



OSSEO AREA SCHOOLS

Community Education

**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.

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A message from Supt. Dr. Kim Hiel: Community Education has something for everyone!

Greetings, and welcome to Osseo Area Schools' refreshed Community Education program catalog for fall/winter 2025-26! While you may be used to receiving a few different catalogs from different portions of our district's wide-ranging Community Education programming areas, the goal of this all-in-one guidebook is to provide one clear, comprehensive catalog full of classes, programs and events for all ages.

Here at Osseo Area Schools, our mission is taken seriously – to inspire and prepare each and every scholar with the confidence, courage and competence to achieve their dreams; contribute to community; and engage in a lifetime of learning. The heartbeat of our Community Education programs lie in that last phrase: *a lifetime of learning*.

Inside this catalog, you'll find a number of opportunities for all members of this beautiful, vibrant community to continue learning, growing and enjoying life in all kinds of meaningful ways. Whether that comes from a baby's first Early Childhood Family Education class to after-school enrichment for elementary students, Driver's Education for teens, GED preparation and online or in person adult enrichment courses, we know Osseo Area Schools' Community Education enriches the minds and lives of each learner - no matter their age or stage in life.

I encourage you to take some time to read this comprehensive catalog, see what sparks your interest and perhaps take a chance on something new that excites you, your student or family!

You never know what a lifetime of learning could entail for you when you explore new experiences. Get out there and discover why Community Education matters!

Warmly,

Dr. Kim Hiel
Superintendent
Osseo Area Schools



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EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION

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

We're excited for you and your child to join us! ECFE classes help you connect with other families and support your child's 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 you are joining us for the first time or are returning.



Registration opened July 9; lottery held Aug. 6, 2025.

To view the current classes or register online visit bit.ly/Register_ECFE or scan code.



Arbor View Early Childhood Center

9401 Fernbrook Ln. N
Maple Grove, MN 55369
Phone: 763-391-8777
Email: ecfe@district279.org



Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

7020 Perry Ave. N
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429
Phone: 763-585-7330
Email: ecfe@district279.org

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 three, screening can spot concerns early and connect you with support and resources to help your child thrive.



Ready to schedule?

Visit bit.ly/EC_Screening
or scan the code.

Need help? Call 763-391-8777

ECFE VISITS

Get one-on-one support from a licensed parent educator.

ECFE Visits are for families with children from birth to age eight.

During visits, you'll talk about your child's development, get answers to parenting questions and learn fun activities to do together.

Whether you're a new parent or have older children, these visits offer time to focus on what matters most to your family.



Ready to get started?

Call 763-391-8777
for more information
or scan the code to visit
bit.ly/LearnMoreECFE

PRESCHOOL AND PRE-K

Support your child's first school experience with a curriculum aligned to district kindergarten standards.

Licensed teachers create inclusive classrooms and partner with families on learning goals. Choose flexible morning or afternoon classes, two to five days per week, at multiple locations. Preschool is available for children who turn three by Sept. 1, 2025 at three locations. Pre-K is available for children who turn four by Sept. 1, 2025 at seven locations, with possible free transportation. Tuition is based on family income and scholarships are available.



Want to learn more? Visit bit.ly/Register_PreK
or scan the code. Call 763-391-8777 with any questions.



INFANT CLASSES

Register based on your baby'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, songs and get parenting tips. Talk about bonding, brain development, milestones, daily routines, feeding, sleep and more. Families stay together the whole class. All infant classes are non-separating,



The Fourth Trimester (Birth-12 weeks)

The first 12 weeks after your baby is born are very important for you and your baby. This class helps you understand what to expect, gives you helpful resources and lets you know that challenges are normal. You will weigh and measure your baby, watch their growth and learn about sleep, bonding, development and mental health. Join us to connect with other families, share experiences, learn and grow together.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Monday	9/15/2025 - 11/3/2025	8	1-2:15 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Monday	11/10/2025 - 1/12/2026	8	1-2:15 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

Infant Massage (Birth-9 months)

Use gentle massage to connect with your baby. Learn how to understand your baby's signals and use massage to help with sleep, digestion, brain growth and bonding.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 9/16/2025	2	1:30-2:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	10/7/2025 - 10/14/2025	2	1:30-2:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	11/11/2025 - 11/18/2025	2	1:30-2:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	12/2/2025 - 12/9/2025	2	1:30-2:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	1/6/2026 - 1/13/2026	2	1:30-2:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE) | Need help to register? Call 763-391-8777 or email ecfe@district279.org

INFANT CLASSES

Infants (Birth to 18 months)

Spend time with your baby in a space made just for infants. Meet other families and enjoy play, songs and support. Learn about bonding, brain growth, baby milestones, feeding, sleep and daily routines. Get ideas for play and tips to support your baby's development.

Birth-6 months

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 10/28/2025	8	10:45 a.m. - noon	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	11/11/2025 - 1/13/2026	8	10:45 a.m. - noon	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

Birth-9 months

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Friday	9/12/2025 - 1/16/2026	15	9-10:15 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

Birth-12 months

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	8:45-10 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	5:30-6:45 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 1/13/2026	16	9-10:15 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	16	10:30-11:45 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	16	1-2:15 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Thursday	9/11/2025 - 1/15/2026	15	8:45-10 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

9-18 months

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Friday	9/12/2025 - 1/16/2026	15	10:45 a.m. - noon	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



ONES AND TWOS CLASSES

For children one-year-old at the start of the class.

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

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 1/13/2026	16	8:30-10 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Thursday	9/11/2025 - 1/15/2026	15	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Thursday	9/11/2025 - 1/15/2026	15	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Friday	9/12/2025 - 1/16/2026	15	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

Non-separating classes

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	11-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	5:30-7 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

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

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 1/13/2026	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 5/12/2026	31	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

Your toddler is growing fast; more words, more confidence and more curiosity. 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 what matters now: 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.

TWO TO FIVES CLASSES

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 curious 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.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 1/13/2026	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Thursday	9/11/2025 - 1/15/2026	15	10 a.m.- noon	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center
Friday	9/12/2025 - 1/16/2026	15	8:30-10 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

Adventures with Dad

For all father figures: dads, grandpas, uncles and more.

Bring your two to five-year-old and enjoy quality time in a class made for fun, learning and connection. We'll also dig into parenting topics that matter; centered on the experiences and impact of fatherhood.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Friday	9/12/2025 - 1/16/2026	15	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

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. Dig in the mud kitchen, splash in the water table, climb, build and discover in a space full of nature-based fun.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 1/13/2026	16	10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	Arbor View Nature Play Area
Thursday	9/11/2025 - 10/9/2025	5	5:30-7 p.m.	Arbor View Nature Play Area



ON THE WAY TO PRESCHOOL & BIRTH TO FIVE CLASSES

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, with you by their side. View the class-specific fee scale online.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Friday	9/12/2025 - 1/16/2026	15	10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

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. View the class-specific fee scale online. Sibling Care may be available for this class.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Thursday	9/11/2025 - 5/14/2026	30	9-11 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



Look on page 16 for preschool and prekindergarten programs for children who turn 3 or 4 by Sept. 1, 2025.

BIRTH TO FIVE CLASSES

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

Multi-age classes are for families with children from birth to five-years-old. You will explore together through activities that engage every age and stage. Parent discussions cover topics like milestones, positive guidance, sibling relationships, screen time and more, tailored to the group's interests. Infants under five months stay with their parents during discussion time. Separation for older children depends on the group's needs.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Tuesday	9/9/2025 - 1/13/2026	16	1:30-3 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	16	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	16	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	16	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center
Thursday	10/23/25 - 1/15/26	10	5:30-7 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

BIRTH TO FIVE CLASSES

Adventures with Dad

Enjoy time with your child in a class full of fun, learning and connection. You will also talk about parenting and what it's like to be a dad or father figure. A Friday daytime class for children ages two to five is also available. See page 9 for details.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Thursday	9/11/2025 - 1/15/2026	15	5:30-7 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. Through shared experiences, play and conversation, we nurture strong roots, joyful moments and lasting community.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Friday	9/12/2025 - 1/16/2026	15	9-10:30 a.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

Circle of Security online class

Parents sometimes wonder what their child really needs from them. The Circle of Security Parenting™ (COSP) program helps you understand your child's cues and build a stronger, more secure relationship. This online class includes videos, reflection, skill-building, and discussion, led by a registered COSP facilitator and licensed parent educator. Join live sessions on Google Meet.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	16	1:30-2:45 p.m.	Online

New! ECFE Next Steps

This class is for families who have taken ECFE before and are ready for what comes next. Whether you're parenting one or more children, we will explore new strategies, celebrate what is working and support each child's unique journey together.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	17	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center



BIRTH TO FIVE CLASSES

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. Through shared stories, play and conversation, we nurture understanding, joy and a strong, supportive community.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Tuesday	9/16/2025 - 10/28/2025	7	5:30-7 p.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

Parenting Your Child with Special Needs

This class is for families raising a child with delays, disabilities or medical needs. Join a welcoming space to play, grow and share the journey. You're not alone. Come build a community where every child and parent is seen, supported and celebrated.

