

Computer classes at Surrey Libraries

surreylibraries.ca/events

Free beginners' classes offered at City Centre, Guildford, Semi-ahmoo, Strawberry Hill libraries. Covers computer basics including mousing, using the Internet and email and Microsoft Word basics. Also offers drop in technology help at a number of branches.

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 newtonseniorscomputerclub.webs.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 and Lynda

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. Both services offer online classes on a range of topics.

White Rock Senior's Computer Club

1475 Kent Street White Rock BC

Tel: 604-541-2231 wrscc.ca

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

Open English Language Classes and Resources

The following are open to anyone.

English Conversation Programs @ Surrey Recreation

Tel: 604-501-5100 (register)

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

English Corner @ Alexandra

2916 McBride Avenue, Crescent Beach, BC V4A 3G2

Tel: 604-535-0015

www.alexhouse.net/events/community-programs/english-corner
Conversation group from newcomers.

ESL Classes @ Cedar Grove Baptist Church

10330- 144th St. Surrey BC V3T 4V3

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

Call for dates. Beginner, intermediate and advanced classes.

ESL Classes @ Middle East Friendship Centre

13483 108th Ave Surrey BC V3T 2K2

Tel: 604-288-5588 www.mefriendshipcentre.com

Call for times and more information.

ESL Library Databases @ Surrey Libraries

surreylibraries.ca/services/research

4 free language learning services that you can use online.

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

Mango Languages — Learn English online! You can also use this to learn other languages like French.

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

Rosetta Stone — Learn English and a number of other languages online. There is also an app available.

ESL Studies @ Kwantlen Polytechnic University

12666 72nd Avenue, Surrey

Tel: 604-599-2964 www.kwantlen.ca/aca/els.html

Learners can start at any level depending on their placement test results and will prepare students for academic university courses. The program is offered at Surrey, Langley and Richmond campuses. Tuition free for permanent residents and domestic students (call for eligibility details). Nominal student fees apply.

Surrey School District's Literacy Foundations

Invergarry Adult Education 12772 88 Avenue Surrey, B.C. V3W 3J9

Tel: 604-595-8218 www.surreyschools.ca/schools/iaec/

For students 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 grades 10, 11 and 12 courses.

Umoja Adult Literacy program

#208 – 14888 104 Avenue, Surrey, BC V3R 1M4

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

Program for building English conversation skills, learning to read, write and comprehend English. Level 1 and 2 are available. Offered twice a week, and childminding is available.

LINC –Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada

The LINC program is funded by the federal government and is free. It replaces the long running ELSA program and is very similar.

To qualify you must:

- * Be a newcomer to Canada
- * 17 years old or older
- * Approved for permanent residence
- * Have at least one of the approved documents (list of these is in the online document linked below. 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. Also has links to citizenship practice exams and other useful resources.

Citizenship Classes @ Middle East Friendship Centre

13483 108th Ave Surrey BC V3T 2K2

Tel: 604-288-5588 www.mefriendshipcentre.com

Call for more information.

Mosaic Surrey Newcomers' Centre

7134 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC

Tel: 778-591-9334 tinyurl.com/yakok2la

Monthly free citizenship classes, settlement workshops, English conversation classes, support groups, literacy classes and more.

MyCanada @ Surrey Libraries

surreylibraries.ca/services/online-library#M

Online learning tool to help you get ready for the Canadian citizenship exam. Includes practice tests and study materials.

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.

Settlement Services in Surrey

Tel: 604-502-6325 www.surrey.ca/community/14993.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 a number of City venues throughout Surrey. You can find times and locations by calling 604-502-6325, asking at your local library and on website.

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

2916 McBride Avenue, Crescent Beach, BC V4A 3G2

Tel: 604-535-0015

www.alexhouse.net/events/general/alexandra-family-place

Offered Sept-June. Meet with other parents and caregivers while your toddlers play.

