



# Sussex Tech Adult Division

*December 2023 and January 2024 Edition*

## **In this Edition...**

In this edition, we announce our Spring brochure, celebrate student achievements and include reminders of upcoming orientations. Happy New Year!

## **Upcoming Events**

January 15: Martin Luther King Day Observed, No Classes and Offices Closed

January 25: Groves Potential Graduates Meeting, 5:30 pm, Sussex Tech High School Cafeteria

February 5: Groves/GED Orientation, 5:30 pm, Sussex Tech High School Cafeteria

February 6: ESL Orientation, 5:30 pm, Sussex Tech High School Cafeteria

February 19: President's Day Observed, No Classes and Offices Closed

## **Note from Mrs. Whaley**

Happy New Year! A new year equals 365 new opportunities. Make 2024 your year to shine! We are here to help you reach your educational goals.



## Spring 2024 Brochure

Our Spring 2024 brochure is now available on our website! Click this link to access it <https://www.sussexvt.org/hs/adult-education/adult-ed-brochure/>. The brochure is also available in all Sussex County libraries and in retail stores throughout Sussex County.

## Introducing Two New Training Classes!


We are proud to offer two new classes! CDL Class A training prepares students to earn a Commercial Driver's License (CDL), Class A, enabling them to drive both class A and B commercial vehicles with airbrakes. The program includes classroom instruction, focused on preparing participants for the written exam, yard training, truck inspection, on-site driving and supervised over-the-road driving.

We also offer a Small Engine Repair class designed to teach students how to repair and maintain a variety of small engines commonly found in outdoor power equipment. This course provides a foundation for individuals interested in pursuing a career in small engine repair or those looking to maintain their own equipment. For more information about these programs, contact Julie Gould at 302-853-1560 or [julie.gould@sussexvt.k12.de.us](mailto:julie.gould@sussexvt.k12.de.us).


Thank you to Jeff Dawson at Dawson & Bedsworth Electrical Contractors for their tool donation! Our Apprenticeship students greatly appreciated the items.



# Driver Education Classes for New Castle County



**New Castle County**  
**Summer Driver Education Offered Through**  
**the**  
**Sussex Tech Adult Division at Ursuline**  
**Academy**



Our state - certified driver's education class includes 30 hours of classroom instruction along with the required 14 hours of in-the-car driving instruction and observation. This is our 17<sup>th</sup> year offering classes in New Castle County. A deposit is required when registering. **You must call the contact below or register on-line to reserve your seat.**

**CLASS DATES**

June 10 <sup>th</sup> - June 13 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Monday - Friday	8am - 2pm
July 8 <sup>th</sup> - July 11 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Monday - Friday	8am - 2pm

**Driving WILL extend beyond these dates**

**Tuition reimbursement** - 9<sup>th</sup> grade private and public school students going into the 10<sup>th</sup> grade **no longer** qualify for reimbursement from the Department of Education (DOE). However, you may take the class for the full tuition amount of \$648.

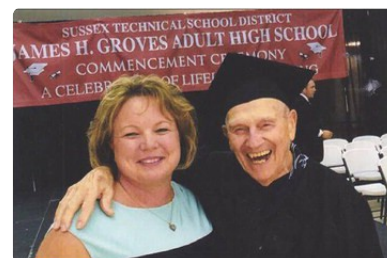
**Home school students**- Students in the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, or 12<sup>th</sup> grade will qualify for DOE funding in the amount of \$648 toward your tuition one time. The cost to students will be \$45 due at registration.

**Public/ Private school students**- For students who are 15 ½ years old or more and would like to take driver education this summer, the cost for is \$648. **This is applicable for public/private schools, where a driver ed teacher is provided during the school year.** \$126 deposit is required to secure set in the class. Remaining balance must be paid in full before Blue Slip can be issued. Form of payments accepted - Credit Card, Check or Money Orders.

