

Computer Sessions @ Seniors Come Share

15008 – 26 Ave. Surrey BC V4P 3H5

Tel: 604-531-9400 (Terry) www.comeshare.ca

Free computer classes taught by volunteer seniors. Teaches basic Internet and computer skills for those over 65 years old. Every Tues and Thurs for 5 weeks. Pre-registration required.

Computer classes at Surrey Libraries

www.surreylibraries.ca/programs-services/5549.aspx

Free beginners' classes offered at City Centre, Guildford, Semiahmoo, Strawberry Hill libraries. Covers computer basics including mousing, using the Internet and email and Microsoft Word basics.

Keyboard Tutorials @ Sense-Lange.org

tinyurl.com/3wau9fq

Free online typing lessons.

Newton Senior's Computer Club

13775 - 70th Avenue Surrey, BC V3W 0E1

Tel: 604-501-5010 www.newtonseniorscomputerclub.com

Computer classes and workshops for seniors. Annual membership is \$15 but you can try it for 3 meetings first.

Online Computer Classes @ Learning Express

www.surreylibraries.ca/research/4729.aspx#L

Free, online tutorials that allow you to learn a number of popular software titles from Microsoft and Adobe at your own pace. Requires library card to login.

Senior's Computer Classes @ Oak Ave. Neigh. Hub

12740 – 102 Ave Surrey BC

Tel: 604-582-7088 www.oanh.ca

Drop-in computer class where seniors can learn computer skills in a relaxed environment. Ages 55+. Mandarin speaking only. Fridays 10:30am – 12:30pm. English language classes Mondays 1-2:30pm.

White Rock Senior's Computer Club

1475 Kent Street White Rock BC

Tel: 604-541-2231 www.whiterockseniorscomputerclub.com

Gear towards more advanced senior computer users. Lectures Wed 12:30-2:30pm on topics like photo editing, the Microsoft Office Suite and new technologies. Must have \$34 membership to the Kent Street Activity Centre.

English Language Lessons

DIVERSEcity ELSA program

604-597-0205 ext 1223 www.dcrs.ca

Offers a range of free ESL classes through the English Language Services for Adults (ELSA) program.

Newton: #1107-7330 137th St. for levels pre-lit to level 7, morning and evening classes with free child care.

Fleetwood: 8855 156 Street, for levels 1 to 3 with free day care.

City Centre Library: 10350 University Drive for English for the workplace ELSA 6&7, mornings, with free off-site day care.

Douglas College – ELSA Level 4 & 5

10060 King George Blvd Surrey, BC

Tel: 604-588-7772 tinyurl.com/a69ld2w

English classes for newcomers. ELSA 4 & 5 combines language instruction with classes on how to look for a job in Canada. Basic computer skills included. Free. Day and evening classes available.

English Conversation Class

Tel: 604-501-5100 (register) 604-591-4176 (information)

Free classes offered by Surrey Parks and Recreation. For more information call the above number or ask at your local recreation centre.

ESL Classes @ Cedargrove Baptist Church

10330- 144th St. Surrey BC V3T 4V3

Tel: 604-581-8933 www.the-grove.net esl@the-grove.net

Beginner and intermediate classes. Free. Beginner class requires a copy of the Oxford Picture Dictionary 2nd edition which can be purchased for about \$30 or borrowed from the library. Call to register.

Greenwood Languages at Surrey Libraries

www.surreylibraries.ca/research/4729.aspx#G

A free online ESL learning program. Requires a library card to login.

ESL Studies @ Kwantlen Polytechnic University

12666 72nd Avenue, Surrey,

Tel: 604-599-3165, www.kwantlen.ca/aca/els.html

Tuition-free courses to help you develop the skills needed to be successful in university courses and elsewhere. Student fees can be covered by the Adult Basic Education Student Assistance Program.

Mango Languages at Surrey Libraries

www.surreylibraries.ca/research/4729.aspx#M

Online English lessons for the speakers of a number of different languages including Mandarin and Cantonese, Arabic, Korean, Spanish and more.. Requires a library card to login.