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Tuesday	11/11/2025 - 1/6/2026	7	5:30-7 p.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

CLASE DE ESPAÑOL

Un espacio acogedor para que las familias de habla hispana se conecten y crezcan juntas. Padres conversan en español con un educador con licencia, reciben apoyo en el desarrollo de sus hijos y reflexionan sobre sus valores. Los niños aprenden jugando.

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

Para los padres, ECFE 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
martes	9/9/2025 - 1/1/2026	16	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	Centro de Primera Infancia de Willow Lane
viernes	12/9/2025 - 1/1/2026	15	11 a.m.-1 p.m.	Centro de Primera Infancia de Willow Lane

Saturdays with ECFE!

One-time Saturday classes for families with young children. Each session features a unique theme with fun activities and learning opportunities.

Saturday, Oct. 25 - Arbor View Early Childhood Center

- Infants (birth-12 mo.) - 9:30-10:45 a.m.
- Messy Art (birth-5 yrs.) - 9:30-11 a.m.
- Nature Play Area (birth-5 yrs.) - 9:30-11 a.m.

Saturday, Nov. 8 - Arbor View Early Childhood Center

- Infants (birth-12 mo.) - 9:30-10:45 a.m.
- Music and Movement (birth-5 yrs.) - 9:30-11 a.m.
- Nature Play Area (birth-5 yrs.) - 9:30-11 a.m.

Saturday, Nov. 15 - Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

- Infants (birth-12 mo.) - 9:30-10:45 a.m.
- Big Brother/Big Sister (birth-5 yrs.) - 9:30-11 a.m.
- Messy Art (birth-5 yrs.) - 9:30-11 a.m.

Saturday, Dec. 6 - Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

- Infants (birth-12 mo.) - 9:30-10:45 a.m.
- Adventures with Dad (birth-5 yrs.) - 9:30-11 a.m.
- Music and Movement (birth-5 yrs.) - 9:30-11 a.m.

YOGA CLASSES

Children must meet age requirements at the start of the class.

Build family bonds through movement, music and mindfulness. These age-specific classes help families connect, stretch and relax together while supporting physical development and emotional well-being.

- No experience needed, just bring a yoga mat or towel for each person.
- Adults must be able to get up and down from the floor unassisted.
- Instructor: Laura Honeck, E-RYT 200, RYT 500, M.Ed. in Parent and Family Education.

Yoga classes include:

- Infant bonding sessions with postpartum-safe movements
- Active classes for toddlers with songs and stories
- Family yoga creates lasting healthy routines



Yoga - Infant

For families with babies from birth up to crawling (approx. 9 months)

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Wednesday	9/17/2025 - 10/29/2025	7	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Wednesday	11/5/2025 - 1/7/2026	7	9-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

New! Yoga - Toddler/Preschool

For families with children ages 18 months/strong walkers to age three

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Wednesday	9/17/2025 - 10/29/2025	7	11 a.m. - noon	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Wednesday	11/5/2025 - 1/7/2026	7	11 a.m. - noon	Arbor View Early Childhood Center

Yoga - Family

For parents or caregivers and children ages four to eight

Day	Dates	Sessions	Time	Location
Saturday	10/25/2025 - 11/8/2025	3	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center
Saturday	11/15/2025 - 12/6/2025	3	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center

PLAYTIMES

Enjoy a safe, fun playtime with rotating activity stations including art, blocks, dramatic play, sensory exploration and education toys. Parents and children explore together, then gather for group time with songs, movement and stories.

Guidelines: No registration required. The 2025-26 school year 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. Play times are popular and space is limited.



Baby Playtime (Birth up to 24 months)

Day	Dates	Time	Location	No playtime
Monday	9/8/2025 - 1/12/2026	10:30-11:45 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center	Dec. 22, Dec. 29
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	8:45-10 a.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center	Nov. 26, Dec. 24, Dec. 31

Family Playtime (Birth up to 5 years-old)

Day	Dates	Time	Location	No playtime
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	9-10:30 a.m.	Willow Lane Early Childhood Center	Nov. 26, Dec. 24, Dec. 31
Wednesday	9/10/2025 - 1/14/2026	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Arbor View Early Childhood Center	



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. Plus, we have a gift for your new baby.



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



ECFE SLIDING FEE SCALES

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

Class Fee Scale							
Annual Household Income	1 week	2 weeks	3-5 weeks	6-10 weeks	11-13 weeks	14-17 weeks	Year-long rate
\$0 - \$19,999	Free	\$3	\$7	\$9	\$14	\$18	\$38
\$20,000 - \$34,999	\$1	\$9	\$16	\$33	\$54	\$67	\$115
\$35,000 - \$49,999	\$3	\$10	\$20	\$44	\$70	\$86	\$154
\$50,000 - \$74,999	\$4	\$12	\$23	\$49	\$79	\$99	\$181
\$75,000 - \$89,999	\$7	\$13	\$26	\$63	\$99	\$124	\$231
\$90,000 - \$114,999	\$9	\$15	\$30	\$75	\$119	\$149	\$286
\$115,000 - \$149,999	\$10	\$17	\$33	\$87	\$143	\$181	\$330
\$150,000 - \$199,999	\$12	\$20	\$38	\$98	\$167	\$213	\$385
\$200,000 +	\$13	\$23	\$44	\$109	\$191	\$245	\$440

Sibling Care Fee Scale - a one time fee per class.			
After the registration lottery, if you need Sibling Care, call the ECFE office at 763-391-8777. The ECFE office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. During the fall of 2025, Sibling Care is available for select classes on Thursdays only. Space is very limited. Sibling Care is for children ages five months to five years while a parent/caregiver is attending an ECFE class with another child. If you are registering a sibling that will turn five months old during the class, this child will need to be registered for Sibling Care at the time of registration.	Household Income	14-17 weeks	Year-long rate
	\$0 - \$19,999	\$17	\$38
	\$20,000 - \$49,999	\$67	\$115
	\$50,000 - \$89,999	\$87	\$154
	\$90,000 - \$149,999	\$99	\$181
	\$150,000 - \$199,999	\$124	\$231
	\$200,000+	\$149	\$286

PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Preschool and Pre-K programs

Support your child's first school experience with a curriculum aligned to district kindergarten standards. Licensed teachers create inclusive classrooms and partner with families on learning goals. 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.

- **Preschool** is available for children who turn 3 years old by Sept. 1. Three locations.
- **Pre-K** is available for children who turn 4 years old by Sept. 1. Seven locations in the district and free transportation to eligible students.

Free Half-Day, Every Day prekindergarten

A morning or afternoon prekindergarten program for children who turn 4 years old by Sept. 1. Seven locations in the district. Free transportation to eligible students. Must apply and then enroll at the Enrollment Center.

Some programs still have space available for the 2025–26 school year. Scan the code to learn more at district279.org/preschool



Four Star Express prekindergarten + care

A full-day, school-based child care and early learning program for children who turn 4 years old by Sept. 1. This tuition-based program is Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., and follows the school year calendar. Scholarships and child care assistance are available. Daily breakfast, lunch and snacks are included along with free transportation to eligible students.

New! Blast Wrap Around Care

A school-based child care program that supports students attending prekindergarten programs. This wrap around child care is currently offered only at Oak View Elementary School.

Care is available Monday through Friday, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on school days and most non-school days. Weekly tuition is required; scholarships and child care assistance are available. Registration is first come, first served.

If this program becomes available at more elementary schools, communication will be shared with families in the community.

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

Art Studio Reloaded, Holiday Gift Making Reloaded, Ooey Goey Clay Creations, **New!** Squishmallow Mystery Art, **New!** Holi-Dazzled Snow Globes, **New!** Myths & Legends: Medieval Art Adventure, **New!** Frosty Fun Art Workshop, Family Paint Night: Pumpkin Patch Gnomes, Family Paint Night: Cozy Owl, **New!** Spark Studio and **New!** Drawliday

Academic Boosters

New! English and Math, Language Arts and Math Club-Abacus Challenges

Kung Fu

Shaolin Kung Fu and Kid Fu

Music Lessons

Individual guitar and voice lessons

Safety

Home Alone Safety and Child and Babysitting Safety

Saturday Art Workshop

New! Wings of Fire Workshop

Theater

Lion King KIDS! and Seussical Kids

To view or register for Youth Enrichment programs, go to osseo.ce.eleyo.com or scan code.



STEM

Engineering for Kids, Jr. STEM Clubs 1, 2, 3, **New!** Medical Mysteries: Major Body Systems, Fingerprints, Spread of Infectious Disease and Experimenting with Our Brains, Video Game Creation and Robotics: Muscle Bots

Youth Sports

Amazing Athletes, DASH Basketball, 3V3 Hoops Skills Academy, **New!** Dryland Hockey Training, Skyhawks Basketball, Dash Jr. NBA Basketball, Flag Football, Skyhawks Flag Football, Skyhawks Pickleball, TGA Pickleball, After-school Soccer, TGA Tennis, TGA Golf, Amazing Athletes Sports Discovery and Osseo Area Schools' Racing Series

Plus Spanish and Chess Club!

