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Adult learning programs to be offered through Rocky View Schools

Beginning September 8, 2010, residents residing within the boundaries of Rocky View Schools will have access to adult learning opportunities through Rocky View Schools Community Learning.

Course offerings will include: English Language Learning, Literacy Skills, Family Literacy, Employability and Professional Development, and General Interest such as painting, computers, French, and investing.

“We are very excited to get our initial roster of courses up and running,” said Leanne Hall, Community Learning Coordinator. “We aim to grow and expand what Rocky View Schools Community Learning offers as we learn about the needs of the communities.”

RVSCL’s English language and literacy programs, for example, go beyond the traditional focus on reading, writing and numeracy, to include skills that are important for 21st century learners, such as financial literacy, technology literacy and health literacy. General interest courses also are designed to address community issues and support the personal growth of adult learners. Fall courses include photography, entrepreneurship, self-defense and Spanish.

Registration for courses begins September 8, 2010. Course information and details are available at <http://communitylearning.rockyview.ab.ca> or by calling 403-945-4114. New courses and workshops are added regularly, so visit RVSCL’s website often for updates!

“Rocky View Schools is pleased to add ‘adult learning’ to its repertoire of programs,” said Board Chair Sylvia Eggerer. “Not only does adult learning help to crystallize our desire to build 21st century learning environments where learning transitions are seamless and services are available for learners of all ages. It will bring greater value and recognition to our education system from adults who may not have children in RVS.”

Funding is received through grants from Alberta Advanced Education and Technology for programs in the following priority areas: adult literacy, family literacy, English language learning, employability enhancement and community issues. Interest courses like home improvement or meditation are self-supported through registration fees.

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