S.U.C.C.E.S.S. ELSA program

206 - 10090 152nd Street Surrey BC

Tel: 604-588-6869 Ext. 103 tinyurl.com/b3p2fvk

Government funded language training program for newcomers to Canada. Offers levels 1-5.

Surrey School District's Literacy Foundations

Newton Adult Education Centre

12870 - 72 Avenue, Surrey, BC Tel: 604-594-2000

www.surreyschools.ca/schools/newtonadulted/

Students wishing to attain their high school completion and whose first language is not English. For adult students who need to upgrade skills for grade 10, 11 and 12 courses. A range of classes on listening, speaking and reading as well within the program.

Umoja Literacy program

10025 Whalley BLVD Surrey, B.C., V3T 4G1

Tel: 604-581-5574 www.umojaoperation.ca

Program for building English conversational skills, learning to read basic English and do basic mathematics and to help learners to gain enough confidence to access ESL/ELSA or career programs.

You can find more ESL classes here:

www.surrey.ca/community/3622.aspx

www.elsanet.org/site/

Citizenship

Citizenship Information @ Surreylibraries.ca

www.surreylibraries.ca/programs-services/4754.aspx

Citizenship Now! Website

www.citizenshipnow.ca

Provides online workshops, self-study sessions, one-on-one, e-guidance with a citizenship navigation officer and more.

Discover Canada @ Cedargrove Baptist Church

10330 144th St. Surrey BC V3T 4V3

Tel: 604-581-8933 www.the-grove.net esl@the-grove.net

Offers free 8 week Citizenship preparation courses.

Practice Citizenship Exams @ Learning Express

www.surreylibraries.ca/research/4729.aspx#L

You need a library card to sign in. These are a great way to test your knowledge before taking the test.

Practice Citizenship test @ Richmond Public Library

www.yourlibrary.ca/citizenship/

Richmond Public Library has created their own practice test.

Settlement Services in Surrey

www.surreylibraries.ca/programs-services/5509.aspx

Settlement workers can provide immigrants and refugee newcomers in Surrey with information about BC society, guidance and support on adjustment issues and connect them to the broader community. Settlement workers visit **City Centre** (604-598-7426) and **Strawberry Hill** (604-598-5839) Libraries as well as the **Guildford Recreation Centre** (604-502-6362). You can also find a list of settlement agencies in Surrey on the website below or ask at your local library. www.surrey.ca/community/3617.aspx

[Looking for services not covered in this brochure?](#)

Please ask at your local library. We are here to help.

www.surreylibraries.ca or 604-598-7300.

You can also call 211 for a free, confidential, multilingual information and referral line to a full range of community, social, and government services. Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Interested in some more resources or information? Ask library staff or check us out on the web here:

www.surreylibraries.ca/lowcost

If you would like further information or if you spot a change that is needed you can email us at

libraryinfo@surrey.ca



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Low Cost and Free

Education/ESL & Citizenship



www.surreylibraries.ca

Child & Teen Education

Alexandra Family Place

Tel: 604-535-0015 ext 229

www.alexhouse.net/children-family-programs-0

Offered Sept-June. Meet with other parents and caregivers while your toddlers play. Guest speakers periodically. \$5 per family per visit or books of 10 tickets for \$40.

Clover Valley Family Resource Program

Cloverdale Rec Centre 6188-176 St. Surrey

Tel: 604-613-5237. clovervalleyFRP@options.bc.ca

tinyurl.com/cskmhws

Children's activities and events for children ages 0-6.

Circle times, parenting program. Drop-in, \$1 per child.

First Steps ECD Settlement Program

Tel: 604-597-0205 ext 2104 or 2130 ruth.beardsley@options.bc.ca
tinyurl.com/ayc224k

Range of supports to refugee children 0-6 years. Drop-in. Parenting support, nutrition and health information, orientation to parenting in the Canadian context, mental health counseling, Dad's group.

