

Tech Buddies & Computer Lessons @ Brella

15008 – 26 Ave. Surrey BC V4P 3H5
Tel: 604-531-9400 ext. 220, isaiah.clemente@brellasociety.ca
www.brellasociety.ca/tech-buddies-computer-lessons
Computer classes taught by volunteer seniors. Teaches basic Internet and computer skills. Pre-registration required.

Typing Club

www.typingclub.com
Free online typing lessons.

White Rock Senior's Computer Club

1475 Kent Street White Rock BC
Tel: 604-541-2231
Lectures on a variety of topics for all skill levels. Meetings on Wed 12:30-2:30pm. Must have current membership, runs from September to May.

English Language Lessons

Learning English with Surrey Libraries

We have programs, online tools, and study materials to help.
Programs www.surreylibraries.ca/eslevents

ESL Book Clubs - practice reading, speaking, and listening in English. Book clubs are free, fun, and friendly. Readers are welcome at any level from beginners to advanced.

ESL Café and Conversation Circles - The Newton branch has an ESL Café. You can meet new people, play games, and practice your English in a fun and casual group setting. Some other branches also host Conversation Circles with the City of Surrey.

Online Tools www.surreylibraries.ca/services/online-library

Clear Pronunciation—Learn to recognize and pronounce the 43 sounds of English.

Learning Express — Practice tests and tutorial courses. TOEFL, GED, GMAT, GRE, LSAT, MCAT and a range of other subjects.

Mango Languages — Learn English or other languages online!

Road to IELTS — A practice resource for the IELTS exams.

Study Materials www.surreylibraries.ca/eslmaterials

We have study materials for tests like IELTS and CELPIP. We also have books and kits for grammar, vocabulary, idioms and more.

English Classes @ DIVERSEcity

Tel: 604-547-1203 languageprograms@dcrs.ca
www.dcrs.ca/our-services/english-language-programs/
Offers a range of English classes in Surrey. This includes conversation circles, reading and writing classes, and LINC classes. Call or check their website for the latest classes.

English Conversation Programs

@ City of Surrey

Tel: 604-501-5100
Free programs offered by Surrey Parks and Recreation. For more information call or ask at your local recreation centre.

English Circle @ Alexandra

2916 McBride Avenue, Crescent Beach, BC V4A 3G2
Tel: 604-535-0015
www.alexhouse.net/events/community-programs/english-corner
Free, drop-in conversation group from newcomers. Currently virtual.

ESL Classes for Newcomers @ Options

13520 78th Ave, Surrey, BC V3W 8J6
Tel: 604-572-4060 ext.1135 (Monica Zhang)
monica.zhang@options.bc.ca
English Level 0-4 Classes: Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursdays. AM and PM classes. Free childminding support.
Learn English through Activities: Mondays. Intermediate levels (CLB4 and up). Activities include current events, ukulele, arts & crafts, etc.

ESL Studies @ Kwantlen Polytechnic University

12666 72nd Avenue, Surrey
Tel: 604-599-3030 www.kwantlen.ca/aca/els.html
Prepares students for academic university courses. Permanent residents and domestic students can apply for tuition free status. Nominal student fees apply.

Mosaic Surrey Newcomers' Centre & Migrant

Worker's Hub

7134 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC
Tel: 778-591-9334 www.mosaicbc.org
Online conversation circles and citizenship classes. Some in person events as well.

Surrey School District's Literacy Foundations

Invergarry Adult Education 12772 88 Avenue Surrey, B.C.
Tel: 604-595-8218
www.surreyschools.ca/page/582/literacy-courses
For students (PR and Canadian citizens) wishing to attain their high school completion and whose first language is not English. Provides English instruction to prepare for academic courses. For adult students who need to upgrade skills for grade 10, 11 and 12 courses.

Umoja Adult Literacy and Life Skills

#208 – 14888 104 Avenue, Surrey, BC V3R 1M4
Tel: 604-581-5574 www.umojaoperation.ca
New arrivals to Canada and individuals who have been in Canada for years and want to take the first step in learning how to speak, read and write English are welcome. Life skills workshops.

