

COMMUNITY EDUCATION GUIDE

Spring 2026

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One-day forklift training.
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Lifelong Learning

Learn to make a beautiful
Italian dinner. See page 21.

For Kids & Youth

Kick off your summer with the
Chicago Fire FC Soccer Camp!
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companies excel! See page 14.



Elgin
Community
College

Bright Choice. Bright Future.

Improve your life through learning at Elgin Community College.



See all our offerings:



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FIND THE RIGHT CLASS FOR YOU!

Be on the lookout for these icons to indicate different types of classes.



Online Class



New Class



WIOA Approved Class

You may be eligible for grant funding to complete this class. See page 10 for more information.

Every week, there's a chance to UPGRADE YOUR CAREER

ECC CAREER INFORMATION SESSIONS

Learn about our short-term career training programs, earn-as-you-learn apprenticeships and internships, and grants that can help you pay for your education.

RESUME WRITING WORKSHOPS

Learn what employers are looking for and how to structure an engaging resume that gives you the best chance at getting noticed.

INTERVIEW WORKSHOPS

Learn and practice tips for making a great impression when you land that interview.

See the full schedule and register at elgin.edu/workforce or email workforce@elgin.edu.

Elgin Community College complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to ensure that no students, employees, visitors, or other beneficiaries of the ADA encounter discrimination on the basis of their disability. All college facilities, services, and programs must be accessible to students, employees, and visitors with disabilities unless doing so would be an undue burden to the college. ECC can provide reasonable accommodations to qualified students with disabilities for successful entrance into and completion of courses, but students should note that the college is not required to, nor should it, compromise on program admissions or essential course requirements. Qualified students with disabilities must contact the Student Access and Disability Services Office to request reasonable accommodations. For more information on students' rights and responsibilities, visit elgin.edu/ada. 320850/JC/20251120

Career Training and Professional Development

NEW YEAR, NEW YOU.

Start a new career with short-term training, or boost your skills through professional development classes at ECC.

CONSTRUCTION

Work Zone Flagger **NEW**

\$149

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: WORK ZONE FLAGGER CERTIFICATION, NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL (NSC)

Develop the skills to safely control traffic around work zones using proper signaling, signage, and communication. Apply safety procedures, use protective equipment, and follow emergency protocols to maintain a safe environment for workers and drivers. Prerequisite: You must be 18 years old. (4 hours)

CAR-009-100 • TH • 3/12 • 8 am to 12 pm

CAR-009-101 • SA • 4/18 • 8 am to 12 pm

Home Inspection **NEW**

\$1,449

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: HOME INSPECTION LICENSING, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION

Learn how to conduct professional home inspections by identifying structural, electrical, and safety issues in residential properties. This training prepares students with the technical knowledge and practical skills needed to start a career as a certified home inspector. Your book and five supervised field inspections are included. Additional costs may apply for licensing. Prerequisites: You must be 18 years old and have a high school diploma or GED. (60 hours)

WFD-610-100 • MW • 3/11 to 5/27 • 6 to 9 pm



DRONES

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

Part 107 Test Prep **NEW**

\$149

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (UAV) PART 107, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

Prepare to become a certified commercial drone pilot by mastering the FAA Part 107 knowledge test. This course covers airspace regulations, flight operations, weather, and safety protocols essential for operating UAVs in compliance with federal standards. Additional costs may apply for the exam. Prerequisite: You must be 16 years old. (12 hours)

WFD-612-100 • W • 3/4 to 3/25 • 6 to 9 pm

WFD-612-101 • TH • 7/7 to 7/28 • 6 to 9 pm



Drone Training for First Responders

Take your emergency response skills to new heights! Our UAV Part 107 Test Prep and Drone Operations Training equips Emergency Medical Services (EMS) professionals with the knowledge and hands-on experience to deploy drones safely and effectively in medical emergencies, search and rescue, and disaster response. Learn FAA regulations, airspace safety, and real-world drone applications designed specifically for first responders. For more information, visit elgin.edu/ce.

