase in class.

Thu., Oct. 1      6–9 p.m.      MGMS  
\$45/person      Nancy Burgeson



## A Tex Mex Fiesta (Participation Class)

You'll begin with "Empanadas", pastries filled with beef, tomatoes, potatoes and herbs. Flautas are next with chicken in a jalapeno/garlic paste and fried crisp in a corn tortilla. You'll then prepare authentic Mexican rice prepared with onions, garlic, tomatoes and fresh cilantro along with Mexican style corn prepared with lime aioli, cayenne pepper and Cotija cheese. Fajitas follow with tender strips of marinated beef and chicken with fresh sauteed bell peppers and onions wrapped in a warm tortilla shell. Finish this fiesta with a Yucatecan-style delight, fresh coconut blended with rich custard in a wonderful nutty crust, baked to a caramelly brown and served with crème fraîche.

Tue., Sept. 8      6–9 p.m.      OMS  
\$59/person      Jeff Sandino



## Family-Style Italian Cuisine (Participation Class)

You'll be preparing chicken cacciatore using fresh chopped garlic, sweet basil, red onion, mushrooms and capers simmered in a delightful marinara sauce. You'll enjoy beef bracirole stuffed with prosciutto ham and parmesan cheese in a savory burgundy sauce. You'll pair these delicacies with creamy, garlic mashed potatoes, tender green beans tossed in olive oil with lemon and plenty of bruschetta for dipping. Finish with Crème brulee, a rich, creamy custard with a caramel crust. This class includes both demonstration and hands-on instruction. Many food items are prepped by the chef in advance in order to get through these amazing recipes in 3 hours.

Tue., Oct. 20      6–9 p.m.      OMS  
\$59/person      Jeff Sandino

## Sourdough Starter Workshop

Baking sourdough bread at home is easier than it looks. This class focuses on clear steps, simple routines and tools that work in a busy home kitchen. This workshop is for beginners and for anyone who has tried sourdough before and felt overwhelmed. Learn what a sourdough starter is and how it works, how to feed and care for a starter, easy routines that fit everyday life, how to spot a healthy starter and fix common problems, how to get your starter ready for baking, plus a live demonstration of mixing, shaping and scoring dough. You'll take home an active sourdough starter, printed instructions with clear steps and the confidence to bake sourdough on your own. No experience is needed—just bring your curiosity.

Tue., Sept. 29      6:30–8 p.m.      OMS      \$65/person      Sandra Brenes



# COOKING AND NUTRITION

## Tantalizing Thai Cuisine (Participation Class)

Enjoy a flavorful evening learning how to make popular dishes from Vietnam and Thailand! You'll start by making fresh Vietnamese summer rolls with hoisin and peanut dipping sauces. Then, try crispy Vietnamese spring rolls filled with pork, turkey and glass noodles. Next, cook classic Pad Thai with rice noodles, chicken, eggs, garlic, chilies, basil, scallions and bean sprouts. For dessert, you'll make Thai lime custard topped with whipped cream. No experience needed, just come ready to cook and enjoy!

Tue., Nov. 17 6-9 p.m. OMS  
\$59/person Jeff Sandino



## Mile High Apple Pie

Fall is in the air and with that comes apple season! This is the time of year to make the very best apple pie. Nancy's students rave about this fun class. If you say, "I can't make pies" then this class is for you. Nancy will take you through all the steps, from making a crust, to preparing all the filling for your pie using the freshest apples. You will be surprised how easy it is. You'll leave class with a hot apple pie to share with family and friends. Boxes will be provided. Please bring a rolling pin, if you have one. Supply fee of \$15 payable to instructor in class.

Thu., Oct. 22 6-9 p.m. MGMS  
\$39/person Nancy Burgeson



## Marvelous Macarons

Perfect for any occasion from baby showers, graduations, weddings, birthdays and more. You will be the talk at the party with these beautiful, delectable treats. Learn how to make, bake, fill and decorate them in different flavors, colors and fillings. Each participant will leave with a lovely box of finished macarons. A \$13.00 supply fee is payable to the instructor in class.

Thu. Sept. 24 6-9 p.m. MGMS  
\$39/person Nancy Burgeson

## Holiday Cookie Bake & Take

Are all the holiday preparations getting you down? Don't fret, Nancy's team will help you get your baking done in no time at all! You will go home with ten dozen cookies in all. In this hands-on class you will be working in pairs. You will be provided with cookie dough and everything you need to form, trim and decorate the cookies. Your cookies will be baked for you by Nancy's team in large commercial ovens. Hairnets and gloves will be provided, but bring your own apron if you like. And most important, don't forget to bring containers to carry home your ten dozen treats. Please arrive on time and plan on staying the full three hours, which includes assisting with clean-up at the end of class. Due to safety restrictions and out of respect for adult attendees, this class is for ages 18 and older only; no children are allowed in or near the class. If you are unable to attend due to childcare needs or illness, you may send someone in your place. Cookies will not be provided for no-shows. There will be a \$20 food supply fee payable to the instructor in class. We are unable to accommodate nut allergies in this class.