The Youth Enrichment team is continuously evaluating how to expand programming. For the latest updates on Youth Enrichment offerings, check online!

Did you know?

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

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.

These 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.



At **Brooklyn Middle STEAM School**, learning continues beyond the school day through enrichment clubs. Three days a week after school, 300 students participate in engaging enrichment activities that expand interests, encourage skill development and foster personal growth and community building. Students are immersed in Bold Movers Step Dance Club, Future Chefs, Animal and Plant Club, Chess Club, School of Rock, Code Academy, Anime, Hoops and more. These dynamic opportunities blend art, science, technology, math, music and cultural studies, creating a well-rounded learning environment for students to continue to thrive after school.



At **Birch Grove School for the Arts**, from October through January, the building buzzes with energy two days a week as 114 students from kindergarten through fifth-grade participate in fun, after-school enrichment activities. The program is focused on enriching students' learning experiences by addressing their individual needs and fostering skill development beyond traditional academics. Through enrichment-focused hands-on activities, collaborative group projects and instructor support, students engage with their peers and grow together as a school community. Students collaborate on sight words, explore the rich traditions of Hmong culture, engineer boats and practice mindfulness. These activities provide a well-rounded enrichment experience, blending art, science, math, engineering, technology, language and culture.



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.



Each student has their own reason and drive to complete their GED or ESL education, and no two stories are the same. These stories and life experience weave together the tapestry that is the foundation of our program.

For example, some students have yet to complete high school due to dropping out early and assisting their parents with the household finances, putting the greater good of the family above their own education needs. Others did not commit to schooling the first time around and are striving to do better the second time, to provide themselves with a brighter future ahead. Many of our ESL students are arriving brave faced from war torn countries, looking for better opportunities and improved quality of life. There are students who have come back from homeschooling, students that are coming back from the military, students who sadly faced extreme bullying in school and chose a different route to complete their GED or ESL education.

I'm proud to be part of a program that offers a second chance to any person looking for one, and those that are willing to put in the work. I continually reassure each student that comes through my door that with each story, reason, history, and background, we are happy to have them here and they are welcome.

There is nothing more satisfying and joyful than seeing my students reach their academic goals. It's a blessing to see and take part in, and imparts meaning into all of the work that we do as teachers and staff of the school system and ABE program.

Yasmin Salyani
ABE Testing Coordinator

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Students brought the savanna to life in 'Disney's Lion King KIDS', presented by Osseo Area Schools' Community Education Youth Enrichment program.

Starting in early June, 50 students in grades 6-9 spent several weeks learning lines, choreography and songs to tell the story of Mufasa, Simba, Nala, Timon, Pumbaa and other beloved characters from the Pride Lands.

The summer musical enrichment program was offered in partnership with Bunce Backyard Productions, also known as The BEAT and Osseo Area Schools' Community Education's Youth Enrichment. The experience helped students build confidence, develop teamwork skills and explore the performing arts in a supportive and fun environment.

The production wrapped with performances on June 28 at Maple Grove Middle School. A full auditorium of family, friends and community members cheered on the cast and celebrated their hard work.



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It's been a joy to use the spaces at Osseo Senior High for our River Valley Church Maple Grove Campus services and events. We're so grateful for the partnership with the Osseo District Staff—their support and hospitality has made room for connection, worship and life-changing moments!

Rebekah Winkel
Project Manager
River Valley Church

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EXPLORE

In Osseo Area Schools' Community Education, students, staff and community members can 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.



On May 22, Willow Lane Early Childhood Center was a celebration of joy as Early Childhood Programs hosted its beloved, annual event.

The free event serves as the largest community gathering of the school year for EC&FE and ECSE families with children and is hosted in partnership with EC&FE, Early Childhood Special Education and the Early Childhood Parent Teacher Organization. This year's event welcomed 845 attendees.

At the social, families could get up close to big vehicles such as a school bus, police car, and Hennepin County water patrol boat and enjoy various activities stations to play with bubbles, get a temporary tattoo or henna art, face paint and enjoy time on the spacious playground. Families had the opportunity to enjoy free freezes and popcorn or purchase food from Eggroll Queen and Dos Hermanos food trucks on site.

"The Spring Social celebrates our fabulous families and wraps up another successful year," said Gretchen Dullinger, EC&FE program assistant. "And it did not disappoint - so many fun child friendly activities, topped off with visits from Spiderman, a Minion, and 'Willow' butterfly mascot - the smiles were plenty!"



On May 16, students in Community Education's Four Star Express prekindergarten program at Basswood Elementary School brought the classic "Three Piggy Opera" to life with a joyful performance in the school gym for staff and families.

Wearing matching pink tie-dye shirts and piggy ears, students told the familiar tale of "The Three Little Pigs" through music, movement and song. The playful opera featured catchy numbers such as the "Straw Peddler Song," "Stick Peddler Song," "Brick Peddler Song" and the old, big bad wolf's dramatic line, "I want a big, fat pig to eat!"

Each student had the opportunity to shine, showcasing creativity, confidence and teamwork on stage.

Under the guidance of vocal music teacher Ms. Stearns, students worked hard learning songs, speaking parts and choreography. Staff and families filled the gym with applause, celebrating the students' hard work and memorable achievement.

The student engagement in "Three Piggy Opera" is just one example of how Community Education programs create joyful, meaningful learning experiences.



When The Food Group launched its 'March For Hunger' food drive, the Kidstop school-age care program led the way in bringing Woodland Elementary School together to make a positive impact on food insecurity in the community.

Staff, students and families gathered donations at the school for the entire month of March.

The Food Group requested culturally specific foods that reflected and supported the traditions of East African, Latino, East European, Southeast Asian, Indigenous/Native and West African communities across the Twin Cities.

By participating in the food drive, students learned that food is an important part of every culture, that different communities have different food traditions, and that helping others in the community can make a meaningful impact.

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.



With more than 46 years of baking and teaching experience, including over 20 years with Osseo Area Schools' Community Education, Nancy Burgeson, an award-winning Baking Instructor, is a longtime favorite among students.

She's been featured on Twin Cities Live and Minnesota Live, and her baking talents have earned top honors at county and state fairs.

Nancy's Adult Enrichment classes this fall include: Marvelous Macarons, Mile High Apple Pie and Holiday Bake & Take.



The District 279 Foundation's Investment in Youth celebration was held May 4 at Park Center Senior High School.

Sixty-eight scholars, staff and volunteers were recognized and received awards for their outstanding contributions this school year. Each honoree's story of strength, perseverance, leadership and courage were shared during the award presentation.

2025 honorees were nominated in one of these six categories:

- Significant Investment in Developing Their Own Talents
- Significant Investment in Helping the Community
- Significant Investment in Modeling for Youth
- Significant Investment in Overcoming Adversity
- Significant Investment in the Betterment of Education
- Significant Investment in Their Own Learning

More than 350 attendees enjoyed a celebratory meal prepared by Osseo Area Schools' Food & Nutrition Services. The Park Center Senior High School robotics and gymnastics teams assisted with serving the meal and cleaning up.



During the school year, you can find Abby, a clerical ESP at Arbor View Early Childhood Center greeting families at the school's office with a radiant smile that instantly brightens anyone's day. No matter how early or busy, Abby always has a kind word ready for parents rushing in the building for drop-off or pick-up.

Children often ask if they can stop by "just to say hi to Abby." When they arrive to the front desk, Abby lights up with a smile.

"Miss Abby was the ONLY one who could calm my youngest down during class," shared parent Nicole Allbee. "It was like he found his person. Her calming presence made Stevie calm down instantly."

Another parent, Courtney Fuller, shared, "All of my boys love Miss Abby so much! I also love Miss Abby! She is so great to have mini-dumping sessions between pick-up and drop-off with."

In a world of rushed hellos and quick goodbyes, Abby's calm presence reminds others what truly matters; making each person feel seen, welcomed and important.

Abby is a shining example of mission-driven employees in Osseo Area Schools, making Arbor View Early Childhood Center feel like home to so many staff and families.



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 10 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 osseo.ce.eleyo.com or scan code.



“My kid's interests are supported and encouraged. -Katherine B., parent”



Summer Kidstop

Looking for a fun, flexible summer option for your kindergarten through fifth grade student?

Summer Kidstop is a full-day program that offers more than just child care. Students explore weekly themes, take field trips, enjoy hands-on activities and build friendships through play and choice-based learning.

Students are grouped by age for meaningful peer interaction and structured fun. Families choose the days they need (a 20-day minimum is required).

Summer Kidstop fills fast. Registration opens in March each year for the upcoming summer and is first come, first served. This is a tuition-based program. Child care assistance is available to families who qualify.



