



THE GOODWILL LEARNING ACADEMY

offers a method for adult learners to earn a National High School Diploma, separately from the GED pathway. Serving more than 70 adults each year, GLA's barrier-reducing model responds to each learner's needs, expands access and improves economic opportunities for adult learners living in the City of Rochester and Monroe County, NY.

GLA PATHWAYS TO HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY

COMMUNITY-BASED PATHWAY

- 10 weeks duration
- Adults attend the center every day from 9:30am-12:30pm
- Adults earn their diploma very quickly
- Coach is available at all times
- Adults must attend the center at least 3 times per week
- Must maintain 15 hours of online time per week
- Max of seven adults at any one time

INDEPENDENT PATHWAY

- 8 months duration
 - Adults attend the center once per week for two hours
 - Better option for working-adults
 - Requires more self-direction
 - Adult must maintain 5 hours per week of online work
 - Max of seven adults in the program at any one time
 - Evening hours and flexible scheduling accommodate working learners
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ALL STUDENTS RECEIVE SUPPORTIVE ONBOARDING, DIPLOMA COMPLETION AND EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT.

Once enrolled in program, adult learners receive an initial barrier assessments and academic screening to determine any additional foundational learning needed to succeed. Student are assigned an academic coach and after completing 12 hours of learning receive a laptop for home study access. All students receive one-one-one coaching sessions and monthly team meetings to track progress. Upon graduation, academic coaches assist with post-diploma transitions to employment for further education.

AN ESTIMATED 40% OF ADULT LEARNERS COMPLETED THE PROGRAM BY MONTH 12 AND 50% OF STUDENTS ARE CONNECTED TO EXTERNAL WORKFORCE PARTNERS BY PROGRAM'S END.

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