



St. Louis Park Community Education

2016 - 2017
Annual Report



Our website offers current news and class offerings for all ages

Adult Options In Education Opens New Learning Center

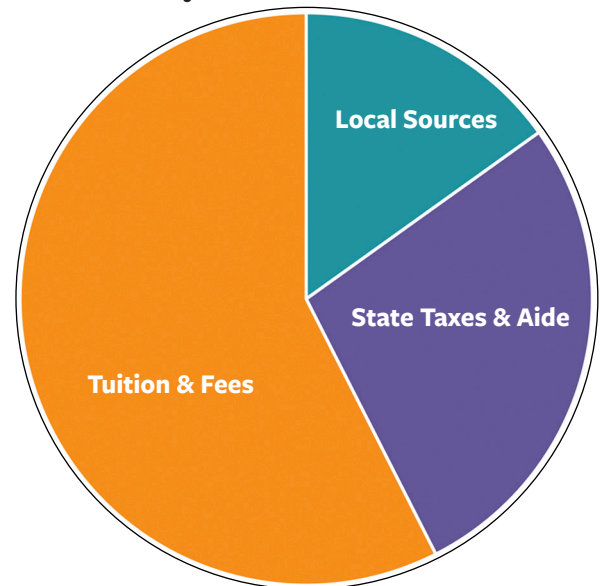
Adult Options In Education (AOIE) is the Adult Basic Education (ABE) program for St. Louis Park, Hopkins and Minnetonka Community Education. This fall, teachers, staff, students, and volunteers celebrated the opening of the new St. Louis Park AOIE Learning Center with an Open House and Global Thanksgiving Celebration. District staff and community partners such as the St. Louis Park Police Department also came to tour the new space and share food with learners from near and far. AOIE classes relocated to the Learning Center from the St. Louis Park High School in January 2017. The stand-alone facility, on Colorado Avenue and Wayzata Boulevard, provides hundreds of adults who are learning English or preparing for the GED a valued community space of their own. Learners work with teachers Elizabeth Miller, Steve Gernbacher and Jeannie Radatz as well as paraprofessional Kerry Noyes Monday - Thursday. Student goals range from English language acquisition, navigating community resources, college enrollment, or career advancement.

2016-2017 Participant Information

Program	Participants
Adult Enrichment	5,209
Adult Options in Education/ESL	298
Aquatics	1,353
ECFE/Early Learning	2,899
Gymnastics	765
Kid Dance	222
Kids' Place (Pre-K & School Age)	827
Project SOAR (includes data from four-district consortium)	1,682
Senior Program	20,469
Summer Learning & Play	213
Volunteer Program	260
Youth Development	1,260
Youth Enrichment	1,395
Total Program Participants	36,852
**Facilities Use (includes 50 different community groups)	19,277

* Based on Turnstile Count: Data from 2016-2017 Minnesota Department of Education Report

Community Education Revenue Sources



Tuition & Fees: \$ 3,747,442

State Taxes & Aide: \$ 1,786,790

Local Sources: \$ 985,339

City/County funds plus local gifts & grants

Total Revenues: \$ 6,519,571

2016-17 COMMUNITY EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Jim Beneke	Gregg Lindberg	Karen Waters
Bobbi Betz	Anthony Marrie	Jason West
Amy Burns	Thom Miller	Shirley Zimmerman
Debbie Danielson	Joan Monicatti	
Cailey Hansen-Mahoney	Bob Ramsey	Lisa Greene, Director
Sandy Johnson	Julia Ross	

2016-17 SCHOOL BOARD

Jim Beneke
Nancy Gores
Kenneth Morrison
Bruce Richardson
Joe Tatalovich
Karen Waters
Jim Yarosh
Rob Metz, Superintendent

2016-17 CITY COUNCIL

Tim Brausen
Steve Hallfin
Gregg Lindberg
Ann Mavity
Thom Miller
Sue Sanger
Jake Spano, Mayor
Tom Harmening, City Manager



A MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR LISA GREENE -

Central Community Center will be undergoing many changes. Park Spanish Immersion School will be moving to Cedar Manor and our early childhood programs will move into that side of the building after it is renovated into an early childhood center. They will move into their new space in fall of 2020. When they move out of their space on the east side of Central, it will be renovated into District Office space, Adult Options in Education, Central Clinic and Transitions Plus.