Clover Valley Family Resource Program

Clayton Hall 18513 70a Avenue, Surrey BC

Tel: 604-764-8635 clovervalleyfrp@options.bc.ca

www.options.bc.ca/program/family-resource-program

Drop in program for families of children age 0 to 6. Family networking, community resources, playgroup, access to Early Childhood professionals. \$1 per child. Hours Monday 10am-12pm.

First Steps Early Years Refugee

Settlement Program

Tel: 604-547-2027

www.options.bc.ca/program/first-steps-early-years-settlement-program

Range of supports to refugee families and their children 0-6 years that include drop-in programs, 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: #208 – 14888 104 Ave Surrey

Friends of Simon Tutoring

10350 University Drive Surrey, BC

Tel: 778-782-7342 fosimon@sfu.ca

www.sfu.ca/education/fostutor.html

Free tutoring for grades 5-9, open to immigrant students or if 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.

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. \$1 drop-in fee.

Growing Together Education Program (Options)

10707 – 146th St. Surrey BC V3R 1T5

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

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

Homework Tutors Online

www.learnnowbc.ca/tutoring/

20 minute- Free online tutoring for students in grades 10-12. Available for Math, Social Studies and Science.

Learning Centers in Surrey

Caring, and flexible environment encourages students with varied needs to achieve success. For students aged 15 - 19 who have the necessary prerequisites for grade 10. Students without these prerequisites may apply and acceptance will be at the discretion of the principal.

City Centre Learning Centre 13104-109 Ave . Surrey, B.C. V3T 2N7
Tel: 604-581-0611 tinyurl.com/bxg649d

Cloverdale Learning Centre 200-5658-176th Street Surrey BC
Tel: 604-574-3615 tinyurl.com/ae2qrln

Guildford Learning Centre #300 - 10183 152A St. Surrey, B.C. V3R 4H6
Tel: 604-951-9553 tinyurl.com/a72ssgw

North Surrey Learning Centre 9260 140th St. Surrey, B.C.
Tel: 604-583-4040 tinyurl.com/a5sfpv9

White Rock/South Surrey Learning Centre 13-2320 King George Blvd.
Tel:604-536-0550 tinyurl.com/agiquwm

Learning Disabilities Association-Fraser South Chapter

#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; keyboarding instruction; self-advocacy training; and summer tutoring programs. Seminars for parents and professionals.

Myzone

After school program for children ages 8-12. Make new friends, get help with homework and play sports. Must register initially then drop-in. Free with Rec Centre Membership or Low Income Pass, or \$40 for the school year. Offered at a number of schools and recreation centres. Ask at your local recreation centre.

Newton Family Resource Program

#100 6846 King George Blvd. Surrey BC

Tel: 604-572-8032 local 1557

www.options.bc.ca/program/family-resource-program

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

Pizza & Pencils Homework Club @ PCRS Youth Lounge

City Centre: 10453 Whalley Blvd Surrey Tel: 604-587-8100

Newton: 114-13479 76th Ave, Surrey Tel: 604-592-6200

pcrs.ca/service-resource-centres/surrey-youth-resource-centre

Drop-in teen homework club Wednesdays 3-6pm at Guildford and Tuesdays from 3-5pm at Newton. Other teen services.

Reading Buddies

surreylibraries.ca/services/teens/reading-buddies

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

Surrey Academy of Innovative Learning (SAIL)

14033 – 92 Avenue Surrey, British Columbia V3V 0B7

Tel: 604-592-4263 sailacademy.ca

Alternative high school. Offers a variety of alternative learning options, including partially online and fully online options.

Semiahmoo Family Place

Kensington Prairie Community Centre

16824 - 32 Avenue Surrey, BC V3S 0L5

Tel: 604-592-2619 www.semiahmoofamilyplace.com

Circle times to promote reading. Ages 0-6 years. Parents/caregivers can meet and network. Drop-in fee is \$4 per family for Pay-As-You-Go or \$2.50 per visit with the purchase of a pre-paid Punch Card.

Storytimes @ Surrey Libraries

Tel: Call your local branch for times and details.

surreylibraries.ca/services/kids-families

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.surreyschools.ca/EarlyLearning/StrongStart/

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.