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Respectful and responsible staff - I feel comfortable leaving my kid in their care. My son loves the variety of gym and outdoor games. -Erin W., parent

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Opportunities for outdoor/active play, allowing older students to lead activities and teach skills. -Rebecca D., parent

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ADULT ENRICHMENT

Try something new. Meet new people. Have fun.

Adult Enrichment classes help you learn new skills, explore hobbies and connect with others in the community. Join Osseo Area Schools' Adult Enrichment classes to experience fun, learning and a welcoming space.

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!

To get started, email carstensm@district279.org

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It's been a privilege to partner with [Osseo Area Schools] in providing adult learners the tools and knowledge they need to stay connected in today's fast-paced digital world. In a world where technology is constantly evolving, it's more important than ever to help adults stay up to date.

- Nickie Welsh, Social Club Simple

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ARTS AND CREATIVITY

Exploring Pottery

Learn the basics of pottery through hands-on activities using slab designs, coils, slip molds, sprigs and textured techniques. You will also explore glazes and underglazes to give your work a finished look. Wear old clothes and hard-soled shoes. Bring your own tools and apron or lab coat, or use those provided. Note: Oct. 29 and Dec. 15 are for project pick-up only.

Wed., Sept. 3-Oct. 29 6:30-9 p.m. MGSB
No class Sept. 10, Oct. 8
\$135/person Chad Manders

Mon., Nov. 3-Dec. 15 6:30-9 p.m. MGSB
\$135/person Chad Manders

Acting for Everybody

Step into the spotlight and learn the tools actors use to bring characters to life. Discover how acting tells a story, and create your own characters and scenes in a supportive, creative setting.

Wed., Sept. 10-Oct. 15 7-9 p.m. ESC
\$149/person Mike Ricci

Watercolor Painting

Paint a beautiful watercolor scene with step-by-step guidance. Learn techniques such as dry brush, wet-on-wet and wet-on-dry.

Thurs., Sept. 11 6-8 p.m. OMS
\$45/person Vanessa Merry

Easy Bob Ross Oil Painting with Henry Jay Rupp - Waterfall

Perfect for beginners. Create a stunning oil painting of a waterfall. Optional frames with hanging clips will be available for purchase during class, priced between \$30 and \$40.

Sat., Sept. 20 10 a.m.-2 p.m. OMS
\$65/person Henry Jay Rupp

Create and Design a Wire Pumpkin Wreath

Celebrate the season by crafting your own festive wire pumpkin wreath. Follow step-by-step instructions from your instructor while learning the basics of floral design. Create a charming autumn decoration for your home.

Thurs., Sept. 25 6-9 p.m. ESC
\$59/person Lisa Morgan

Leathercraft 101: A Beginner's Guide

Want to make your own wallet, bag or accessories? This beginner-friendly class covers the basics of leatherworking. Learn how to choose leather, cut and stitch, and finish your project with your own style. By the end, you'll have a handcrafted leather item and the confidence to keep crafting.

Tues., Sept. 23, 30 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$95/person Jim Kern

Circle Singing

Experience the joy and health benefits of singing together in a community. Circle singing is a fun, stress-relieving way to connect with others through simple, improvised songs learned by ear. No music reading is required.

Sun., Sept. 28-Oct. 19 5-6 p.m. MGMS
\$59/person Nicole Grove

Fall Chunky Pumpkin

Celebrate the season by making a cozy, handcrafted pumpkin. Using finger knitting, you'll create a chunky pumpkin about 12 to 14 inches wide. Learn the technique together, then work at your own pace. Customize it to fit your style or décor.

Wed., Oct. 1 6:30-8 p.m. ESC
\$45/person Jane Helgestad

Paint Van Gogh's Starry Night

Create a beautiful watercolor inspired by Van Gogh's *Starry Night* with step-by-step guidance. Learn techniques like dry brush, wet-on-wet and wet-on-dry to bring your painting to life.

Wed., Oct. 1 6-8 p.m. OMS
\$49/person Vanessa Merry

Autumn Sunset Acrylic Painting

Capture the beauty of fall on canvas. In this beginner-friendly class, you'll paint an autumn landscape with a glowing sunset and trees using acrylic paints on stretched canvas. Learn color blending, composition and brush techniques.

Mon., Oct. 13 6:30-8:30 p.m. OMS
\$49/person Lisa Van Wyk

Easy Bob Ross Oil Painting with Henry Jay Rupp - Pansies

Perfect for beginners. Create a stunning oil painting of pansies. Optional frames with hanging clips will be available for purchase during class, priced between \$30 and \$40.

Sat., Oct. 25 10 a.m.-2 p.m. OMS
\$65/person Henry Jay Rupp

Smittens

Turn an old wool sweater into a cozy pair of "smittens" — stylish mittens made from upcycled materials. Patterns for all sizes, from child to adult, are available for \$5 from the instructor. Bring a sewing machine, thread, fabric scissors, pins or fabric weights, one wool sweater washed in hot water and dried on high heat, and 3/8 yard of matching or contrasting fleece fabric.

Wed., Oct. 29 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$39/person Sandra Bengtson

Upcycle It! Quilted Jacket

Give an old quilt a stylish new life by turning it into a unique jacket. This hands-on class is perfect for those with basic sewing skills. A \$5 pattern fee is payable to the instructor, or bring your own pattern. Bring a sewing machine, thread, fabric scissors, fabric marking pen or chalk, pins, ruler, seam ripper and a twin-size or larger quilt.

Mon., Nov. 3, 10 6-8:30 p.m. OMS
\$49/person Sandra Bengtson

LOCATION KEY:

ESC	Educational Service Center 11200 93rd Ave., Maple Grove, MN 55369
MGMS	Maple Grove Middle School 7000 Hemlock Ln N., Maple Grove, MN 55369
MGSB	Maple Grove Senior High 9800 Fernbrook Ln N., Maple Grove, MN 55369
OMS	Osseo Middle School 10223 93rd Ave N., Osseo, MN 5536

ARTS AND CREATIVITY

Stamped Metal Jewelry

Create stamped metal jewelry that tells your story. Design a unique cuff bracelet with a meaningful message, personalize a charm and make a beaded necklace.

Tues., Nov. 11 6:30-8 p.m. ESC
\$55/person Jane Helgestad

Georgia O'Keeffe Acrylic Painting

Learn about Georgia O'Keeffe's art and life, and how she found her artistic voice. Study her landscape painting Lake George Reflection and explore how she used line, shape, color and composition to create beautiful work.

Fri., Nov. 14 5:30-8:30 p.m. OMS
\$59/person Aryn Lill Diemand

T-Shirt Quilt

Make a 72-by-90-inch t-shirt quilt. Learn how to stabilize shirts, cut and sew blocks, and add batting and backing. Basic sewing skills are needed, and some work is done outside class. Bring 35-40 washed t-shirts, a rotary cutter and mat (preferred) or fabric scissors for session one. Bring a sewing machine, thread, pins and fabric scissors for session two. For session three, bring fabric for the quilt back and batting. (The type and amount will be discussed in the first class.)

Mon., Nov. 17, 24, 6-9 p.m. OMS
Dec. 1
\$79/person Sandra Bengtson

Needle Felt Painting: Northern Lights

Create a beautiful northern lights "painting" using wool roving. Learn to needle felt an image onto felt, using roving like paint. Make a unique piece in a small embroidery hoop that can hang on your wall.

Thurs., Nov. 20 6-8 p.m. OMS
\$49/person Vanessa Merry

Stacked Beaded Bracelets

Design a set of three matching stacking bracelets. Choose beads like glass, wood, gemstones and metal in many colors. Customize the fit for your wrist and learn how to make bracelets that last. Take home a custom set that's uniquely yours.

Wed., Dec. 3 6:30-8 p.m. ESC
\$55/person Jane Helgestad

Chickadee Acrylic Painting

Paint a snowy chickadee on a 12-by-12-inch stretched canvas using acrylics. Learn step-by-step by observing the subject. Explore different art materials and try palette knife painting techniques. The class covers shape, pattern, texture, contrast and painting basics.

Fri., Dec. 5 6-8:30 p.m. OMS
\$55/person Aryn Lill Diemand

Hand Embroidery Basics

Learn 10 basic stitches, including running, chain and back stitch, plus French knot, eyelet and more. Finish with a project to practice on and the confidence to embroider on your own. Bring a 6-inch embroidery hoop and scissors. A \$5 supply fee is payable to the instructor at class.

Wed., Dec. 10 6-8:30 p.m. OMS
\$39/person Sandra Bengtson

Glass Mosaic Table or Sign

Choose your design from an idea book, patterns and stencils, and select from many colors of precut glass. Night one is for working on your project and a little homework. Night two covers grouting, glass cutting, mosaic resources and other mosaics. Sign options include welcome, house number, last name or the state of Minnesota. Signs vary in size and cost \$16 to \$45, payable to the instructor at class. The table measures 16 by 16 inches and stands 16 inches tall. It costs \$75, payable to the instructor by cash or Venmo.