FOOD SERVICE AND HOSPITALITY

Las clases de servicios de alimentos también están disponibles en español. Consulte la página 18 para más detalles.

ServSafe Food Manager Certification **\$199**

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: ANSI CERTIFIED FOOD PROTECTION MANAGER (CFPM), SERVSAFE

Learn a practical approach to food safety based on the criteria established by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH). This course will prepare you for the ANSI Accredited National Food Manager Exam, which is administered during the class. Your book and first credentialing exam are included. (10 hours)

WFD-601-100 • M • 1/26 • 8 am to 6 pm

WFD-601-101 • TH • 2/26 • 8 am to 6 pm

WFD-601-102 • M • 3/23 • 8 am to 6 pm

WFD-601-103 • TH • 4/30 • 8 am to 6 pm

WFD-601-104 • TH • 5/21 • 8 am to 6 pm

FORKLIFT

Las clases de montacargas también están disponibles en español. Consulte la página 18 para más detalles.

Forklift Operator - Sit Down **\$199**

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: FORKLIFT OPERATOR, OSHA

Learn to operate a sit-down industrial lift truck safely and confidently while completing the OSHA-required training and performance evaluation. You must be 18 years old. (8 hours)

WFD-400-100 • W • 2/25 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-400-101 • SA • 3/21 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-400-102 • W • 4/22 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

Forklift Operator - Stand Up **NEW \$199**

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: FORKLIFT OPERATOR, OSHA

Learn to operate a stand-up industrial lift truck safely and confidently while completing the OSHA-required training and performance evaluation. You must be 18 years old. (8 hours)

WFD-401-100 • SA • 2/21 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-401-101 • W • 3/11 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-401-102 • SA • 4/11 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-402-103 • W • 5/6 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

HEALTH CARE

Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care Seminar **NEW \$199**

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: CERTIFIED ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND DEMENTIA CARE TRAINER (CADDCT), NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CERTIFIED DEMENTIA PRACTITIONERS (NCCDP)

Focuses on effective communication, behavior management, and person-centered strategies for individuals with Alzheimer's and dementia. Ideal for health care workers, caregivers, and professionals seeking Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) certification. (8 hours)

WFD-342-100 • F • 2/20 • 9 am to 5:30 pm

WFD-342-101 • SA • 4/18 • 9 am to 5:30 pm

Basic Life Support (BLS) CPR **\$69**

Earn your American Heart Association certification card!

This class provides the required CPR/AED training for health care professionals and students, including BNAs, dental assistants, EMTs, paramedics, pharmacy technicians, and more. (4 hours)

CED-414-100 • T • 1/6 • 6 to 10 pm

CED-414-101 • SA • 1/10 • 9 am to 1 pm

CED-414-102 • TH • 1/22 • 6 to 10 pm

CED-414-103 • SA • 2/7 • 9 am to 1 pm

CED-414-104 • TH • 2/26 • 6 to 10 pm

CED-414-105 • SA • 3/14 • 9 am to 1 pm

CED-414-106 • T • 3/24 • 6 to 10 pm

CED-414-107 • W • 4/15 • 6 to 10 pm

CED-414-108 • SA • 4/25 • 9 am to 1 pm

CED-414-109 • SA • 5/2 • 9 am to 1 pm

CED-414-110 • W • 5/20 • 6 to 10 pm

Basic Anatomy and Pathophysiology for Health Care Professionals **NEW \$349**

Explore the structure and function of the human body while learning how diseases impact normal physiology. This foundational course connects anatomy and pathophysiology to clinical practice and is a prerequisite for Medical Administrative Assistant WFD-302 and Medical Biller and Coder WFD-304. (30 hours)

WFD-308-100 • TH • 3/19 to 5/28 • 6 to 9 pm

NOT SURE WHERE TO START?