Newton Location: DIVERSEcity #201, 7380 - 137 St. Surrey

North Surrey Location: Umoja - 10025 Whalley Blvd, Surrey

Friends of Simon Tutoring

10350 University Drive Surrey, BC

Tel: 778-782-8082 sfusurrey-engage@sfu.ca

http://tinyurl.com/kcvtc5b

Free tutoring for grades 5-9, open to immigrant students or parents/guardians have immigrated to Canada. Can help with Math, Science, English, French, Social Studies and more. Tutors are highly trained SFU students who speak a variety of second languages including French, Tagalog, Spanish, Romanian, Punjabi, and Czech.

Guildford Family Resource Program

10310 – 154th St. Surrey BC V3R 5Y7

Tel: 604-583-3844 tinyurl.com/a67f553

Low cost children’s activities for ages 0-6. Circle times to promote reading, parenting program, low cost Toy and Resource library and low cost lunches on Tuesdays. \$1 drop-in fee/\$3 lunch for adult and 2 children.

Growing Together Education Program (Options)

10707 – 146th St. Surrey BC V3R 1T5

Tel: 604-584-1181 tinyurl.com/bnnb4g7

Daycare for teen mothers who want to return to school at Guildford Park Secondary only.

Homework Tutors Online

www.learnnowbc.ca/studycentre/default.aspx

20 minute- Free online tutoring for students in grades 10-12. Available for Math, Social Studies and Science. Sundays to Thursdays from 6 -10pm. Also offers a free writing tutor on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Learning Centers in Surrey

Caring, supportive and flexible environment encourages students with varied needs to achieve personal success. For students aged 16 - 19 who have the necessary prerequisites for grade 10. Students deficient in these prerequisites may apply and acceptance will be at the discretion of the principal. Evening classes available at some locations

City Centre Learning Centre 13104-109 Ave . Surrey, B.C. V3T 2N7
Tel:604-590-4658 tinyurl.com/bxg649d

Cloverdale Learning Centre 5741 176th St. Surrey BC
Tel: 604-574-3615 cloverdaleLC@surreyschools.ca
tinyurl.com/ae2qrln

Guildford Learning Centre 10215 - 152A St. Surrey, B.C. V3R 4H6
Tel: 604-951-9553 tinyurl.com/a72ssgw

North Surrey Learning Centre 13479-77 Ave. Unit #109 Surrey, B.C.
Tel:778-578-7707 tinyurl.com/a5sfpv9

White Rock/South Surrey Learning Centre 13-2320 King George Blvd.
Tel:604-536-0550 whiterocklc@surreyschools.ca
tinyurl.com/agjqwmm

Learning Club @ Cloverdale Library

Tel: 604-574-2964 ext. 224 kistiesingh@sosbc.org

www.surreylibraries.ca/programs-services/5573.aspx

Homework and study help. Grades 5 – 8. Contact Kistie to register.

Myzone

Tel: 604-502-6360 (Guildford) 604-501-5540 (Newton)

After school program for children ages 9-12. Make new friends, get help with homework and play sports . Monday – Friday 3:00pm - 6:00pm. Must register initially then drop-in.

Newton Family Resource Program

#100 6846 King George Blvd. Surrey BC

Tel: 604-572-8032 local 1551 tinyurl.com/b3fp85g

Drop-in, for families with children 0-6 years. Circle times to promote reading. Variety of activities.

Pizza & Pencils Homework Club @ PCRS Youth Lounge

205-14727 108th Ave, Surrey

Tel: 604-587-8100 www.pcrs.ca/surrey_youth_resource_centres

Drop-in teen homework club Tuesdays 3-5pm. Other teen services.

Reading Buddies

www.surreylibraries.ca/programs-services/4941.aspx

Reading practice sessions for children in grades 2-4 at the City Centre, Cloverdale, Fleetwood, Guildford, Newton and Strawberry Hill Libraries.