LINC –Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada

The LINC program is funded by the federal government and is free.
tinyurl.com/3r3spatb

To qualify you must:

- *Be a newcomer to Canada *17 years old or older
- * Permanent resident

* Have at least one of the approved documents (list of these is in the online document linked above. Ask library staff if you are unsure.)

The following do not qualify: Canadian citizens, temporary visitors, temporary foreign workers and refugee claimants who have not yet received a positive decision on their refugee status claim.

To apply: **Surrey Language Assessment Centre**
#202 – 7337 137th St. Surrey, BC V3W 1A4
Tel: 604-507-4150 Fax: 604-507-4155

Once you have been accepted you will also go here for an assessment test. After that the LINC classes are offered at a number of locations in Surrey and they will help you find the one closest to home.

Citizenship

Citizenship Information @ Surreylibraries.ca

surreylibraries.ca/services/newcomers
Website has the current information you need to study for Surrey.

Mosaic Surrey Newcomers' Centre

7134 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC
Tel: 778-591-9334 www.mosaicbc.org
Online citizenship classes.

Practice Citizenship Exams @ Learning Express

surrey.bibliocommons.com/item/show/712150071_learningexpress_library
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.

Looking for services not covered in this brochure?

Please ask at your local library. We are here to help. Visit us, call 604-598-7300 or at www.surreylibraries.ca/lowcost.

You can also call 211 for a free, confidential, multilingual help. Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Online at bc.211.ca.

If you would like more information or if you spot correction email us at lowcost@surrey.ca

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Child & Teen Education

Family Resource Programs

www.options.bc.ca/program/family-resource-program
Free drop-in program for families with children 0-6 years. Offers a welcoming, fun, child friendly space for families to play, socialize, share information, receive support, access resources and learn from Early Childhood Educators.

Clayton Hall: 18513 70a Avenue, Surrey Tel: 604-764-8635
Mondays: 10 - 12 pm

Guildford: 10310 – 154th St. Surrey Tel: 604-583-3844
Tues to Sat: 9:30 - 11:30 am, plus Thurs: 1 - 3 pm

Whalley: 12740 – 102 Ave Surrey BC Tel: 604-580-2344
Mon to Wed: 9:30 - 11:30 am

Early Years Hub

204 - 7327 137 St. Surrey, BC
Tel: 604-619-9488 the-centre.org/early-years-program
A free, friendly, welcoming setting where children (birth to 6 years old) and their parent/caregiver can come play, read, socialize and make new friends. Helps families find support, resources, and programs to fit their needs related to parenting, child development, or the health and safety of children.

Envision Financial Reading Buddies

surreylibraries.ca/services/teens/reading-buddies
Reading practice for children in grades 2-4.

First Steps Early Years Refugee Settlement

Tel: 778-868-1802
www.options.bc.ca/program/first-steps-early-years-settlement-program
Supports refugee families and their children 0-6 years. Includes drop-in programs, parenting support, nutrition and health information. Also orientation to parenting in the Canada, mental health counseling, and a father's group.
Newton Location: DIVERSEcity #201, 7380 - 137 St. Surrey
North Surrey Location: #208 – 14888 104 Ave Surrey

Learning Centers in Surrey

Caring, and flexible environment encourages students with varied needs to achieve success. For students ages 15-18 who have the necessary prerequisites for grade 10. Students wishing to register must be referred by an administrator or counsellor at their current school and will be required to go through an intake process.

City Centre Learning Centre 13104-109 Ave. Surrey
Tel: 604-581-0611 www.surreyschools.ca/citycentrallc
Cloverdale Learning Centre #200-5658 176th Street Surrey
Tel: 604-574-3615 www.surreyschools.ca/cloverdalelc
Guildford Learning Centre #300-10183 152A St. Surrey
Tel: 604-951-9553 www.surreyschools.ca/guildfordlearningcentre
North Surrey Learning Centre 9260 140th St. Surrey
Tel: 604-583-4040 www.surreyschools.ca/northsurreylc
White Rock/South Surrey Learning Centre 13-2320 King George Blvd.
Tel: 604-536-0550 www.surreyschools.ca/whiterocklc

Learning Disabilities Association-Fraser South

#101 – 14225 57 Avenue, Surrey, BC V3X 0H6
Tel: 604-591-5156 info@ldafs.org www.ldafs.org
One-to-one tutoring for children and youth in reading, writing, and math. Seminars for parents and professionals. Some funding for tutoring through the CKNW Kid's fund.