**To register contact**  
**Chantea Harmon at 302-853 -1448 [Chantea.harmon@sussexvt.k12.de.us](mailto:Chantea.harmon@sussexvt.k12.de.us) OR ONLINE AT**  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSF7UoZLF4UJlirWB5b65yINmol\\_w9VhmPNWHNtit0NODxQllw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSF7UoZLF4UJlirWB5b65yINmol_w9VhmPNWHNtit0NODxQllw/viewform)

## Celebrating the 60th Anniversary of James H. Groves Adult High School

This year we are celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the James H. Groves Adult High School. Click on the link to read the article on pages 16-17 about how our Adult High School is in the business of second changes. <https://businessreport-de.newsmemory.com/>



## Register for a Groves/GED Orientation

Do you or someone you know need to earn a High School Diploma or GED? Orientations are currently held monthly. Click on the link below to register for an upcoming orientation. <https://www.sussexvt.org/hs/adult-education/adult-education-groves-ged-registration/>. The next orientation is February 5, 2024!



# Congratulations, Sam Hill!

## Class of 2024



Meet Sam Hill, the newest member of the Groves Adult High School's Class of 2024! Sam participated in the rigorous CEA3 program and is very proud of the "A" he earned on his research paper. He also thanks the staff for always understanding and caring about him. Sam now plans to enroll in Sussex Tech Adult Education's HVAC Apprenticeship program. Good luck, Sam! We are proud of you!



You can do it, too! Scan the QR code to enroll today!



<http://www.sussexvt.org/adulted>

## Where Are We Now? Wednesday

# REBECKA STEINER

### Class of 2022

Rebecka has accomplished so much since she graduated from Groves in 2022!



#### QAASIS Worker

Since graduation, she has been a student advocate and tutor for Groves students through the Organization of Adult Alumni & Students in Service.



#### Para-Professional

Soon after becoming our QAASIS worker, we hired Rebecka as a paraprofessional to assist teachers in Groves and GED classrooms, at three of our sites.



#### College Student

In the fall of 2022, Rebecka enrolled in DelTech, and in Spring 2024, she will earn an Associates Degree in Applied Science in Human Services. She has maintained a 4.0 GPA while working 2 jobs!



#### What's Next?

Rebecka has a new job as a case manager at Springboard Collective, a pallet village for the homeless. She will also enter Salisbury University in Fall 2024 to earn a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work.



**Register Now**



## Cassidy Leonetti is our newest GED earner! Congratulations Cassidy!



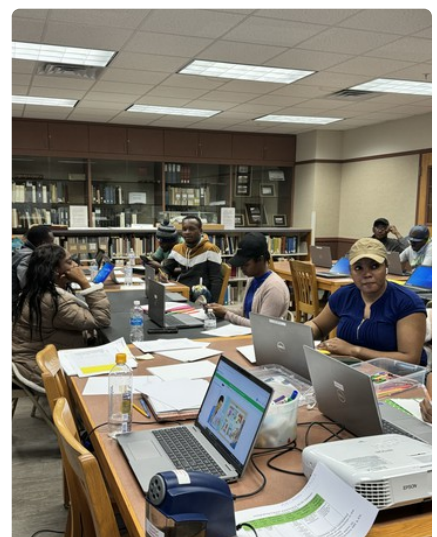
Each month, ESL classes complete an integrated career awareness lesson with students. December's lesson was to create a lifeline. Creating a lifeline helped ESL students of all levels to see how career related experiences are interwoven with other aspects of their lives.



Students share their lifeline project.



Students worked hard on their lifeline project and happily present it to their classmates.





ESL students at the Laurel Library work on their lifeline projects.

## ESL Registration

Do you want to improve your English? ESL students also have the opportunity to enroll in FREE workforce development classes. Our **LAST** ESL registration session for the school year will be held on February 6th at 5:30 in the cafeteria at Sussex Tech.

Sussex Tech Adult Education 

**FREE ESL CLASSES**

Registration:

- February 6, 2024
- 5:30 pm
- Sussex Tech High School Cafeteria

We offer:

- Beginner- Advanced Classes
- Day & Evening Classes
- Fun Activities
- Caring Instructors

**LOCATIONS**

- GEORGETOWN
- SEAFORD
- LAUREL
- SELBYVILLE
- BRIDGEVILLE


Call us for more information!  
302.856.9035, option 1

Sussex Tech Adult Education is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary Aids and services are available upon request for individuals with Disabilities.