Semiahmoo Family Place

Kensington Prairie Community Centre

16824 - 32 Avenue Surrey, BC V3S 0L5

Tel: 604-541-3261 www.semiahmoofamilyplace.com

Circle times to promote reading. Ages 0-5 years. Parents/caregivers can meet and network. \$3 non-member/\$2 members, membership by donation. Free punch cards for low income families.

Storytimes to Help Learn English

www.surreylibraries.ca/programs-services/5378.aspx

Family drop-in. All ages welcome. Free! Practice English! Both Mandarin and Punjabi programs available.

Mandarin/English:

Guildford Family Place

10310 154 Street. Surrey BC

Tel: 604-501-5844 (Victor)

S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Surrey Service Centre

#206 - 10090 152nd Street

Tel. 604-588-6869 ext. 108 (Monica)

Punjabi/English: Newton Family Place

The Early Years Centre, #100 - 6846 King George Blvd. Surrey. BC

Tel: 604-598-7379 (Surrinder)

Storytimes @ Surrey Libraries

Tel: Call your local branch for times and details.

www.surreylibraries.ca/programs-services/4925.aspx

We have lots of fun at library storytime! Trained children's staff will demonstrate ways parents and caregivers can share books and language with children to encourage a lifelong love of reading.

Strong Start

www.sd36.bc.ca/general/programs/strongstart.html

Offered at most elementary schools. StrongStart is a free, drop-in early learning program for preschool-aged children who are accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Qualified educators lead learning activities to help children get ready for success in kindergarten.

Umoja Homework Help

10025 Whalley Blvd Surrey, B.C., V3T 4G1

Tel: 604-581-5574 www.umojaoperation.ca

Homework help Tuesdays and Thursdays for ages 6-12 and for teens after school and Friday evenings. Call for current schedule.

Whalley Family Resource Program

12740 – 102 Ave Surrey BC (Oak Ave. Neighbourhood Hub)

Tel: 604-580-2344 tinyurl.com/cr8bnc2

Drop-in program for families with children 0-6 years. Circle times to promote reading. Play, snack and lunch program (for a nominal fee).

Youth Everlasting Seeds

10619 King George Blvd Surrey V3T 2X6

Tel: 778-385-5543 www.baobabinclusive.ca info@baobabinclusive.ca

Focuses on youths who need support and are willing to engage in activities which can foster their job readiness, discrimination, leadership and facilitation skills, self-esteem, innovation, volunteering, artistic development, computer knowledge, training and how to become active citizens in their new country.

Adult Education

Academic & Career Preparation @ Kwantlen

12666 72nd Avenue, Surrey or 5500 180th St. Surrey BC

Tel: 604-599-3165 www.kwantlen.ca/aca/acp.html

Flexible, tuition-free KPU courses in English, math and science, from foundations to grade 12 levels. Program at Cloverdale location (180th St.) focusses on prep for trades programs. Low student fees can be covered by the Adult Basic Education Student Assistance Program.

Adult Learning @ Learning Express

www.surreylibraries.ca/research/4729.aspx#L

Offers a wide range of online learning topics including high school review, college and GED preparation as well as computer classes.

French Life Skills

10619 King George Blvd Surrey V3T 2X6

Tel: 778-385-5543 www.baobabinclusive.ca

Program addresses the needs of new francophone vulnerable immigrants and refugees in our community. The focus will be on addressing literacy and life skills as a community concern. Clients in this program will learn about issues involving Canadian norms.

Internet Access @ Surrey Libraries

1.5 hour free computer access per day. 1.5 additional hour at Guildford, Strawberry Hill and Semiahmoo if no classes in Computer Learning Centres. Printing is 20 cents per page b&w. No faxing or scanning.

Invergarry Learning Centre

12772 – 88th Ave Surrey BC V3W 3J9

Tel: 604-595-8218 www.adulted.sd36.bc.ca/invergarry.html

Adult learning, high school academic classes, foundations and Dogwood diplomas. \$25 student activity fee but most classFes are free.