Join Us for a Free Workforce Information Session

Take the next step on your career path. Join us at an information session to explore short-term, non-credit career training; hands-on learning through apprenticeships and internships; and a variety of funding options to help you reach your goals.



To register, scan the code, email workforce@elgin.edu, or call 847-214-6901.

Emergency Response Training **NEW** \$199

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: BLOODBORNE PATHOGENS, BLS CPR, AND FIRST AID, AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION; STOP THE BLEED, AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

Gain the skills to respond quickly and effectively in emergency situations through this hands-on training. This class is ideal for students interested in health care careers. (8 hours)

WFD-341-100 • SA • 2/7 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-341-101 • SA • 5/2 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

EKG Technician **wioa** \$1,499

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: CERTIFIED EKG TECHNICIAN (CET), NATIONAL HEALTHCAREER ASSOCIATION (NHA)

Learn how to conduct tests on patients' pulmonary or cardiovascular systems for diagnostic, therapeutic, or research purposes. Your book, test prep, and first credentialing test are included. Prerequisite: You must be 18 years old to take the credentialing exam. (60 hours)

WFD-301-100 • SA • 2/14 to 5/16 • 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

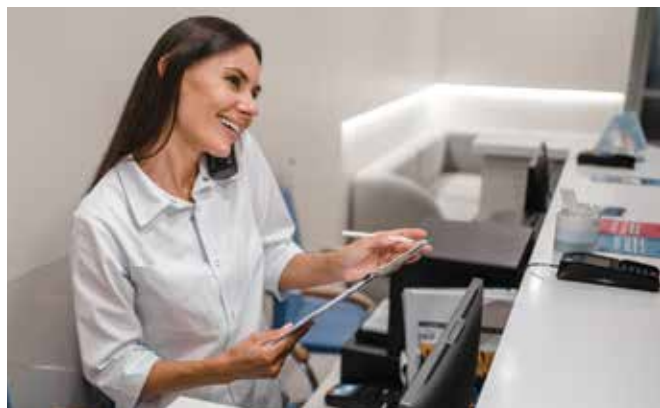
WFD-301-101 • MW • 2/5 to 5/11 • 8:30 to 11:30 am

WFD-301-102 • MW • 3/11 to 5/27 • 6:30 to 9:30 pm

Introduction to Medical Terminology **NEW** \$349

Learn the language of health care by studying medical terms related to anatomy, physiology, diseases, procedures, and treatments. Develop the skills to accurately interpret, pronounce, spell, and use medical terminology in clinical and administrative settings. This class is a prerequisite to Medical Administrative Assistant WFD-302 and Medical Biller and Coder WFD-304. (30 hours)

WFD-303-100 • M • 3/9 to 5/18 • 6 to 9 pm



Medical Administrative Assistant **wioa** \$699

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: CERTIFIED MEDICAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (CMAA), NATIONAL HEALTHCAREER ASSOCIATION (NHA)

Learn to manage health care office operations and enhance the patient experience by handling correspondence, scheduling, electronic records, and other administrative tasks. Your book, test prep, and first credentialing test are included. Students should register for five classes to complete the program and be fully prepared for entry-level employment: Medical Administrative Assistant WFD-302, Introduction to Medical Terminology WFD-303, Microsoft Word WFD-555, Microsoft Excel WFD-550, and Microsoft Outlook WFD-556. (27 hours)

WFD-302-100 • W • 3/11 to 5/20 • 6 to 9 pm



LOVE ANIMALS?

Turn your passion into a career!

Our Veterinary Assistant class is coming soon. Learn to support veterinarians, assist with patient care, and make a real difference in animal health. For details, visit elgin.edu/ce.