Fri., Dec. 12, 19 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$45/person Lindsey Guetter

Easy Bob Ross Oil Painting with Henry Jay Rupp - Winter Wonder

Perfect for beginners. Create a stunning oil painting of a winter wonder. Optional frames with hanging clips will be available for purchase during class, priced between \$30-\$40.

Sat., Dec. 13 10 a.m.-2 p.m. OMS
\$65/person Henry Jay Rupp

Nutcracker Acrylic Painting Class

Paint Mr. or Mrs. Nutcracker on an 11-by-14-inch canvas using acrylic paints. The design is pre-drawn so you can focus on painting and bringing your nutcracker to life. All supplies are included.

Mon., Dec. 15 6:30-8:30 p.m. OMS
\$49/person Lisa Van Wyk

Cricket® Design Space

Learn how to use Cricut® Design Space, an online design app. Explore custom and ready-to-make projects. Finish the class with a completed paper and vinyl project. No machine is needed. A \$10 supply fee is payable to the instructor at class.

Tues., Dec. 16 6-8:30 p.m. OMS
\$39/person Sandra Bengtson

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OMS - Osseo Middle School, 10223 93rd Ave N, Osseo, MN 55369



CPR AND SAFETY

COOKING AND NUTRITION

Heart Saver Adult, Child, and Infant CPR/AED Course

Learn the signs and symptoms of heart attack, cardiac arrest, stroke and choking in adults, children and infants. Training includes barrier device use and verbal AED instructions. A \$10 book is available for purchase at class.

Fri., Sept. 12 5:30-8:30 p.m. ESC
\$119/person Save A Life

Defensive Driving Course: Saving Money - Saving Lives

If you're 55 or older, you can save 10% on your car insurance for three years by completing this state-approved defensive driving course. You'll receive a certificate of completion to give your insurance agent. The class is held in partnership with the Minnesota Safety Council. No driving or test is required.

Thurs., Oct. 9 5:30-9:30 p.m. ESC
\$39/person Minnesota Safety Council

Adult CPR and AED

Learn the signs and symptoms of heart attack, cardiac arrest, stroke and choking in adults. Training includes barrier device use and verbal AED instructions. Course completion e-card is valid for two years. A \$10 book is available for purchase at class.

Friday, Nov. 21 6-8 p.m. ESC
\$105/person Save A Life

Adult First Aid

This course covers general first aid and bloodborne pathogens. You will learn about verbal CPR, bleeding, and medical emergencies through hands-on, scenario-based training. Course completion e-card is valid for two years. A \$10 book is available for purchase at class.

Fri., Dec. 5 5:30-8:30 p.m. ESC
\$99/person Save A Life

Asian Favorites (Participation)

Start by making delicious egg rolls filled with pork, shrimp and vegetables, served with hot mustard and sweet and sour sauce. Then prepare fried rice with chicken, shrimp, fresh vegetables and a secret sauce. Next, enjoy classic pork chow mein with crispy egg noodles, followed by egg foo young made with chicken and shrimp. Finish with a lemon custard tart for dessert.

Tues., Sept. 9 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$59/person Jeff Sandino

Fondue Fun!

Make fondues from around the world, including traditional cheese, Swiss cheese, beef bourguignonne, crab, bleu cheese and tempura. Dunk fruit, cake or brownies in dessert fondues with flavored chocolates and butterscotch. You will also make sauces and dips to complete the menu. Course fee includes all food supplies.

Fri., Sept. 12 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$49/person Laurel Severson

Marvelous Macarons

Learn simple tricks to make macarons easier. Make three different kinds. Bake and assemble one recipe from start to finish, and decorate and assemble the other two. A \$13 food supply fee is payable to the instructor at class.

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

Re-Engineering the Kitchen Workshop

Learn how to make real food easier and more affordable. Discover the latest nutrition trends, smart shopping tips, efficient kitchen management, and cooking with flexible recipes. You'll also get a copy of the instructor's book, *Re-Engineering the Kitchen: A Simple Method to Put Real Food on Your Table Faster, Easier & Cheaper*.

Mon., Sept. 29 6-9 p.m. ESC
\$69/person Alina Steele

Mon., Nov. 17 6-9 p.m. ESC
\$69/person Alina Steele



Pizza Unchained and More (Participation)

Start with a foolproof pizza dough you can make ahead and freeze. Learn to prepare a stromboli filled with chicken, broccoli, sun-dried tomatoes and herb cheese, served with dipping sauce. Create a variety of pizzas; options may include BBQ chicken, basil pesto, Margherita, Reuben, taco, Buffalo chicken, BLT, pastrami and Swiss, chicken club, puttanesca, cheeseburger, chicken Caesar, ham and pineapple, or sausage and pepperoni. You'll also learn to make "spaghetti napolitana" with olive oil, ripe Roma tomatoes, garlic, basil and cheeses. Finish with zuppa inglese, a citrus-soaked pound cake layered with Italian custard, chocolate ganache and cherry preserves.

Wed., Oct. 15 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$59/person Jeff Sandino

COOKING AND NUTRITION

Mile High Apple Pie

Nancy will guide you step by step, from making the crust to preparing a fresh apple filling. You will leave class with a hot apple pie ready to share. Boxes are provided. Bring a rolling pin if you have one. A \$15 food supply fee is payable to the instructor at class.

Mon., Oct. 20 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$39/person Nancy Burgeson

The Art of Phyllo Pastry

Learn how to make appetizers, main dishes and desserts using phyllo dough. Start with phyllo kisses, a simple five-minute appetizer. Then make baked feta cheese triangles. Main dishes include chicken and vegetables such as broccoli with cheese sauce, all rolled in crisp, golden phyllo. End the class with baklava, filled with nuts and covered in honey syrup.

Tues., Oct. 21 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$49/person Laurel Severson

Sourdough Starter Workshop

Learn how to care for and maintain a sourdough starter. Watch a bread dough demonstration and get answers to common questions. Sandra will share tips and techniques to keep the process simple and easy to manage. Class includes an active starter and a printed guide with essential information.

Tues., Oct. 28 6:30-8 p.m. OMS
\$65/person Sandra Brenes

Tues., Nov. 25 6:30-8 p.m. OMS
\$65/person Sandra Brenes

Love Your Lefse

Lefse is a traditional Norwegian food made for holidays, weddings and other special occasions. Learn how to make the dough, bake it, store it and serve it. Start with real potatoes and try an option using instant potatoes. Use authentic recipes and sample your lefse with traditional fillings. Take home finished lefse and dough to bake and share.

Mon., Nov. 10 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$45/person Laurel Severson



Holiday Cookie Bake & Take

Work in pairs to shape, trim and decorate cookies using prepared dough. Nancy's team will bake the cookies during class. Hairnets and gloves are provided. Bring an apron if you like and containers for about ten dozen cookies. Arrive on time and plan to stay for cleanup. Children are not allowed in class. If you are sick, you may send someone in your place. Cookies will not be made for no-shows. A \$20 food supply fee is payable to the instructor, Nancy Burgeson, at class. We are not able to accommodate nut allergies. Each session is \$39/person.

Fri., Nov. 14 6-9 p.m. MGMS
Sat., Nov. 15 1-4 p.m. MGMS
Sat., Nov. 15 9 a.m.-12 p.m. MGMS

Tantalizing Thai Cuisine (Participation)

Start by making fresh Vietnamese summer rolls served with hoisin and peanut sauce. Then prepare crispy Vietnamese spring rolls filled with pork, turkey and glass noodles wrapped in rice paper. Next, learn how to make pad Thai using rice noodles, chicken breast, eggs, chilies, garlic, basil, scallions, bean sprouts and other ingredients. End the class with Thai lime custard topped with fresh whipped cream.

Tues., Nov. 18 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$59/person Jeff Sandino

Four Famous Ethnic Cookies

Bake traditional cookies from Norway, Italy and Sweden. Make Norwegian krumkakes with cream, butter and cinnamon or vanilla. Prepare Italian pizzelles on the stovetop using an iron. These flat cookies are flavored with anise and vanilla. Bake Swedish sandbakkels in small tins to create golden tart-like cookies with almond flavor. Finish with rosettes, deep-fried Scandinavian cookies dusted with confectioners' sugar. Please bring containers to take your cookies home.

Mon., Dec. 10 6-9 p.m. OMS
\$49/person Laurel Severson

COMMUNITY AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Know Your Muslim Neighbor

Join an impactful discussion to learn about Islam and Muslims. Discuss the articles of faith, rituals and practices, and how they affect a Muslim's daily life. This is a safe space to ask questions about your Muslim neighbor. Break through misconceptions and build a stronger community.

Wed., Nov. 12 6-9 p.m. ESC \$29/person Building Blocks of Islam

FAMILY AND FINANCE

Life Well Organized - Choose Peace Over a Paper Chase

Create a simple and easy-to-use system for your personal and financial information that your family will appreciate. Organize passwords, insurance, investments, estate documents, pet information, subscriptions and more. Learn how to do this without stress, legal jargon or feeling overwhelmed.