Main Campus ESL students compete in games during the Holiday Celebration Event.



ESL students wait for instructions during the Holiday Celebration Event.



ESL students brought goodies to share!



ESL Students check in at the Registration Table during an ESL Orientation



ESL Students complete paperwork during an ESL Orientation



At the end of an ESL Orientation, students are given an oral language test to determine what level of class they need.



## Dental Assistants, Phlebotomists and More!

We offer several Health Professions Certificate programs - Phlebotomy Technician, Clinical Medical Assistant, Medical Billing and Coding Specialist. Thinking of entering the medical field? The time is now to see if you qualify for FREE tuition. Contact Julie Gould at 302-853-1560 or [julie.gould@sussexvt.k12.de.us](mailto:julie.gould@sussexvt.k12.de.us).



At the end of their course, Medical Assistants sit for the National Healthcareer Association exam.



Phlebotomy students show off their certificates and smiles after completing their National Certification Exam.



Two of our newest nationally certified Billing and Coding Specialists.

## Health Professions Graduation

A group of 65 students graduated on December 20 from Sussex Tech Adult Education's Health Professions programs including phlebotomy, medical billing and coding, clinical medical assistant, dental assistant and home health aide.

Sussex Tech Adult Education offers tuition assistance programs through partnerships with the Delaware Department of Labor, Bayhealth, Southern Delaware Education Foundation and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. In all, 17 medical professions graduates participated in the tuition assistance program.

Enjoy the photos below from Graduation.







A Home Health Aide graduate stands with his Instructors, Jenna Caraway and LouAnn Thibault.



Phlebotomy graduate Ethan Flynn takes a photo with Instructor Jennifer Ganly.



Our Dental Assistant graduates pose for a picture!

## Dual Enrollment Program with Sussex Tech High School

Sussex Tech High School students have the opportunity to enroll in our Adult Education classes and earn certification in addition to those earned in their technical areas. Pictured are the 17 Sussex Tech High School Students from the Health Professions and Physical Therapy/Athletic Health Care Technical Areas before they begin their national certification exam. Adult Ed Dual Enrollment Courses are available now for Forklift Operator. Coming soon are Marine Mechanics and Patient Care Assistant. Interested high school students should reach out to their Guidance Counselor.



## Certified Nursing Assistant

Registration is open for our March CNA class. Day and evening sessions are available. Current high school students are eligible to enroll in the evening class. Contact Joyce Kunde at 302-853-1492 or [joyce.kunde@sussexvt.k12.de.us](mailto:joyce.kunde@sussexvt.k12.de.us) for additional information. Classes start March 4th!

SUSSEX TECH ADULT EDUCATION

### HEALTH PROFESSIONS

## CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT PROGRAM

- Training is FREE for eligible students.
- Funding and employment opportunities available through our partnerships with BayHealth, DOL, and the State of Delaware.
- Payment Plan is available through Sussex Tech Adult Ed

- Day Class: Earn your CNA in less than a month!
- Evening Class: Earn your CNA in 6 weeks!
- In-person Classes
- Textbooks, CPR Certification, and Prometric Exam Fee, Background Check, TB Test, Drug Test, and Scrubs Included in Tuition

Click on the QR Code to view our full brochure.

For more information, contact Joyce Kunde at [joyce.kunde@sussexvt.k12.de.us](mailto:joyce.kunde@sussexvt.k12.de.us)

You can also visit our website: <http://www.sussexvt.org/adulted>

## Thankful for our Family Literacy Partners at Seaford School District

We are so thankful for our partnership with Seaford School District! Our Family Literacy Program utilizes Seaford Central Elementary every Monday and Wednesday evening. The use of Seaford Central Elementary allows for adults to participate in English as a Second Language classes while their children participate in early childhood or school-age classes. Each month there are parenting workshops and classes as well as a themed family oriented event where parents and children learn together. This month Beebe Healthcare visited our Family Literacy Program. Families interested in joining our Family Literacy Program are encouraged to reach out to Michelle Cook at [michelle.cook@sussexvt.k12.de.us](mailto:michelle.cook@sussexvt.k12.de.us) or 302-629-4587 ext 4220.



**Kelly Whaley**