Medical Biller and Coder **wioa** \$999

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: CERTIFIED MEDICAL BILLER AND CODER SPECIALIST (CBCS), NATIONAL HEALTHCAREER ASSOCIATION (NHA)

Launch your career as a Certified Billing and Coding Specialist and acquire the skills essential for hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, dental offices, home health care agencies, and more. Learn to code diagnoses and procedures, submit claims, audit billing, and navigate the medical billing cycle while preparing for CPT®, HCPCS Level II, and ICD-10-CM credentialing exams. Your book, test prep, and first credentialing test are included. Prerequisites: Basic Anatomy and Pathophysiology for Healthcare Professionals WFD-308 and Introduction to Medical Terminology WFD-303. (60 hours)

WFD-304-200 • MW • 6/1 to 8/5 • 6 to 9 pm

Pharmacy Technician **wioa** \$999

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: CERTIFIED PHARMACY TECHNICIAN (CPHT), PHARMACY TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION BOARD (PTCB)

Learn how to measure, mix, count out, label, and record amounts and dosages of medications according to prescription orders and prepare for entry-level employment in a retail or hospital pharmacy setting. Your book, test prep, and first credentialing test are included. Prerequisite: You must be 18 years old to take the credentialing exam. (60 hours)

WFD-300-100 • S • 2/14 to 5/16 • 8:30 am to 3 pm

WFD-300-101 • TTH • 3/3 to 5/14 • 6 to 9 pm

WFD-300-102 • MW • 4/8 to 6/17 • 9 am to 12 pm

MANUFACTURING

Basic Blueprint Reading \$199

Explore the skills for reading and interpreting blueprints used in industrial maintenance settings. You will gain a fundamental understanding of how to navigate mechanical, electrical, and hydraulic schematics to help you troubleshoot, repair, and maintain complex machinery and systems. Ideal for industrial maintenance technicians or those entering manufacturing careers. (8 hours)

WFD-408-100 • F • 3/20 to 3/27 • 8 am to 12 pm

WFD-408-101 • F • 5/1 to 5/8 • 8 am to 12 pm

SMALL BUSINESS

Connect and Convert \$199

Grow your audience and boost your business with this social media series for entrepreneurs and small business owners. You'll learn practical steps that you can apply immediately on platforms like Instagram, TikTok, Facebook, and LinkedIn to build connections and turn engagement into results. (9 hours)

WFD-612-100 • T • 3/10 to 3/24 • 6 to 9 pm

WFD-612-101 • TH • 4/30 to 5/21 • 6 to 9 pm

REAL ESTATE

Real Estate Broker Pre-License Topics \$799

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: ILLINOIS REAL ESTATE BROKER LICENSE, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION

Develop foundational knowledge of real estate principles, law, and practice as required for Illinois broker licensure. This course explores property ownership, contracts, financing, agency relationships, and Illinois license law to prepare you for success in the industry. Your book is included. Additional costs may apply for licensing. This class is a prerequisite to Real Estate Broker Pre-License Applied Real Estate Principles WFD-609. Prerequisites: You must be 18 years old and have a high school diploma or GED. (60 hours)

WFD-608-100 • MW • 3/16 to 6/1 • 9 am to 12 pm

WFD-608-101 • MTH • 4/9 to 6/18 • 6 to 9 pm

Real Estate Broker Pre-License Applied Real Estate Principles \$159

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: ILLINOIS REAL ESTATE BROKER LICENSE, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION

Apply real-world scenarios and interactive exercises to strengthen your understanding of core real estate concepts. Through practical application and discussion, you'll build the confidence and skills needed to handle client transactions and meet Illinois licensing standards. Your book is included. Additional costs may apply for licensing. Prerequisites: You must be 18 years old and have a high school diploma or GED and you must take Real Estate Broker Pre-License Topics WFD-608. (15 hours)

WFD-609-200 • MW • 6/3 to 6/17 • 9 am to 12 pm

WFD-609-201 • MTH • 6/22 to 7/6 • 6 to 9 pm

SAFETY IN THE WORKPLACE

Defuse, Don't Argue: The Art of De-Escalation \$199

Explore practical communication and conflict management techniques to safely defuse tense situations. Through interactive role-playing, build confidence in recognizing triggers, maintaining control, and promoting positive outcomes. (8 hours)