Wed., Sept. 17 6-7:30 p.m. ESC
\$25/pair Steve Finkelstein

Planning Your Retirement Income

Retirement brings important decisions about Social Security, taxes and investments. Learn how to protect your income and get the most from your retirement benefits. You only retire once, so make smart choices to help ensure success.

Tues., Sept. 23 6:30-7:30 p.m. ESC
\$15/person Tom Scheck

Medicare Basics: Parts A-D

Are you turning 65 soon? Learn how and when to enroll in Medicare. Find out important steps to avoid penalties and understand the pros and cons of Part C, Part D and Medicare supplements.

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

Making Sense of the College Application Process

What is FAFSA? What is the CSS profile? How do you qualify for merit money? Learn what these terms mean and get tips to help high school students avoid large amounts of debt. This class is designed for families and high school students.

Mon., Oct. 6 7-8:30 p.m. ESC
\$29/pair College Advisors Network

Taxes in Retirement

Tax rates will increase in 2026. Learn how to manage your tax bill and use smart strategies to save for retirement, create tax-efficient income and pass wealth to future generations.

Tues., Oct. 7 6:30-7:30 p.m. ESC
\$15/person Tom Scheck

Keeping the Cabin in the Family

A family cabin is a cherished legacy. Without a clear plan, it can lead to family conflict, financial problems or a forced sale. Learn about legal options, ownership types and financial strategies to keep your cabin a valuable asset for future generations.

Tues., Oct. 14 6-7:30 p.m. MGS
\$19/person Henningson & Snoxell LTD

The Basics of Estate Planning

Explore key parts of estate planning, including wills, trusts, powers of attorney and healthcare directives. Learn tips to reduce estate taxes and avoid probate. Gain insights on how a good estate plan can bring peace of mind for you and your family.

Mon., Oct. 20 6-7:30 p.m. ESC
\$19/person Thomas Stanton

Customizing Estate Planning

Thinking about an estate plan but worried about difficult issues? Attorney Susan T. Peterson-Lerdahl will explain common reasons to customize your plan, including divorce, remarriage, children from different relationships, loved ones with special needs, addiction, money management challenges and medical assistance estate recovery. She will discuss options to address these concerns.

Mon., Oct. 20 6-7:30 p.m. ESC
\$25/person Susan T Peterson-Lerdahl

Prepare Your Own Will

Without a will, Minnesota law decides who inherits your estate and who becomes guardian of your minor children. Learn about wills and the probate process, then prepare and complete a legally binding will in class. You will receive a professionally prepared will form, witnesses, a notary public and everything needed to complete your document. This class is for people with estates under \$1 million who do not own a business. The class is taught by an attorney.

Tues., Oct. 21 7-9 p.m. MGS
\$49/person Adam Altman

Comprehensive Retirement Planning Course

Build confidence in your retirement by learning how to optimize distributions from Social Security, pensions, work retirement plans and IRAs. Discover the benefits of Roth accounts and how they can help reduce taxes. The class also covers investing to reduce risk, when insurance and annuities are useful, and basic estate planning. The class fee is for a pair.

Wed., Oct. 29, 6:30-9 p.m. ESC
Nov. 5 Mark Josephs
\$49/pair

Thurs., Nov. 6, 13 6:30-9 p.m. ESC
\$49/pair Mark Josephs

LOCATION KEY:

- ESC** Educational Service Center
11200 93rd Ave.,
Maple Grove, MN 55369
- MGMS** Maple Grove Middle School
7000 Hemlock Ln N.,
Maple Grove, MN 55369
- MGS** Maple Grove Senior High
9800 Fernbrook Ln N.,
Maple Grove, MN 55369
- OMS** Osseo Middle School
10223 93rd Ave N.,
Osseo, MN 55369

DANCE & TRAVEL

Romantic Dance

Build on your basic swing dance moves with simple and easy romantic steps. Learn to spin, turn and twirl together until you do not want to let go. This class is suitable for all experience levels. New moves are introduced for those who have taken the class before. The class fee is for couples only.

Fri., Nov. 7 7-9 p.m. OSH
\$39/couple Monica Mohn

Swing Dance - One Night of Fun!

Spend one night learning fun dance moves like the arch and the loop. These patterns will help you move from the sidelines onto the dance floor and into each other's arms. The class fee is for couples only.

Fri., Oct. 24 7-9 p.m. OSH
\$39/couple Monica Mohn

Wedding Dance Workshop

Experience the joy of dancing with expert guidance from a three-time ballroom dance champion. Learn fun moves and turns that will help you both look your best. The class fee is for couples only.

Fri., Sept. 19 6-8 p.m. OSH
\$39/couple Monica Mohn

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Tai Chi and Qigong Mix It Up!

Practice different tai chi forms, qigong exercises, acupressure points, and tools like the tai chi ruler, bang stick, baoding ball and unweighted ball. This class is suitable for most physical conditions. Participants should be able to turn, bend slightly and stand for at least half the class. Tai chi improves flexibility, agility, body awareness, balance and helps relax the mind. No experience is needed. Wear loose clothing, flat shoes and no sandals.

Tues., Sept. 9-Nov. 4 6:30-7:30 p.m.
No class Oct. 14 OMS
\$119/person Christine Morgan

Tues., Nov. 11-Dec. 23 6:30-7:30 p.m.
OMS
\$119/person Christine Morgan

Body & Brain Yoga/Tai Chi

Experience mindful movement, deep stretching and meditative breathwork. Open your energy meridians, reduce stress and reach a calm, recharged state. The class ends with an energy meditation to awaken your senses. Please bring a yoga mat.

Tues., Sept. 16-Oct. 21 6-7 p.m.
MGMS
\$149/person Yelena Rybachenok

Tues., Oct. 28-Dec. 16 6-7 p.m.
No class Nov. 4, 25 MGMS
\$149/person Yelena Rybachenok

Lose Weight, Feel Great: Pain-Friendly Strategies That Work for Fat Loss

Is pain holding back your weight loss goals? Learn strategies to burn fat, manage pain and improve your health by working with your body. Create a simple, science-based, pain-friendly plan to lose weight, increase energy and boost your overall well-being.

Wed., Sept. 24 6-7:30 p.m. ESC
\$19/person Christie Amundson

The Emotional Eating Paradox: It's Not You, It's Your Brain (HW)

Learn how to stop emotional and binge eating for good. Find out why more willpower is not the answer. Discover how to work with your brain chemistry to recognize and reduce cravings. Use science-based strategies to break free from emotional eating.

Thurs., Oct. 23 6:30-7:30 p.m. ESC
\$29/person Jessica Guerrero

Witches' Brews: Essential Oil Potions for Halloween

Explore the magic of essential oils and create Halloween potions that fill your home with enchanting aromas. Learn how to blend essential oils to make spooky, Halloween potions

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

Makeup Boot Camp

Update your look with tips and techniques for ageless beauty. Learn about a variety of products, application, and the latest trends in makeup and skin care. Julie Sherman, a makeup artist with 35 years of experience, teaches this class. No products or services sold.

Thurs., Nov. 6 6:30-8:30 p.m. ESC
\$39/person Julie Sherman



HOME AND GARDEN

DIY for Females: Kitchen Cabinet Painting & Trim Enameling

Do you have a new home that needs updating or want to refresh your current space? Join many homeowners who are painting wood surfaces to brighten their rooms. "De-Oaking" is a popular trend that can make your space much lighter. Learn step-by-step how to clean, prep, prime and enamel wood surfaces. Save thousands of dollars by doing it yourself. All supplies are included in the fee.

Wed., Sept. 10, 17	6-7:30 p.m.	MGMS
\$139/person	Jamie Nicole	
Wed., Nov. 5, 12	6-7:30 p.m.	MGMS
\$139/person	Jamie Nicole	
Wed., Dec. 10, 17	6-7:30 p.m.	MGMS
\$139/person	Jamie Nicole	

Maximizing Your Home Sale in the New Post-NAR Settlement Era

Learn about recent changes in the real estate industry and how they affect you when selling your home. Discover new rules, how business relationships have changed and how to make the most money possible.

Tues., Sept. 23	6:30-8 p.m.	MGS
\$15/person	Michael Vanderheyden	

Power Tools for Women I

Learn to safely use drills, sanders, routers and saws. In week one, you will learn how to use the tools and safety rules. In week two, complete a small bench project to take home. Long hair must be tied back and no loose clothing allowed for safety. Bring safety goggles, a tape measure and a pencil. Fran's shop is a separate 1,500-square-foot heated building with plenty of parking. A \$30 supply fee is payable to the instructor at class.

Location: Fran's Woodworking
7155 160th Lane NW,
Ramsey, MN 55303

Tues., Sept. 23, 30	6:30-8:30 p.m.
\$59/person	

DIY for Females: Painting & Drywall

Hiring a professional can be costly and may not fit your budget. Learn how to repair holes and cracks in walls of various sizes. Follow a step-by-step process to prep and paint your home like a pro. Discuss different types of paint, their uses and how to choose the best color. All supplies are included in the fee.