Fri., Nov. 13 6-9 p.m. MGMS  
\$39/person Nancy Burgeson

Sat., Nov. 14 9 a.m.-12 p.m. MGMS  
\$39/person Nancy Burgeson

Sat., Nov. 14 1-4 p.m. MGMS  
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### Romantic Dance

Start your weekend with romance. Learn simple, stylish dance moves that add variety to classic swing steps. You and your partner will spin, turn and twirl with ease. This class helps couples feel confident dancing in any setting. By the end of the session, you won't want to stop dancing. New moves are included for returning participants. Couples only. The \$45 fee covers both partners.

Fri., Nov. 20 7-9 p.m. OSH  
\$45/pair Monica Mohn

### Swing Dance

Start your weekend with an activity you can enjoy together. In just one evening, learn dance patterns such as an arch and a loop that move you from the sidelines to the dance floor. You'll gain skills that help you dance comfortably as a couple. Couples only. The \$45 fee covers both partners.

Fri., Oct. 23 7-9 p.m. OSH  
\$45/pair Monica Mohn

### Wedding Dance Workshop

Whether you are preparing for your first dance, attending a special event or planning a night out together, enjoy the fun of dancing as a couple. With guidance from a three-time ballroom dance champion, learn easy, stylish moves with turns that help you look confident on the dance floor. By the end of the evening, you will be dancing with ease and enjoying time in each other's arms. Couples only. The \$45 fee covers both partners.

Fri., Sept. 18 6-8 p.m. OSH  
\$45/pair Monica Mohn

### Comprehensive Retirement Planning Course

Experience a comprehensive, 5-hour course, spread over two evenings that touches on a broad array of topics to improve your overall confidence in retirement. You'll cover optimizing distribution choices like social security, pensions, retirement plans and IRAs, including the power of Roths and how they can be used to reduce taxes. You'll also discuss investing to reduce volatility, when insurance and annuities make sense, and even cover high-level estate planning.

Mon., Oct. 26-Nov. 2 6-8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$49/pair Mark Josephs

Thu., Nov. 5-Nov. 12 6-8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$49/pair Mark Josephs

### Creating Your Estate Plan

Creating Your Estate Plan is designed to help you understand the basics of estate planning so you can consider the options that make the most sense for your specific situation. Participants will learn what to consider when creating a will, the benefits of trusts in estate planning, how to help reduce taxes on estates and how insurance can help protect your family.

Tue., Oct. 27 6-7:30 p.m. ESC  
\$25/person Tarun Bhatia

### Medicare Basics: Parts A-D

Turning 65 soon? This course is designed to help you figure out if and when to sign up for Medicare, the costs and your coverage options.

Wed., Sept. 30 6-7:30 p.m. ESC  
\$25/person Dan Pfeifer

### Maximize Your Social Security: A Guide for Married, Single, and Surviving Spouses

Plan ahead for retirement by learning how Social Security works for you. This class is designed for married couples, single adults and widows who want to better understand their Social Security benefits. Learn practical strategies for deciding when to claim, how marriage affects benefits and how to coordinate Social Security with other retirement income. Topics include how marriage affects Social Security benefits, the best time to claim benefits, coordinating Social Security with other income sources, understanding taxes on benefits, working while receiving benefits and strategies for higher-earning households. This clear, informative class helps you make confident decisions and maximize the benefits you've earned.

Thu., Oct. 8 6:30-8 p.m. ESC  
\$25/couple Rolf White

### Retirement Planning Made Simple

Retire with confidence by learning how to optimize distributions from Social Security, pensions, work retirement plans and traditional IRA. Learn about the benefits of Roth IRA and how they can help reduce your taxes. This class also covers importance of estate planning, long term care insurance and when annuities are useful.

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\$25/person Tarun Bhatia



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# FAMILY AND FINANCE

## Six Steps to Legacy Planning Across Generations

Estate planning does not have to feel intimidating or impersonal. This practical class introduces generational planning, a way to pass on more than money — your wishes, values, and stories — so the next generation has clarity and direction. You'll learn what can happen when a legacy is not planned, how to prepare for sudden incapacity, and how to transfer both personal and financial assets with purpose. You'll leave with a simple, six-step process and a clear next step you can take right away. You do not need to be wealthy to benefit — clarity matters most. Whether you are 45 or 75, this framework helps align paperwork, people and purpose.