Learn with a Friend

Foundation Level (Beginner)

Tel: 604-596-7722 eva.touzard@pics.bc.ca

Free tutoring for adults (ages 19+) looking for help with reading and literacy. 2 hours per week at any public library with a 5 month commitment. Great program for any adult struggling with reading.

Vocational Level (Advanced) @ Kwantlen Polytechnic University

Tel: 604-593-3612 Jaspalkaur804@gmail.com

2 hour sessions over 8 week. For people wishing to gain workplace literacy skills, improve on their current employment and/or acquire skills to start a new career. English at ELSA level 3 preferred.

Newton Adult Education Centre

12870 - 72 Avenue, Surrey, BC

Tel: 604-594-2000 www.adulted.sd36.bc.ca/newton.html

English language instruction to prepare for High School courses.

Good for ESL students who have not completed English 10 in Canada.

Nobody’s Perfect Parenting Program

Tel: 604-583-3852

A free six week parenting program for parents or caregivers of children under 5. Offered at a variety of locations. Also run the program in Spanish and offer a ‘Nobody’s Perfect’ Parenting for Dads. Free child minding and free bus tickets are also provided.

P.E.A.P.S. (Parent Education & Peer Support Program)

Tel: 604-580-2344 PEAPS@options.bc.ca

This program also provides parent education on a variety of topics including health, wellness, nutrition, child development, stress and safety with young children. \$1 per child.

Monday - 12-2 pm Early Years Centre, #100-6846 King George Blvd.

Wednesday - 12-2 pm, Cloverdale Rec Centre, 6188 176 Street

Thursday - 12-2 pm & **Friday** 9:30-11:30am Oak Avenue Neighbourhood Hub 12740 - 102 Avenue, Surrey

Queen Elizabeth Adult Education Centre

9457 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC

Tel: 604-581-1413 tinyurl.com/blt2u8g

GED, high school completion and upgrading. \$25 student activity fee but most classes are free.

Woman’s Innovative Network

10619 King George Blvd Surrey V3T 2X6

Tel: 778-385-5543 (office) or 604-498-2553 www.baobabinclusive.ca

info@baobabinclusive.ca

Female only discussion group led by a variety of speakers and guests. Provides education in various life skills. Hosts workshops on health and financial literacy. Will also help with business plans and licenses.

Computer Classes

Chuck Bailey’s Seniors Computer Club

13458 - 107A Avenue Surrey, BC V3T 0G4

Phone: 604-598-5898 www.surrey.ca/culture-recreation/10920.aspx

Drop in and ask questions or discuss your favorite bit of technology. Must have a senior’s centre membership (\$22 per year/\$61.25 for Surrey wide pass). Ages 55+. 90 years and older receive free membership.

Cloverdale Seniors Computer Club

6188 - 176th Street, Surrey BC

Tel: 604-598-7960 www.surrey.ca/culture-recreation/8524.aspx

Club hosts their own tutorials and brings in outside speakers. Wide range of expertise among members. Small yearly club membership fee and members must have Seniors Centre membership (\$22 per year/ \$61.25 for Surrey wide). Ages 55+. 90+ years receive free membership.

Computer Comfort @ Neil Squire Society

Suite 220- 2250 Boundary Road Burnaby, BC V5M 3Z3

Tel: 604-473-9363 www.neilsquire.ca

Program for people physical disabilities with no or low computer skills. One on one coaching, for 2 hours a week. Will work with the participants goals. Assistive Technology Specialists will be available to consult on the most appropriate hardware and software to overcome any physical barriers. Equipment can be trialed and support to apply for funding is available. There is no charge for any of these services.

Computer Comfort (Distance)

Suite 220- 2250 Boundary Road Burnaby, BC V5M 3Z3

Tel: 604-473-9363 www.neilsquire.ca

Similar to the above program, this service is for people with mobility challenges or living outside of our geographic area. We serve all of Canada. The same services are available as long as you have access to high speed internet. Timing is flexible and is tailored to fit.