Myzone

www.surrey.ca/culture-recreation/17668.aspx
After school program for children ages 8-12. Make new friends, work on homework and play sports. Must register initially then drop-in. Offered at many schools and recreation centres. Ask at your local recreation centre.

Parent Education & Peer Support Program (PEAPS)

For parents, or caregivers of children (0 to 6) who want to connect with other families and learn from Early Childhood Educators.
Cloverdale Recreation Centre 6188 176 St crina.popa@options.bc.ca
Guildford Family Resource Program 10310 154th St Tel: 604-583-3844
Oak Avenue Neighbourhood Hub 12740 - 102 Avenue Tel: 604-580-2344

PCRS Surrey Youth Hubs

City Centre: 10453 Whalley Blvd Surrey Tel: 604-587-8100
Newton: 114-13479 76th Ave, Surrey Tel: 604-592-6200
pcrs.ca
Provides one-stop access for youth and families to access drop-in resource rooms for support, food, laundry, showers as well as programming for social, health, education, housing, substance use support, employment, and life skills services at 2 locations.

Semiahmoo Family Place

Kensington Prairie Community Centre 16824 - 32 Avenue Surrey, BC
www.semiahmoofamilyplace.com ed@semiahmoofamilyplace.com
www.facebook.com/SemiahmooFamilyPlace/
Safe and fun semi-structured space for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers to play together, and for parents and caregivers to have the opportunity to build skills, and learn from each other. Support from on-site early childhood facilitators. Drop-in fee is \$5 per family.

Support for Parents of Young Children

Early Years Centre 100 - 6846 King George Blvd. Surrey, BC
Tel: 604-583-3852 (Office) SPYC@options.bc.ca
www.options.bc.ca/program/support-parents-young-children
Our program provides education and support for parents and caregivers of children 0-5 years old. This program offers support based on the science of child development and attachment theory which will encourage the development of healthy families and deeper connections within the community. Services are available through one to one support or an eight week parenting education group (Parenting Through the Child's Eyes).

Surrey Academy of Innovative Learning (SAIL)

8555 142A Street Surrey (Elementary)
Tel: 604-596-8561
14033 – 92 Avenue Surrey (Secondary)
Tel: 604-592-4263
sailacademy.ca
Offers "blended learning" programs that integrate classroom face-to-face learning with on-line learning experiences. Also offers exclusively online courses for grades 8 to 12. Also offers K-7 STEAM based program.

Storytimes @ Surrey Libraries

Tel: Call your local branch for times and details.
www.surreylibraries.ca/story
We have lots of fun at library storytime! Children's staff will show parents and caregivers ways they can encourage love of reading.

Strong Start

www.surreyschools.ca/page/12151/strongstart
Offered at most elementary schools. It is a free early learning program for preschool-aged children and their parent or caregiver. Offers learning activities to help get ready for success in kindergarten.

Tutoring, Homework and English Support Program with Friends of Simon Tutoring

10350 University Drive Surrey, BC
Tel: 604-307-7887
tinyurl.com/mr36y33r fosimon@sfu.ca www.sfu.ca/fostutor.html
Free homework help for students in grades 4 to 7 who are newcomers to Canada, or whose parents are newcomers. Offered in partnership with SFU's Friends of Simon Tutoring at the City Centre branch. Friends of Simon provides tutoring at a variety of sites around the Lower Mainland.

United Way School's Out Umoja Program

#208 – 14888 104 Avenue, Surrey, BC V3R 1M4
Tel: 604-581-5574 www.umojaoperation.ca
Afterschool program to support newcomer children. Celebrates the diverse cultural background while introducing Canadian culture through interaction with Canadian born mentors. Offers Homework Help, Tutoring, Communication and Social Skills, and recreation. Saturday program offers games, activities and community connection.