Thu., Dec. 3      6:30–8 p.m.      ESC  
\$25/person      Rolf White

## Taxes in Retirement

Your tax rate in retirement can change from year to year. It depends on when and how you use different income sources. Without a plan, you may pay more in taxes than necessary. This class explains how smart tax planning can help you manage taxes throughout retirement, understand how they affect Social Security and Medicare, and decide when to use different accounts to help lower your tax bill. You'll learn how smart tax planning can improve your retirement, how to avoid the Social Security "tax trap," and how withdrawing assets in the wrong order can raise Medicare premiums. You'll also explore the four stages of retirement, the key tax decisions in each, and common mistakes to avoid with investments, health care and estate planning.

Wed., Nov. 11      6:30–8 p.m.      ESC  
\$25/person      Rolf White

## The Ins and Outs of Medicare

Learn the basics of Medicare in a clear, practical way. This class explores the ins and outs of Medicare and is designed to help you understand your options before enrolling. Presenters and licensed health agents will guide the discussion, and participants are encouraged to ask questions and engage throughout the session. Topics include Medicare history and eligibility, the differences between Medicare and Medicaid, the various parts of Medicare, how doctors and hospitals work with Medicare, Medicare supplement and Part D plans, options if you retire early, and key rules to consider when choosing a plan. This informative class helps you feel confident and prepared to select a Medicare plan that fits your needs.

Mon., Sept. 21      6:30–8 p.m.      ESC  
\$25/person      Rolf White

## Prepare Your Own Will

If you don't have a will, Minnesota law decides who receives your property and who will care for your children. In this class, you'll learn what a will is, how probate works and why planning ahead is so important. You'll leave with a completed, legally binding will—ready to use. We provide everything you need, including a professional will form, witnesses and a notary. This class is best for people who have less than \$1 million in assets and who do not own a business. An attorney will lead the class and answer your questions.

Tue., Sept. 15      7–9 p.m.      OSH  
\$49/person      Adam Altman

### LOCATION KEY:

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# COMMUNITY & PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

## Know Your Muslim Neighbor

Join a lively discussion to learn about Islam and Muslims. You'll learn about the articles of faith, rituals and practices, and how they affect a Muslim's daily life. This event will provide you with a safe room to ask any related questions about your Muslim neighbor. We look forward to seeing you in our journey to break through any stereotypes and misconceptions about each other and build a stronger community together.

Thu., Oct. 29      6–9 p.m.      ESC  
\$25/person      Building Blocks of Islam

## The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy: An In-Depth Analysis

This course aims to analyze the disparities between the findings of the Warren Commission and the United States House of Representatives regarding the assassination of President Kennedy. The Warren Commission, which conducted a ten-month investigation and released its conclusions in September 1964, will be compared with the conclusions reached by the House of Representatives, which conducted a more extensive thirty-one-month investigation and published its report in March 1979. Throughout the course, you will have the opportunity to develop a comprehensive understanding of the controversies surrounding President Kennedy's assassination. The two-day, two-hour sessions are structured to provide ample time for you to share your comments and pose questions, fostering a dynamic and engaging learning environment. There is no political agenda. This approach encourages a well-rounded exploration of the subject matter, allowing you to delve into various perspectives and gain a deeper insight into the complexities surrounding this historical event.

Tue. & Wed., Sept. 15 & 16      6–8 p.m.      ESC  
\$19/person      David Yorks

# HEALTH & WELLNESS

## Face Fitness: Lift, Tone, and Revitalize Your Face

Most fitness programs strengthen the body from the neck down, but the face contains more than 40 muscles that influence tone, circulation and appearance. In this unique class, you will learn simple and effective facial exercises and lymphatic techniques designed to tone facial muscles, improve circulation, reduce tension and support a lifted, refreshed, and more radiant, youthful appearance. You will leave with a structured sequence you can continue using at home to maintain results between sessions. Please bring a facial oil of your choice.

Tue., Sept. 22–Oct. 27 6:30–7:15 p.m. ESC  
\$85/person Ally Aletha

## Becoming Superhuman: The 7 States That Create Extraordinary Results

Becoming Superhuman is an inspiring workshop that reveals how the internal states we cultivate shape the results we create in our lives. In this powerful session, you will learn how to consciously shift your mental and emotional state to improve clarity, energy, relationships, creativity, and overall well-being. Learn practical tools and simple daily disciplines that help quiet mental noise, build resilience, increase focus, and create a more empowered way of living and working. This engaging presentation blends insight, inspiration and actionable practices that can be applied immediately.