Wed., Oct. 1, 8	6-7:30 p.m.	MGMS
\$129/person	Jamie Nicole	
Wed., Nov. 26, Dec. 3	6-7:30 p.m.	MGMS
\$129/person	Jamie Nicole	

Power Tools for Women II

Continue learning in this follow-up to Power Tools I. Build an end table with a bookshelf underneath. You must have completed Power Tools I or have instructor permission. You will need to transport your project home the first night and bring it back the second night. For safety, long hair must be tied back and no loose clothing is allowed. Bring safety goggles, a tape measure and a pencil. Supply fee ranges from \$60 to \$80 depending on lumber prices. Pay the instructor at class.

Location: Fran's Woodworking
7155 160th Lane NW
Ramsey, MN 55303

Tues., Oct. 14, 21	6:30-8:30 p.m.
\$59/person	

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Basic Home Electrical Repair I

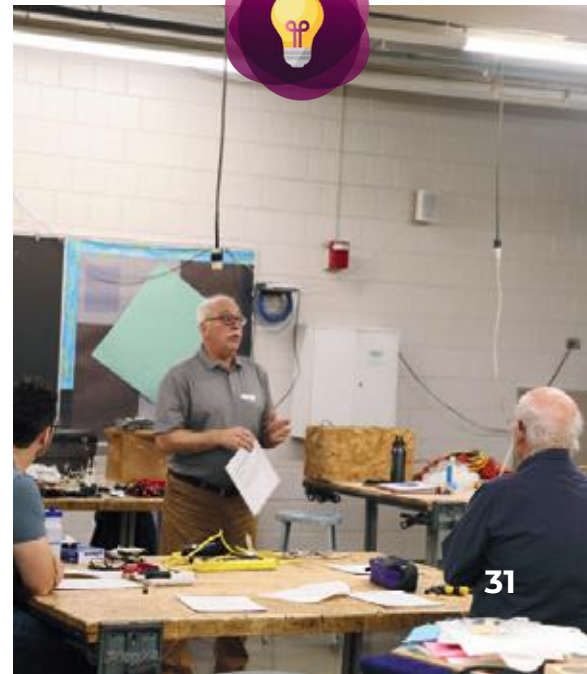
Review home electrical systems, types and gauges of wire, their uses and safety. Learn proper techniques for stripping wire and attaching it to outlets, switches and light fixtures. Testing equipment is covered. Bring a straight and Phillips screwdriver, long-nose pliers and wire stripping pliers. This class has two sessions. The instructor recommends enrolling in both Basic Home Electrical Repair I and II at the same time. Required: Complete Basic Home Electrical Repair I before attending the advanced class.

Tues., Nov. 11	6-8 p.m.	MGMS
\$59/person	Tod Novinska	

Advanced Home Electrical Repair II

Learn to install single-pole and three-way switches, outlets and light fixtures to power a light bulb and test the circuit. Compare light bulbs and learn how to choose the right LED bulbs. Discuss installing light fixtures and ceiling fans. Bring a wire stripper, straight and Phillips screwdrivers, and long-nose pliers. The instructor recommends enrolling in both Basic Home Electrical Repair I and II at the same time. Completion of Basic Home Electrical Repair I is required before attending this class.

Tues., Nov. 18	6-8 p.m.	MGMS
\$59/person	Tod Novinska	



HOME AND GARDEN

Detox Your Life

Create a toxin-free environment by learning practical ways to detox your life. Identify common toxins in your home and personal care routine, and discover steps to reduce exposure. Plus, complete a fun DIY project to help lower chemicals in your kitchen.

Thurs., Nov. 20 6-7 p.m. ESC
\$29/person Liubov Ganina

Basic Home Plumbing Repair

Gain confidence by learning to fix minor plumbing problems and replace fixtures yourself. Learn about plumbing systems and different types of plastic and metal pipes. Take apart faucets, replace pop-up drain assemblies, and discuss how toilets work internally.

Tues., Nov. 25 6-8:30 p.m. MGMS
\$59/person Tod Novinska

Simple Steps to Downsizing

Thinking about moving or downsizing but unsure where to start? Learn easy steps and practical tips to help you avoid common and costly mistakes. Leave feeling confident and ready to begin your downsizing journey.

Mon., Dec. 1 6:30-8 p.m. ESC
\$15/person Steve Hoem

Maximize Your Home's Value

Don't make any changes to your home or make costly repairs before taking this class. Learn simple, low-cost steps to make your home more appealing to today's buyers. Find out where to focus your home preparation efforts for the best results.

Tues., Dec. 2 6:30-8 p.m. ESC
\$15/person Steve Hoem

LOCATION KEY:

ESC Educational Service Center
11200 93rd Ave.,
Maple Grove, MN 55369

MGMS Maple Grove Middle School
7000 Hemlock Ln N
Maple Grove, MN 55369



TEEN DRIVER'S EDUCATION

Teen Driver's Education

Safeway Driving School was selected by Osseo Area Schools and the 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. Classes are held after school and during the summer in each of our high schools. Choose from in person, online or self-paced classes to meet your needs.



Scan the code to view the Teen Driver's Education schedule and register at osseo.ce.eleyo.com

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. Scan the code below to explore online classes by category that match your interests. When you are ready, register online at osseo.ce.eleyo.com or call us at 763-391-7242.



Arts and Creativity



Cooking and Nutrition



CPR and Safety



Dance and Travel



Family and Finance



Health and Wellness



Online Adult Enrichment classes make it easy to:

- Learn at convenient times that fit your lifestyle
- Participate from the comfort of your own space
- Connect with expert instructors and classmates across the community
- Access materials and recordings easily on your devices



Home and Garden



Language



Technology

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:

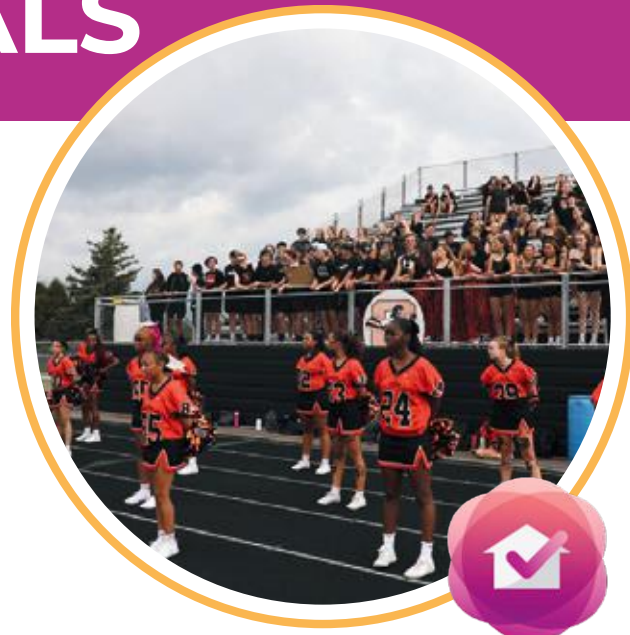
- **Classrooms and meeting rooms** for small groups
- **Large cafeterias** for banquets or community events
- **State-of-the-art auditoriums** with professional sound and lighting technology for performances, presentations or religious services
- **Gymnasiums** for athletics, recreation classes and events.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

Visit ce.district279.org/facilities-rental or scan code to request a facility permit or learn more.

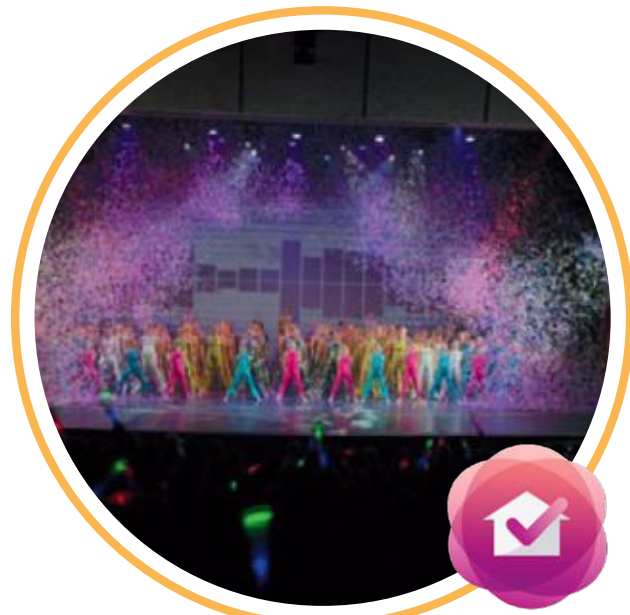


We're hiring events staff

Join our team and help support community events in Osseo Area Schools. We're looking for Building Supervisors and Auditorium Technicians to help host events in our schools. These flexible, part-time roles are great for people who enjoy working with others and making a difference.

Explore job postings!

View district279.org/careers or scan code to apply.



MEET OUR TEAM



Facilities Scheduler, DeAnn Hill
hilld@district279.org



Program Manager, Dana Nelson
nelsond2@district279.org

Supporting district athletic and recreation facilities (gyms, stadiums, turf and grass fields).