WFD-611-100 • T • 3/17 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-611-101 • T • 5/19 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

OSHA 10-Hour General Industry \$249

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: 10-HOUR OSHA FOR GENERAL INDUSTRY CARD, OSHA

Recognize and avoid common workplace safety hazards and health risks. This course is appropriate for entry-level workers in manufacturing and general industry. Las clases de OSHA también están disponibles en español. Consulte la página 18 para más detalles. (10 hours)

WFD-405-100 • TH • 3/5 to 3/12 • 8 am to 2:30 pm

WFD-405-101 • F • 4/24 to 5/1 • 8 am to 2:30 pm

OSHA 10-Hour Construction \$249

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: 10-HOUR OSHA FOR CONSTRUCTION CARD, OSHA

Recognize and avoid common workplace safety hazards and health risks. This course is appropriate for entry-level workers in construction. Las clases de OSHA también están disponibles en español. Consulte la página 18 para más detalles. (10 hours)

WFD-410-100 • F • 3/20 to 3/27 • 8 am to 2:30 pm

WFD-410-101 • TH • 5/7 to 5/14 • 8 am to 2:30 pm

SOFTWARE TRAINING

Intuit® Quickbooks® \$159

Develop skills in QuickBooks® to handle both basic and intermediate accounting tasks, including managing income and expenses, sales transactions, banking, payroll, and reports. Build practical skills to set up company files, track customers and vendors, process payments, generate and customize reports, and manage employees and year-end procedures for businesses and non-profits. (12 hours)

WFD-574-100 • W • 4/15 to 5/6 • 6 to 9 pm

Microsoft Excel, Level 1 \$139

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST, MICROSOFT

Learn the fundamentals of Excel, including entering and editing data, creating formulas and functions, and applying formatting to organize and present information effectively. Build essential skills in managing worksheets, creating charts, printing and sharing workbooks, and using templates to streamline your workflow. (7.5 hours)

WFD-550-100 • F • 2/27 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-550-101 • TTH • 4/21 to 4/23 • 6 to 9:45 pm

WFD-550-200 • TTH • 6/9 to 6/11 • 6 to 9:45 pm

Microsoft Excel, Level 2 \$139

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST, MICROSOFT

Expand your Excel skills by managing workbooks, organizing data with tables and named ranges, and summarizing information through subtotals, consolidation, and PivotTables. Strengthen your proficiency with formatting, charts, graphics, and collaboration tools like permissions and shared workbooks. (7.5 hours)

WFD-551-100 • F • 3/6 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-551-101 • TTH • 4/28 to 4/30 • 6 to 9:45 pm

Microsoft Excel, Level 3 \$139

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST, MICROSOFT

Master advanced Excel skills to solve complex, real-world problems using logical, lookup, and array functions, along with auditing and error-handling tools. Learn to analyze data, perform what-if analysis, automate tasks with macros and forms, and optimize workbooks for accessibility and international use. (7.5 hours)

WFD-552-100 • F • 3/13 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-552-101 • TTH • 4/21 to 4/23 • 6 to 9:45 pm

WFD-552-102 • TTH • 5/5 • 5/7 • 6 to 9:45 pm

Microsoft PowerPoint, Level 1 \$139

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST, MICROSOFT

Learn the fundamentals of PowerPoint, including creating and navigating presentations, formatting slides and text, and customizing layouts with slide masters. Build practical skills in working with shapes, images, charts, and tables, adding transitions, and preparing presentations for printing and sharing. (7.5 hours)

WFD-565-100 • F • 4/10 • 8 am to 4:40 pm

WFD-565-101 • F • 5/12 to 5/14 • 6 to 9:15 pm

Microsoft PowerPoint, Level 2 \$139

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST, MICROSOFT

Enhance your PowerPoint skills by applying advanced formatting with SmartArt, 3D models, and additional design options, while animating slide content and incorporating media. Learn to review and track changes, save presentations in multiple formats, create custom slide shows, and collaborate securely through sharing and protection features. (7.5 hours)