Thu., Oct. 1 6:30–8 p.m. ESC  
\$35/person Ally Aletha

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## Introducing Ally Aletha

Ally Aletha is a wellness educator, fitness professional, and yoga instructor with more than 20 years of experience leading transformative classes, workshops and coaching programs. Known for her ability to connect, inspire, and drive real results, she blends movement, mindset, and practical strategies to help people elevate how they feel, move and live. She is also the author of *A Noble Truth*, an inspirational book on resilience, healing and personal growth.

## Achieve a New Level in Life by Changing Your Habits

Join us for an interactive and educational session where we dive into the fascinating world of gut health and explore how it impacts our overall well-being! In this class, you will learn practical strategies to support your digestive system and maintain a healthy and balanced microbiome. We'll discover the power of food in promoting digestive health! We will explore a range of nutrient-rich foods that help nourish your gut and fermented foods packed with probiotics, and prebiotic foods that support beneficial bacteria. We'll also discuss supplements such as digestive enzymes and probiotics. We'll understand the critical connection between the gut and the brain, known as the gut-brain axis, and learn how it influences your mood, immunity and overall health. We'll introduce lifestyle practices like mindful eating, fostering both mental and physical well-being. And we'll experience hands-on learning with a DIY workshop on fermenting your own sauerkraut! You'll learn step-by-step how to prepare this simple yet powerful probiotic-rich food, which can help diversify your gut microbiome and support digestion. Please bring a notebook and pen.

Wed., Nov. 18 6–7 p.m. ESC  
\$29/person Liubov Ganina

## Aromatouch Workshop: The Art of Gentle Healing

Join us for a soothing and transformative experience in this hands-on workshop! In this demo class, you'll be introduced to the art of Aromatouch, a gentle and therapeutic technique that combines essential oils with the power of touch to promote relaxation, balance and healing. Watch live demonstrations and learn how to use essential oils to support emotional wellness and physical health. You'll also master the techniques that help restore harmony to the body and mind. Perfect for those looking to enhance their self-care routine or offer healing to others!

Wed., Oct. 14 6–7:30 p.m. ESC  
\$45/person Liubov Ganina



# HEALTH AND WELLNESS

## Introduction to DBT Skills: A One-Hour Preview

Curious about DBT (Dialectical Behavior Therapy)? This one-hour class offers a brief, practical introduction to skills you can start using right away. You'll learn a variety of simple DBT tools to help you manage stress, navigate emotions, and respond more effectively in everyday situations. This session is designed to be interactive, accessible, and immediately useful—no prior experience needed. This class is a great way to get a feel for DBT and Nicole's teaching style before committing to a longer course. You can find Nicole's four-session DBT class Real Skills for Real Life online which begins Thursday, October 22. This is an educational, skills-based class (not group therapy or crisis support).

Thu., Sept. 10      6–7 p.m.      ESC  
\$9/person      Nicole Grove



### Meet instructor Nicole Grove

Nicole is a DBT coach for an online psychoeducational platform and a certified mindfulness teacher, having trained for two years with world-renowned experts in the field. She holds a Master's degree in education and creates a warm, supportive space where participants feel safe, seen, and heard. Participants often describe her teaching style as clear, relatable, and grounded, with one noting that her "purity of intention is refreshing."

## Real Skills for Real Life: Manage Emotions, Relationships, and Challenges

This small-group class teaches practical, research-based DBT (Dialectical Behavior Therapy) skills to help you manage intense emotions, communicate more effectively, and respond to life's challenges with greater confidence. DBT is a skills-based approach that combines mindfulness, emotional regulation, and interpersonal effectiveness tools to help you stay grounded, build stronger relationships, and navigate stress more skillfully.

This class may be a good fit for you if you want to manage overwhelming emotions more effectively, improve communication and strengthen relationships, feel more grounded during moments of stress, stop feeling like you have to figure everything out on your own. Meaningful change is often easier and more sustainable, when you don't do it alone.

Learn and practice DBT skills alongside others working toward similar goals. Each session introduces 2-3 practical skills you can apply right away, along with guided discussion about how those skills are used in real-life situations. This combination of learning and practice helps your skills take hold and create lasting change.

You'll learn how to: Stay grounded during emotional overwhelm, communicate your needs clearly and effectively, set boundaries with confidence and respond thoughtfully instead of reacting impulsively.

This class is beginner-friendly and does not require prior therapy experience. It is educational and skills-based (not group therapy or crisis support).

If you are currently in crisis or need immediate mental health support, this class may not be the best fit. Space is limited to 8 participants to keep the group supportive and personal. Early registration is encouraged.