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 6-12 years old with homework focusing on reading, writing and English comprehension. Saturday program offers games, activities and community connection.

Whalley Family Resource Program

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

Tel: 604-580-2344 mary.ydenberg@options.bc.ca

www.options.bc.ca/program/family-resource-program

Drop-in program for families with children 0-6 years. Circle times to promote reading. Play, snack and lunch program. Mon-Weds 10:00 - 1:00pm. Drop in cost is \$1.00 per child; Lunch is \$3:00 (an adult and 2 children).

Youth Everlasting Seeds

1-10318 Whalley Blvd, Surrey, BC V3T 4H4

Tel: 604-585-6775 www.baobabinclusive.ca info@baobabinclusive.ca

Focuses on youths (ages 12-25 years) who need support and are willing to engage in activities which can foster their job readiness, leadership and facilitation skills, self-esteem, volunteering, artistic development, computer training and how to become active citizens in their new country. Provide free bus tickets, food and certifications.

Adult Education

Academic & Career Preparation @ Kwantlen

Tel: 604-599-2964 www.kwantlen.ca/aca/acp.html

Flexible, low-tuition KPU courses in English, math and science, from foundations to grade 12 levels. Small class sizes; one-to-one help. Low student fees can be covered by the Adult Upgrading Grant.

French Life Skills

1-10318 Whalley Blvd, Surrey, BC V3T 4H4

Tel: 604-585-6775 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.

Invergary 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, foundations and Dogwood diplomas. \$15 student resource fee but most classes are free.

Learn with a Friend

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

Free, confidential and offers one-to-one tutoring to learners 19 years of age or older. Tutors and learners are paired and meet once a week for 2 hours in a public place like a library.

Learning Express @ Surrey Libraries

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

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

Nobody’s Perfect Parenting Program

Tel: 604-583-3852 ext. 2

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

Parent Education & Peer Support Program (PEAPS)

Tel: 604-764-8635 PEAPS@options.bc.ca

Drop in program for families of children age 0 to 6. Family networking, community resources, playgroup, access to Early Childhood professionals. \$1 per child.

Mondays: 1:30 - 3:30 pm Early Years Centre, #100-6846 King George Blvd

Wednesdays: 10 - 12 pm Clayton Hall 18513-70 Avenue

Thursdays and Fridays: 9:30 - 11:30am Oak Avenue Neighbourhood Hub 12740 - 102 Avenue, Surrey

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 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 reading, writing and math skills.

Queen Elizabeth Adult Education Centre

9457 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC

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

Offering late afternoon and night courses to students for high school completion and upgrading. We also offer tuition-free classes to graduated adults. Offers academic as well as hands-on trades courses.

Woman’s Innovative Network

1-10318 Whalley Blvd, Surrey, BC V3T 4H4

Tel: 604-585-6775 www.baobabinclusive.ca info@baobabinclusive.ca

Female only discussion group led by a variety of speakers and guests. Encourage entrepreneurship, and job searching as well as volunteering. 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/14353.aspx

Drop in and ask questions or discuss your favorite bit of technology. Must have a senior’s centre membership (\$24.75 per year) and club membership (\$14). Ages 55+.

Cloverdale Seniors Computer Club

6188 - 176th Street, Surrey BC

Tel: 604-598-7960 www.surrey.ca/culture-recreation/14353.aspx

Club hosts their own tutorials and brings in outside speakers. Wide range of expertise among members. Must have a senior’s centre membership (\$24.75 per year). Ages 55+.

Computer Comfort @ Neil Squire Society

400-3999 Henning Dr, Burnaby, BC V5C 6P9

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

Program for individuals with 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)

400-3999 Henning Dr, Burnaby, BC V5C 6P9

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.

Computer Sessions @ Seniors Come Share

15008 – 26 Ave. Surrey BC V4P 3H5

Tel: 604-531-9400 ext. 203 www.comeshare.ca

Free computer classes taught by volunteer seniors. Teaches basic Internet and computer skills. Pre-registration required. By donation.