WFD-566-100 • F • 4/24 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-566-101 • TTH • 5/19 to 5/21 • 6 to 9:45 pm

Microsoft Word, Level 1 \$139

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST, MICROSOFT

Learn the fundamentals of Microsoft Word, including creating and navigating documents, formatting text and paragraphs, and setting up pages with headers, footers, and templates. Build practical skills in adding graphics and tables to enhance document presentation and usability. (7.5 hours)

WFD-555-100 • F • 2/13 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-555-101 • TTH • 3/24 to 3/26 • 6 to 9:45 pm

WFD-555-200 • TTH • 5/26 to 5/28 • 6 to 9:45 pm



Microsoft Word, Level 2 \$139

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST, MICROSOFT

Build on your Word skills by creating and formatting shapes, WordArt, and SmartArt, applying custom themes and styles, and managing sections and page layouts. Learn to work with references, hyperlinks, master documents, and collaboration tools for saving, sharing, and protecting documents. (7.5 hours)

WFD-556-100 • F • 2/20 • 8 am to 4:30 pm

WFD-556-101 • TTH • 4/7 to 4/9 • 6 to 9:45 pm

Microsoft Outlook \$139

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST, MICROSOFT

Learn skills to manage email, contacts, calendars, and tasks efficiently using Outlook. Strengthen your ability to organize, communicate, schedule meetings, and streamline daily workflow in a professional setting. (7.5 hours)

WFD-560-200 • TTH • 6/2 to 6/14 • 6 to 9:45 pm

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Project Management Certification Exam Prep Series \$1,399

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: CERTIFIED ASSOCIATE IN PROJECT MANAGEMENT (CAPM) OR PROJECT MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONAL (PMP), PROJECT MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE

Develop essential project management skills by exploring core principles such as planning, scheduling, budgeting, and risk management, while preparing for industry-recognized credentialing. Learn to lead projects efficiently from initiation to completion using practical tools and real-world strategies. (35 hours)

CEB-963-100 • T • 2/10 to 3/10 • 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

TECHNOLOGY

CompTIA A+ Exam Prep, Core 1: Hardware

\$1,299

PREPARES STUDENTS FOR: COMPTIA A+ CERTIFICATION, COMPTIA

Learn to install, configure, and troubleshoot computer hardware, including desktops, laptops, and peripherals. Gain hands-on experience with components, system upgrades, and basic networking essentials to build a strong foundation in IT hardware support. Your book, test prep, and exam vouchers are included. For certification, Core 1 and Core 2 must be completed. Credentialing exams are scheduled by the student. (30 hours)

WFD-501-100 • THF • 3/5 to 4/10 • 6 to 9 pm

CompTIA A+ Exam Prep, Core 2: Software

\$1,299

Learn to install, configure, and troubleshoot operating systems and software applications. Gain essential techniques for system maintenance, software updates, and problem resolution to support end-users effectively. Your book, test prep, and exam vouchers are included. For certification, Core 1 and Core 2 must be completed. Credentialing exams are scheduled by the student. (30 hours)

WFD-502-100 • THF • 4/16 to 5/15 • 6 to 9 pm

Launch Your Career in Transportation and Logistics

Explore a career in the fast-growing transportation and logistics industry while learning the essential skills to get started. This entry-level training overviews supply chain basics, freight operations, inventory management, and safety procedures giving you the foundation to succeed in careers from shipping and warehousing to fleet management. Dates to be announced soon. For more information, visit elgin.edu/cecourses.



BE AN EDUCATION HERO

Advance Your Teaching Career

Aspiring Teachers

- Our K-12 Education pathway is for you!
- Take your first step to becoming a certified teacher.

Already a Teacher?

Build your skills. We have courses to support your professional development.