Thu., Oct. 22–Nov. 12      6–7:15 p.m.      ESC  
\$79/person      Nicole Grove

## Understanding Your Dreams and Their Messages

The class was designed for those who are interested in interpreting their dreams for the purpose of raising their consciousness and improving their life. It is for people who wish to decipher the symbols and messages in dreams to better understand themselves and the choices they make. The facilitator takes a light-hearted approach to understanding the world of dreams in a relaxed environment.

Topics will include historical dream research, what are dreams and how we can remember them, basic dream types, general and unique dream symbols, dream messages and signs, understanding dream content. There will be a dream interpretation activity for those participants that bring to class a recent or reoccurring dream.

You will receive a dream interpretation guide to help with the process and will also take home a copy of the facilitator's slides so you are able to revisit the material.

Why dreams may be important to you: Dreams can provide guidance and healing of the body, mind and spirit. Dreams can provide direction in family, business and financial matters, including career and academics.

Dreams can provide encouragement, inspiration, and creative solutions to problems. Dreams provide a unique perspective of ourselves. We often get our perspective of ourselves from other people. These perspectives are often inaccurate and can influence the choices that we make.

Understanding our dreams allows us to make better choices for a better life. Dreams can expand consciousness and reveal who you really are.

Wed., Sept. 30      6:30–8:30 p.m.      ESC  
\$39/person      Michelle Wasti

Wed., Nov. 4      6:30–8:30 p.m.      ESC  
\$39/person      Michelle Wasti

# HEALTH AND WELLNESS

## Makeup Boot Camp for Women

When was the last time you updated your makeup and beauty regime? Has your skin changed over time? What about your hair color? Join this “Bootcamp” to update your look with tips and techniques for ageless beauty. Learn about a variety of products, some may be new to you, applications and the latest in makeup and skincare. Julie Sherman is a makeup artist with 35 years of experience. No products or services will be sold! This class is essential for busy, beautiful women who could use a little updating

Wed., Sept. 30 6:30–8:30 p.m. ESC  
\$39/person Julie Sherman

## Making the Most of Your Long-Term Care Insurance Benefits

Do you have long-term care insurance and want a clearer understanding of what it covers? Every policy is different. This class explains covered services, benefit limits, elimination periods, inflation riders and what triggers coverage. Participants will also learn how to file a claim, what paperwork is required, and how to use their policy effectively for home care or assisted living. Understand key policy terms such as elimination periods, benefit maximums and inflation riders. Identify what services and settings are covered. Recognize the triggers for coverage, including ADLs and cognitive impairment criteria. Learn steps to file a claim and avoid delays or denials.

Thu., Sept. 17 6:30–8 p.m. ESC  
\$19/person Greg Getchell

## Witches' Brews: Essential Oil Potions for Halloween

Unleash your inner potion master in this exciting DIY workshop! Explore the magic of essential oils as we guide you in crafting Halloween potions that will fill your home with enchanting aromas. You'll blend your own essential oils to create Halloween-inspired potions, whether it's a captivating fragrance or a spooky room mist. By the end of the class, you'll leave with magical creation that add a touch of mystery to your Halloween celebrations—perfect for setting a haunted atmosphere or for gifting to friends!

Fri., Oct. 30 6–7 p.m. ESC  
\$29/person Liubov Ganina



## Tai Chi and Qigong Mix It Up!

New to Tai Chi and/or Qigong? Or just interested in having fun and learning different exercises? Join us to “sample” different Tai Chi classes. You'll have the opportunity to try the following: Qigong, Acupoints, Yang Short Form; SUN Tai Chi for Arthritis, Chronic Pain and Balance; Tai Chi Ruler; Tai Chi Bang Stick and Baoding Ball. No experience needed, just a curious and adventurous mind. Appropriate for most physical conditions. Wear comfortable, loose clothing and flat shoes. No sandals please.

Tue., Sept. 15-Oct. 20 6:30–7:30 p.m. OMS  
\$85/person Christine Morgan

Tue., Nov. 11-Dec. 15 6:30–7:30 p.m. OMS  
\$85/person Christine Morgan

## Total Relaxation: Restorative Yoga & Energy Healing

This gentle yoga class offers calm, accessible movement to help improve flexibility, mobility, balance and overall comfort in the body. Each session includes slow movement, light stretching and simple breathing techniques to support relaxation, reduce stress and build body awareness. Participants will learn to release tension and move with greater ease while developing a stronger connection to their body. Options are provided throughout the class, making it a good fit for both beginners and experienced students who prefer a more relaxed pace. Please bring a yoga mat; optional props such as blocks, straps or a blanket is also welcome.