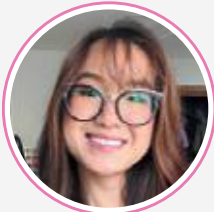


Facilities Scheduler, Susie Cox
coxs@district279.org

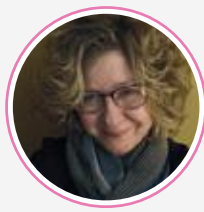


Program Manager, Jamie Cassidy
cassidyjamie@district279.org

Supporting district auditoriums, cafeterias, classrooms and cultural events.



Facilities Scheduler, Mailee Thao
thaom2@district279.org
Educational Service Center and
invoicing support.



Coordinator, Carrie Larson
larsoncarrie@district279.org
For overall Facilities Scheduling
questions or needs.

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
Priority 2 Governmental, municipally affiliated athletic associations and youth groups	July 15	Aug. 30	Oct. 15	Oct. 30	Dec. 1	Jan. 30	March 15	March 30
Priority 3 Non-profit, neighborhood and faith based groups	June 15	Aug. 30	Aug. 15	Oct. 30	Dec. 1	Jan. 30	March 1	March 30
Priority 4 Commerical groups	June 15	Aug. 30	Aug. 15	Oct. 30	Dec. 1	Jan. 30	March 1	March 30

Questions about facility rentals? Email facilities@district279.org

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

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

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.



Location:

Northwest Family Service Center

Second floor, Suite 200S

7051 Brooklyn Boulevard
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

Office hours

Mon. - Thurs.: 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Fri.: 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Limited office hours during school breaks and during the summer.

Phone: 763-566-5452

Email: abe@district279.org

Website: district279.org/abe



Start your journey with ABE. Scan the code to begin the registration process online at bit.ly/ABEonlineregistration



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It was amazing to work with the Osseo ABE program! I am very thankful for my teachers Ms. Yasmin, Ms. Kokkila and my tutor Ms. Michelle. I wouldn't have made it without them! It was a long hard journey, but they were the reason I kept pushing. Thank you guys so much for giving me the opportunity to get my GED, it's such a blessing. - Shericka Malone, ABE student



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Getting my GED was challenging but incredibly rewarding. The teachers were so encouraging, it pushed me to participate more and speak up, which I don't usually find easy. Going back gave my days structure and helped me feel more focused. Math was especially tough, but the way it was taught made me want to keep trying. Reviewing what we learned the day before helped it stick and kept me engaged. The teachers truly cared, and their energy made a big difference. I went back to school in my 60s, and even though I was nervous, I quickly started to enjoy it, including the homework! Learning again gave me a real boost in confidence. Being in a classroom with people of all ages reminded me there's no age limit to learning. - Nasem Haji, ABE student



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Getting my GED through your program has been a rewarding and life changing experience. The great quality of the courses, the expertise and kindness of the teachers, and the incredible work of the staff in general, all at no cost is truly amazing. It's a wonderful opportunity for someone like me to reach my goals and make a better future for myself. - Bernard Kolie, ABE student



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What's it like volunteering with adult learners? I find it rewarding because I like to help others learn to read and understand English. However, it can be a challenge, not everyone learns the same way, so finding a method that works for each person can be difficult. Not everyone has the home/work environment to practice their learning. But like everyone who teaches, watching the student's acknowledgement that they finally get a word or understand a reading is the most rewarding. - Mary Thompson, ABE volunteer



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 from the Reading Is Fun 5K are disbursed to the Osseo Area Schools media centers while proceeds from the A Night Out Gala are disbursed through various grant applications.

District 279 Foundation recognizes and celebrates the many achievements and success stories of the scholars, volunteers and staff in Osseo Area Schools at the Investment in Youth celebration each year. The Foundation also administers the Odd Fellows scholarship for Osseo students attending specific post-secondary opportunities.

District 279 Foundation invites everyone to get involved. Upcoming events:



Reading is Fun 5K

Date: Saturday, Oct. 4, 2025

Location: Maple Grove Crimson Stadium

Events: 8 a.m. Check in

9 a.m. 1K

9:15 a.m. Community gathering

9:30 a.m. 5K

Details: Scan code or visit the website
district279foundation.org/events.

**SAVE
THE
DATE!**

A Night Out

Date: Friday, Feb. 6, 2026

Location: Leopold's Mississippi Gardens

More details to come! Visit the website
district279foundation.org/events.

GRANTS IN ACTION



Oak View Elementary School students were given the opportunity to explore and use CAD software, 3D printing, Spheros, AR and VR goggles that they do not have in their school and that they might not have an opportunity to experience in their everyday lives.



Brooklyn Middle STEAM School students demonstrated a deep understanding of real-world problems and issues and showcased their awareness of social justice, personal struggles, and community concerns through spoken word performances. Their powerful words and heartfelt expressions captivated their peers, and made complex topics more relatable and engaging.



Park Center Senior High School's Hmong teachers, Yer Syhaphom and Chayeng Yang, received a District 279 Foundation grant to provide a series of Hmong cooking experiences for their students. A professional chef, Dyane Garvey, came to the Hmong classes for a full week to explore Hmong cooking with the students.



Palmer Lake Elementary School students were fascinated by the Human Body exhibit at the Science Museum, and many had “a-ha” moments. Students loved a puzzle that connected to the different types of tissue, something they focused on in one of their previous lessons. While the original purpose of the trip was to enhance students’ learning around the human body, testing their bodies with sports-ology and seeing dinosaurs were also great experiences.





ENROLLMENT CENTER

We are your one-stop shop for enrollment services.

Enrollment Center staff can help you with:

- Free Half-Day, Every Day prekindergarten enrollment
- K-12 school enrollment
- Magnet school enrollment
- Open enrollment
- New or returning enrollments
- Change of address



**Find your path in
Osseo Area Schools**

Enroll now at
district279.org/enroll

Northwest Family Service Center (First floor)

7051 Brooklyn Boulevard
Brooklyn Center, MN 55329

Phone: 763-585-7350

Email: EnrollmentCenter@district279.org

Open year-round*

Monday - Friday

Hours: 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

***Enrollment Center will be closed:**

- Oct. 14
- Nov. 18*
*tentative
- Dec. 17
- Jan. 20
- Feb. 18
- March 18
- April 29
- May 12
- June 2



I am overwhelmed with gratitude when I see our families smiling after leaving my window. I know that I have assisted them in few less obstacles in their daily lives.

*-Bridgette B.
Administrative Professional
Enrollment Center*



FIND YOUR PATH IN OSSEO AREA SCHOOLS

Dream. Explore. Discover.

Explore your school options

1 Consider your needs

Check if schools offer the services you need and if bus transportation is available. Explore our schools and magnet programs. Keep in mind, some schools are closed to open enrollment and in-district transfers.

2 Review your options

Visit **district279.org/find-my-school** and enter your home address in the search bar to confirm your school zone and review your school options.

3 Visit your school choices

Learn more about the schools that interest you by setting up a school tour or visiting an open house. Visit your choice school's website or contact the school directly to schedule a school tour.

4 Start the enrollment process

Complete an application online and learn about details on how to enroll at **district279.org/enroll**.

For more information visit district279.org/enroll.

Four different ways to submit enrollment materials:

1. **Online:** district279.org/enroll
2. **Email:** 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

Documents to bring

Proof of Residency

- **Valid MN Driver's License**
(with current address)
- **Current utility bill** (dated within 60 days - gas, water, electric, etc.)
- **Letter from local, state or federal government** (dated within 60 days)
- **Lease/Rental agreement** - must be signed by lessee and lessor and show lease period
- **Purchase agreement**
(dated within 60 days)
- **Mortgage statement** (dated within 60 days)

Child's Birth certificate (original or copy) or passport

Child's Immunization record "shot record"

REGISTER

osseo.ce.eleyo.com.

Explore Community Education programs year-round and register for all ages, including Adult and Youth Enrichment, Early Childhood Family Education, Preschool and Pre-K, Early Childhood Screening, Kidstop, Four Star Express, Summer programs and Teen Driver's Education. You can also reserve a facility for your next event.

Scan the code to visit the website:

osseo.ce.eleyo.com



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VOLUNTEER WITH US



When you volunteer in Osseo Area Schools, you make a positive impact in our schools and inspire success among learners. Join a group of more than 5,000 individuals who have contributed more than 183,000 hours of volunteer service to Osseo Area Schools' students in many ways! Explore more at district279.org/community/volunteers.

Join the 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.

Learn more at ce.district279.org/community/cepac.



COMMUNITY EDUCATION

11200 93rd Ave. N.,
Maple Grove, MN 55369

**OSSEO AREA SCHOOLS
COMMUNITY EDUCATION**
ce.district279.org | 763-391-7000



Our mission is to inspire and prepare each and every scholar with the confidence, courage and competence to achieve their dreams; contribute to community; and engage in a lifetime of learning.

Look inside!

This catalog features Osseo Area Schools' Community Education programs from early childhood, youth to adult learning, facility rentals and more.

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