

Literacy is about more than reading a good book . . .

Children of parents with low literacy skills have a 72% chance being at the lowest reading levels themselves.

Of adults with the lowest literacy levels, 43% live in poverty.

Every year 1 in 6 young adults, more than 1.2 million, drop out of high school.

Source: ProLiteracy
<https://proliteracy.org/Resources/Adult-Literacy-Facts>

Volunteer Literacy Tutors can make a big difference in an adult learner's life.

"A volunteer is a person who believes that people can make a difference — and is willing to prove it."

Anonymous

"Never doubt that a small group of committed citizens can make a difference. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." ©

Margaret Mead
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Volunteer Literacy Tutor Training

2017-18 Schedule

Presented by
Portland Literacy Council
In Partnership With
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What is a Volunteer Literacy Tutor?

Volunteer Literacy Tutors assist adults with learning English and improving basic education skills. Tutors provide instruction to individuals or groups, and may serve as classroom aides. Portland Literacy Council, along with local adult literacy programs, delivers training for Portland metro area adult literacy programs.

How do I become a Volunteer Literacy Tutor?

Local adult literacy programs recommend that volunteers wishing to be certified tutors attend training provided by Portland Literacy Council. Volunteers will learn how to tutor in ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) or ABE (Adult Basic Education) programs. Volunteers must participate in two 6-hour workshops on consecutive Saturdays. Professionals in adult education deliver the workshops.

How to Register for Tutor Training

Register online at www.portlandliteracy.org/for-tutors/.

Before you register, please review the Tutors page at the PLC website to see if Volunteer Literacy Tutoring is for you. Our website www.portlandliteracy.org/for-tutors/ answers these questions:

- What does a tutor do?
- Who will you tutor?
- What is tutoring success?
- What are the time commitments?

You will also find tutoring resources and how to connect with local literacy programs.

2017-18 Workshop Schedule

Register online at

<http://www.portlandliteracy.org/for-tutors/>

Fall Workshops

September 16 & 23, 2017
PCC Sylvania Campus
12000 SW 49th Ave
Portland, OR 97219
Online registration opens August 15.
See PLC website for updates.

Winter Workshops

January 20 & 27, 2018
PCC Cascade Campus
705 N Killingsworth St
Portland, OR 97217
Online registration opens in December 2017.
See PLC website for updates.

Spring Workshops

April 14 & 21, 2018
PCC Southeast Campus
2305 SE 82nd Avenue
Portland, OR 97216
Online registration opens in March 2018.
See PLC website for updates.

Training Fees

Fees cover workshop costs. We are unable to give refunds.

- Metro area program volunteers: \$30
- Other: \$50

Payment

You can pay online during registration or by check to Portland Literacy Council. Payment deadline is the Saturday before the scheduled class. Please send checks payable to Portland Literacy Council to:

Portland Literacy Council
Attention: Tutor Training
PO Box 2872
Portland OR 97208

How do I find programs interested in tutors?

At the tutor training, you will receive a list of adult literacy programs that currently need tutors. You can also find adult literacy programs that use volunteer tutors at these resources:

- Portland Literacy Council website
www.portlandliteracy.org/for-tutors
- Portland ESL Network
<http://portlandesl.pbworks.com/>
- Local community colleges

What is the Portland Literacy Council?

The Portland Literacy Council (PLC) is a 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization that supports adult literacy programs, tutors, and students in the Portland metropolitan area.

PLC activities include publishing an online newsletter, sponsoring an annual volunteer tutor conference, delivering local tutor training, and awarding GED scholarships.