Wed., Sept. 9–Oct. 28 7–8 p.m. OMS  
\$135/person Lisa Newkirk

## Restorative Yoga for Deep Relaxation

This restorative yoga class helps you slow down, rest and reset through fully supported poses held for longer periods of time. Using props such as bolsters, blankets and blocks, the practice creates comfort and allows the body to release tension. Each session takes place in a calm, quiet setting designed to relax the nervous system, reduce stress and promote deep rest and renewal. Gentle guidance helps participants to let go of physical and mental tension and settle into a more restful state. No prior yoga experience is needed and all poses are designed for ease and comfort. Please bring a yoga mat and consider bringing blankets or cushions for added support.

Fri., Sept. 11–Oct. 30 5:30-6:30 p.m. OMS  
(Skip Oct. 16)  
\$119/person Lisa Newkirk

# HOME AND GARDEN



## Basic Home Electrical Repair Class 1 & 2 (Combined)

### Session 1: Electrical Repair Basics

Learn the basics of your home's electrical system in this hands-on class. You'll go over different types of wires, wire sizes (called "gauges"), and how to use them safely. The instructor will show you how to strip wire correctly, attach wires to outlets, switches and light fixtures and use basic testing tools. Please bring straight and Phillips screwdrivers, long-nose pliers and wire strippers if you have them.

### Session 2: Advanced Electrical Repair

Keep building your skills in this hands-on class! You'll learn how to safely install light switches (single-pole and 3-way), outlets and light fixtures. You'll even wire a light bulb and test the circuit to see how it works. We'll talk about different types of light bulbs and how to choose the right LED bulb. You'll also learn about installing ceiling fans and other fixtures. Please bring your own wire stripper, straight and Phillips screwdrivers and long-nose pliers if you have them.

Tue., Nov. 10 & 17 6–8 p.m. MGMS  
\$99/person Tod Novinska

### Power Tools for Women I

Discover the basics of woodworking in this fun, hands-on class! You'll learn how to safely use power tools like drills, sanders, routers and saws. Your instructor, Francis Kaas, is a Master Carpenter with over 30 years of experience. Week 1: Learn how to use each tool and stay safe while working. Week 2: Build a small bench to take home! What to bring: Safety goggles, a tape measure and a pencil. Tie back long hair and don't wear loose clothing (for safety). Class takes place in a large, heated workshop with lots of space, tools and parking. Supply fee: \$35 paid to the instructor at class.

Tue., Sept. 15–Sept. 22 6:30–8:30 p.m.  
\$59/person Fran Kaas

Tue., Oct. 20–Oct. 27 6:30–8:30 p.m.  
\$59/person Fran Kaas

Location:

Fran's Woodworking Shop  
7155 160th Lane NW  
Ramsey, MN

### Power Tools for Women II

Keep the fun going in this follow-up to Power Tools I! In this hands-on class, you'll build a small end table with a bookshelf underneath. You must have taken Power Tools I or get permission from the instructor to join. Your instructor, Fran Kaas, is a Master Carpenter with over 30 years of experience in home building and remodeling. Important Info: You'll need to take your project home after the first night and bring it back for the second. Tie back long hair (for safety) and don't wear loose clothing. Bring safety goggles, a tape measure and a pencil. Supply fee: \$70–\$85 (based on lumber prices) paid to the instructor at class.

Tue., Oct. 6–Oct. 13 6:30–8:30 p.m.  
\$59/person Fran Kaas

Tue., Nov. 10–Nov. 17 6:30–8:30 p.m.  
\$59/person Fran Kaas

Location:

Fran's Woodworking Shop  
7155 160th Lane NW  
Ramsey, MN

### Simple Steps to Downsizing

Are you thinking about moving or downsizing but not sure where to start? This class will walk you through easy steps to get you started. Whether you're planning to downsize in the year or the next five years, this is a great place to begin. You'll learn helpful tips, what to do first, and how to avoid common (and costly) mistakes. You'll leave with your plan started, feeling more confident and ready to take the next step.

Tue., Nov. 17 6:30–8 p.m. ESC  
\$15/person Steve Hoem

### Basic Home Plumbing Repair

Want to feel more confident handling small plumbing repairs at home? In this class, you'll learn how your home's plumbing system works and get hands-on practice with basic repairs. Learn about different types of plastic and metal pipes, take apart and fix different kinds of faucets, replace a pop-up drain assembly and talk about how toilets work inside. This class is great for beginners who want to save money and feel more comfortable doing simple plumbing jobs.

Tue., Nov. 24 6–8:30 p.m. MGMS  
\$65/person Tod Novinska

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# ONLINE CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Learn from expert instructors from anywhere. Whether you are at home, on the go or juggling a busy schedule, our online classes offer the flexibility you need.