Adult Education

Academic & Career Preparation @ Kwantlen

Tel: 604-599-2321 www.kpu.ca/acp
Flexible, no tuition upgrading courses for English. Also offers upgrading for Math, Biology, Chemistry and Physics for permanent residents and domestic students. A free assessment is required to determine starting level. Offered at Surrey, Richmond and Langley. Small class sizes; one-to-one help. Low student fees can be covered with an Adult Upgrading Grant.

Invergarry Adult Education Centre

12772 – 88th Ave Surrey BC V3W 3J9
Tel: 604-595-8218 www.surreyschools.ca/schools/iaec
Adult learning, high school academic classes, and foundations. \$20 student resource fee. All classes are free except for international students.

Online Learning @ Surrey Libraries

www.surreylibraries.ca/onlinelearning
Learning Express: High school review, college and GED preparation as well as computer classes. All available online from home, when it works for you.

LinkedIn Learning Online learning with courses taught by world experts. Learn new software, business strategies, algebra and more.

Mango Languages: A great online language learning tool.

Partners - Adult Literacy Tutoring

Tel: 778-242-READ (7323) hello@readsurreywhiterock.com
www.readsurreywhiterock.com
Free one-to-one tutoring program for adults who want to improve their reading, writing, or math skills. Open to adults living or working in Surrey or White Rock, fluent in English, and reading or writing at less than a grade 8 level. We help with comprehension, grammar, spelling, beginner math, and more. Tutoring is offered both remotely and in-person. Volunteer inquiries welcome.

Queen Elizabeth Adult Education Centre

9457 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC
Tel: 604-581-1413
www.surreyschools.ca/queenelizabethcontinuingeducation
Offering late afternoon and night courses to adults for high school completion and upgrading. Also offers tuition-free classes to graduated adults. Offers academic as well as hands-on trades courses.

Computer Classes

Cloverdale Seniors Computer Club

6188 - 176th Street, Surrey BC
Tel: 604-598-7960 tinyurl.com/y2vb2xxz
Club hosts their own tutorials and brings in outside speakers. Wide range of expertise among members. Must have a senior's centre membership (\$25 per year). Ages 55+.

Computer Comfort @ Neil Squire Society

400-3999 Henning Dr, Burnaby, BC V5C 6P9
Tel: 604-473-9363 www.neilsquire.ca
Provides one-on-one computer training for people with disabilities in a supportive, participant-centered environment. Areas of training include word processing, email, and the internet. This program is also available online as Distance Computer Comfort; contact Gordon Watt at gordonw@neilsquire.ca for information. Neil Squire also offers a range of free programs, including Working Together, which helps people with disabilities prepare for, obtain and maintain employment; and Makers Making Change, which connects local makers with people with disabilities who need assistive technologies.

Computer Classes at Surrey Libraries

surreylibraries.ca/events
Free beginners' classes offered at City Centre, Guildford, Semiahmoo, Strawberry Hill libraries. Covers computer basics including mousing, using the Internet, email and Microsoft Word basics. Also offers drop in technology help at some branches.

Digital Connect

Tel: 604-404-1215
pics.bc.ca/programs/settlement-services/settlement-services/newcomer-digital-connect/
Free basic computer training for newcomer women. A 9 week online program where you will receive coaching and guidance in employment-related areas, learn key online job search skills and networking skills. For permanent residents, open work permit holders or refugee claimant women aged 19+.

Newton Senior's Computer Club

13775 - 70th Avenue Surrey, BC V3W 0E1
Tel: 604-501-5010 newtonseniorscomputerclub.webs.com/
Computer classes, drop-in tech sessions and workshops for seniors. Annual membership is \$15 but you can try it for 3 meetings first.

Online Computer Classes

@ Learning Express and LinkedIn Learning

surreylibraries.ca/services/online-library#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. Offer online classes on a range of topics.