Other spaces will be very attractive to community users: the new performing arts space at the Middle School and the learning link and commons space at the High School among others.

We are very excited about the possibilities these projects afford us to provide improved learning environments for all of our learners.



BIRTH - FIVE PROGRAMS

Preparing your child for success in school and life, beginning at birth.

EARLY LEARNING PRESCHOOL -

Serving children ages 33 months-5 years old, the curriculum for these programs focuses on language and literacy, social and emotional development, and school readiness skills.

EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY EDUCATION (ECFE) - Parents and children, ages birth-5, play and learn together under the guidance of a licensed early childhood teacher.

FAMILY LEARNING - While parents enrolled in ABE learn English or work on their GED, children participate in Early Learning Preschool and child care.

KIDS PLACE EARLY LEARNING - Provides a high quality preschool experience within a full-day child care setting.

SLP Community Education also serves preschoolers with Aquatics, Gymnastics and Kid Dance classes, all held at Central Community Center.



SENIOR PROGRAM

Health and Fitness Opportunities Increase
The St. Louis Park Senior Program, housed at Lenox Community Center, operates in partnership with the City of St. Louis Park. Seniors enjoy weekly activities such as 500 cards, party bridge, canasta, cribbage, mah jongg and more. Bingo is offered twice a month, and once a month there is a country music jam session where musicians, dancers, singers and spectators come together to have a good time. Every Thursday, there is ballroom dancing in the gym, with live music. An active woodshop, led by volunteers, painting classes, and lectures on topics ranging from history to art round out the many options for lifelong learning offered through the Senior Program.



ADULT PROGRAMS

Lifelong Learning Completes

ADULT ENRICHMENT - Serves lifelong learners of all ages with courses covering a wide variety of topics such as arts and crafts, fitness and nutrition, technology, dance, music and more.

ADULT OPTIONS IN EDUCATION / Adult Basic Education - AOIE provides a solid foundation of basic education classes for adult students. Classes focus on building reading comprehension, math, preparation for GED Exam as well as speaking, listening, reading and writing skills for non-native speakers. AOIE is a partnership between St. Louis Park, Hopkins and Minnetonka Community Education.

PROJECT SOAR - This program for adults with disabilities offers classes in a variety of social, recreational and enrichment activities. Project SOAR operates in partnership with Hopkins, Minnetonka and Wayzata Community Education.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM - Recruited and trained community volunteers for St. Louis Park Public Schools. Volunteers generously gave over 8,500 hours of their time helping students with reading, math, English language learning and more. The total value of volunteer service in the 2016-17 school year was over \$206,000.



YOUTH PROGRAMS

Creating building blocks for a healthy, happy life

YOUTH ENRICHMENT - Serves students in grades K-12 and their families with a variety of classes and extracurricular activities in areas such as arts, music, sports, fitness and more.

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT - Brings students in grades 4-12 together to develop leadership skills through service learning and volunteerism.

AQUATICS - Provides lessons for swimmers ages five months through senior citizens, lap swimming opportunities, and pool rental and synchronized swimming club coordination.

GYMNASTICS - Provides enrichment gymnastics classes for participants ages 2-18, and prepares athletes for competition on the SLP High School team.

SUMMER LEARNING AND PLAY - This program ensures continued learning over the summer for students grades K-8 through enrichment classes and activities.

KIDS PLACE SCHOOL-AGE CHILD CARE - Offers child care for school-age children, before and after school and all day in the summer.

Visit www.slpcommunityed.com today to learn more about Community Education.