## ARTS & CREATIVITY

- Be a Better Writer - 10 Easy Tips to Improve Your Writing Now
- Beginner's Guide to Getting Published
- Editing & Ghostwriting 101: Get Paid to Refine/Craft Other People's Stories
- How to Write Your Life Story (for fun or profit)
- Instant Ukulele for Hopelessly Busy People
- Meet the Publisher/Agent - Get Your Manuscript Critiqued
- Nonfiction Writing Essentials: Tell True Stories with Purpose
- Write Your First Novel (in 90 Days!)
- Writing for Children - A Beginner's Guide

## COOKING & NUTRITION

- Art of Samosas: Scratch-made Wrappers, Flavorful filling, & 3 Ways to Cook!
- Better-Than-Cinnabon® Cinnamon Rolls, and Dreamy Tiramisu! (No Raw Eggs)
- Bring the Wok Home: 3 Quick & Healthy Asian Rice Bowls for Easy Dinners & Meal Prep
- French Macarons with Salted Caramel Buttercream and Chocolate Glaze
- Handcrafted Tortellini Workshop
- Japanese Miso Ramen from Scratch
- K-Pop Bulgogi Kimbap: Gourmet Korean Signature Rice Rolls
- Mexican Tamales
- Moroccan Pastilla: Morocco's Famous Chicken Pie
- Ramen Revival: Transforming the Humble Ramen into a Gourmet Feast!
- Savory Galette and Apple Strudel
- Sweet & Savory Kolache: Czech Classics & Texas-Style Favorites
- The Art of Carnitas & Homemade Tortillas
- Vietnamese Street Food

## FAMILY & FINANCE

- ACT/SAT and College Planning Strategies
- \$Monetize\$ Websites, Blogs, and Social Media with Affiliate Marketing

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

- Introduction to DBT Skills: A One-Hour Preview
- Abdominal Strengtheners That Won't Stress Your Back or Neck
- Hips, Thighs & Otherwise
- Overcome Your Carbohydrate Cravings
- Posture, Get it Straight! Look 10 Years Younger and Feel Better
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- Rejuvenate Your Brain - Improve Cognitive Function at Any Age
- The Art of Aging Well - Peel Years Off Your BioAge
- Thyroid Things You Need to Know

## LANGUAGES

- Adult Conversational Spanish - Beginner Part 1 (Live Virtual)
- Adult Conversational Spanish - Beginner Part 2 (Live Virtual)
- Adult Conversational Spanish - Intermediate Part 1 (Live Virtual)
- Adult Spanish for Travelers
- Adult Conversational Spanish - Beginner Part 1 (Live Virtual)
- Adult Conversational Spanish - Beginner Part 2 (Live Virtual)
- Adult Conversational Spanish - Intermediate Part 1 (Live Virtual)

## TECHNOLOGY

- Beginner's Guide to Using Free ChatGPT (AI) for Writers
- Canva for Awesome Beginners
- Canva Power Hour: Advanced Tricks That Save You Time!
- Phone Photo Rescue Workshop for Beginners!
- Practical ChatGPT Tips for Beginners
- Swipe Smart: A Safety Guide to Dating Apps
- Your Kid's Phone: A Parent's Survival Guide



Scan the QR code to read full descriptions and register for an online class at [osseoschools.arux.app](https://osseoschools.arux.app). Questions? Call 763-391-7242 or email the Adult Enrichment staff at [communityeducationae@district279.org](mailto:communityeducationae@district279.org).

# DISTRICT 279 FOUNDATION



**For over 30 years District 279 Foundation, a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization has been dedicated to supporting scholars in Osseo Area Schools.**

District 279 Foundation supports and enhances the district's dedication to all scholars by funding innovative and creative projects that enhance curriculum, experiential learning opportunities or contribute to the community. All proceeds, including those from the A Night Out Gala are disbursed through various grant applications throughout the school year.

**Our mission:** To support and enhance the district's dedication to all scholars.

**Our vision:** To provide learning opportunities for scholars in Osseo Area Schools by funding programs, projects and other opportunities that are not currently funded through the district's budget.

**Our core values:** We believe that there is a moral, social and economic imperative to support scholar success and equitable achievement.

**Learn more at [district279foundation.org](http://district279foundation.org)**

## Investment In Youth Celebration





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# ENROLLMENT CENTER

**Your one-stop shop for enrollment services.**

## The Enrollment Center can help with:

- Tuition Free prekindergarten enrollment
- K–12 school enrollment
- Magnet school enrollment
- Open enrollment
- New or returning enrollments
- Change of address



We love welcoming new families to the Osseo Area Schools! Whether it is preschool and kindergarten students for their first school experience or families moving to our community, we help families and students find their path.

Kristin Tollison  
Enrollment Center Coordinator

## Northwest Family Service Center (First floor)

7051 Brooklyn Boulevard  
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

**Phone:** 763-585-7350

**Email:** [EnrollmentCenter@district279.org](mailto:EnrollmentCenter@district279.org)

## Open year-round\*

Mon.–Fri.

Hours: 7:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

## \*Enrollment Center will be closed:

- July 3, 2026
- Oct. 21, 2026
- Nov. 18, 2026
- Nov. 24, 2026
- Nov. 25, 2026
- Nov. 26, 2026
- Nov. 27, 2026
- Dec. 9, 2026
- Jan. 1, 2027

**GET STARTED**



[osseoschools.org/enroll](https://osseoschools.org/enroll)



# FIND YOUR PATH IN OSSEO AREA SCHOOLS

Dream. Explore. Discover.

Osseo Area Schools delivers an exceptional educational experience to approximately 21,000 students, from early childhood through adulthood. Students thrive through outstanding opportunities, robust support and strong community partnerships that encourage lifelong learning.

## Four different ways to submit enrollment materials:

1. **Online:** [osseoschools.org/enroll-now](https://osseoschools.org/enroll-now)
2. **Email:** [enrollmentcenter@district279.org](mailto:enrollmentcenter@district279.org)
3. **Fax:** 763-585-7368
4. **In-person:** 7:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. (Mon.–Fri.)  
Enrollment Center:  
7051 Brooklyn Boulevard,  
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429



[osseoschools.org/popsiclesandpaperwork](https://osseoschools.org/popsiclesandpaperwork)



Scan the QR code to learn more about the event!

## Who should apply?

### An enrollment packet is required if:

- Your child is new to Osseo Area Schools

### An application (transfer or magnet) is required if:

- Your child is currently enrolled in Osseo Area Schools and requests a different school
- You want to enroll your child into a magnet school/program

### Applications are typically not required for students who are:

- Continuing at their current school or magnet program to next grade level
- Currently enrolled residents in the Osseo Area Schools district boundaries who are entering sixth grade or ninth grade and are following their school's enrollment pathway

For more information visit [osseoschools.org/enroll](https://osseoschools.org/enroll).



# Osseo Area Schools



## We're hiring event staff

Join the Facilities Scheduling team and help support community events in Osseo Area Schools.

We're looking people to help host events in our schools by welcoming and supporting community permit holders using school district facilities.

To get started, complete an online application.

**APPLY TODAY**



[osseoschools.org/careers](https://osseoschools.org/careers)

### Employment opportunities include:

- Building Supervisors
- Lead Building Supervisors
- Auditorium Technicians
- Auditorium Managers
- Set Up/Tear Down Crew



These flexible, part-time roles are great for people who enjoy working with others and making a difference!

# FACILITY RENTALS

## Need a place for your next event?

Osseo Area Schools has a wide range of spaces available to rent after school, on weekends and during the summer. Our facilities are open to individuals, groups, non-profits and businesses.

### Available spaces include:

- **Classrooms and meeting rooms** for small groups
- **Large cafeterias** for banquets or community events
- **State-of-the-art auditoriums** with professional sound and lighting technology for performances, presentations or religious services
- **Gymnasiums** for athletics, recreation classes and events.
- **Outdoor turf and grass fields** for athletic practices and tournaments

Osseo Area Schools' Community Education Facilities Scheduling team manages all rentals and can help you find the right space.



**Ready to reserve?**

To check availability and request a facility permit, view the website [ce.osseoschools.org/facility-rentals](http://ce.osseoschools.org/facility-rentals) or scan the QR code.



**Questions about facility rentals?** Email [facilities@district279.org](mailto:facilities@district279.org) or call 763-391-7123.

## PERMIT PROCESSING TIMELINE

Priority Group	Fall use Sept. 6–Nov. 15		Winter use Nov. 16–Feb. 28		Spring use March 1–June 10		Summer use June 11–Sept. 5	
	Request deadline	Notification by	Request deadline	Notification by	Request deadline	Notification by	Request deadline	Notification by
<b>Priority 2</b> Governmental, municipally affiliated athletic associations and youth groups	July 15	Aug. 30	Oct. 15	Oct. 30	Dec. 1	Jan. 30	March 15	March 30
<b>Priority 3</b> Non-profit, neighborhood and faith based groups	June 15	Aug. 30	Aug. 15	Oct. 30	Dec. 1	Jan. 30	March 1	March 30
<b>Priority 4</b> Commercial groups	June 15	Aug. 30	Aug. 15	Oct. 30	Dec. 1	Jan. 30	March 1	March 30



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