- **Men of Color in Education Course**
Offers culturally appropriate, sustaining, and relevant approaches to support learning for boys and men of color.
- **English as Second Language Endorsement Certificate (18 credit hours)**
Supports effective instruction for multilingual learners.
- **Bilingual Endorsement Certificate (18 credit hours)**
Supports effective instruction of English learners.

Get started today!
elgin.edu/education



STRUCTURED SUPPORT FOR CHALLENGING PROGRAMS

The Integrated Career and Academic Preparation System (ICAPS) is a program proven to support your success while pursuing a basic vocational certificate in one of the following programs:

BASIC NURSE ASSISTANT
COMPUTER NUMERICAL
CONTROL OPERATOR
DENTAL OFFICE AIDE

EMERGENCY MEDICAL
TECHNICIAN-BASIC
HEATING, VENTILATION,
AIR CONDITIONING, AND
REFRIGERATION

INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE
STERILE PROCESSING
AND DISTRIBUTION
WELDING

How do students benefit from this guided program?

- A clear pathway of courses leading to a basic vocational certificate in one year or less.
- Free loaner textbooks to reduce your educational expenses.
- Free academic support and resources to guide you to success.
- A dedicated student support specialist who provides resume assistance and interview training.
- Taking classes with the same group of peers throughout the program for built-in support.

Who can become a student in this program?

- Anyone looking to complete a vocational certificate quickly to earn a family-sustaining wage.
- Anyone pursuing a certificate in one of our supported areas of study.



To learn more, contact our staff at icaps@elgin.edu or visit elgin.edu/icaps.



FREE TRAINING FOR IN-DEMAND CAREERS

Financial Support for Your Future

ECC can help connect you with grant programs that will pay for the training of qualifying people in more than 75 programs, including:

- Automotive
- Business
- Firefighter/EMT
- Health Care
- Information Technology
- Manufacturing
- Truck Driving

A complete list of programs can be found at elgin.edu/wioa.



Program benefits may include:

PERSONALIZED CAREER COACHING.

Get one-on-one guidance tailored to your goals.

TRANSPORTATION AND TUITION ASSISTANCE.

Remove financial barriers to your success.

FREE CAREER TRAINING AND SUPPORT.

Complete programs without student debt.

Who is eligible?

WIOA is designed to help people with significant barriers to employment or training for high-quality jobs. Contact us today to see if you qualify at wioa@elgin.edu.



Attend an information session to get all of the details:
elgin.edu/workforce



Look for WIOA-approved classes throughout this guide.

Training is made possible through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).



Free Exploratory Classes for High School Students!

EXPLORE CAREERS IN THE TRADES

If you're in high school, this spring at Elgin Community College, you can do all of the following in our free Taking Back the Trades program:

- Complete a paid internship.
- Participate in a pre-apprenticeship program (see page 12 for details).
- Earn industry-recognized credentials.



"Classroom settings have been challenging for my son. He loved the free Taking Back the Trades classes — all of his teachers, the classroom activities, everything about the experience. It's just what he needed to give him hope for a brighter future and to prove to himself that he is capable of being successful in an educational setting."

— PARENT OF A TAKING BACK THE TRADES STUDENT

CLASSES AND TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Manufacturing/Industry
- Health Care
- Culinary
- Construction
- Fire Science

Interested in free career exploration? Connect with us at elgin.edu/trades.

SEVEN DAYS TO A NEW CAREER

Ready to break into a high-demand career but don't know where to start? Our free, intensive **Pre-Apprenticeship Program** gets you job-ready in under a week with hands-on training, industry credentials, and direct connections to local employers who are hiring NOW.

Your Pre-Apprenticeship includes:

- Industry-specific training in high-demand fields like health care and manufacturing.
- Professional certifications that employers recognize and value.
- A resume workshop to showcase your new skills effectively.
- Interview preparation to help you land the job.
- Direct access to employers through on-site interviews with local companies.
- Ongoing support with career coaching that continues after program completion.
- Clear next steps and pathways to U.S. Department of Labor Registered Apprenticeships and additional certifications.

Three pathways with more on the way!

HEALTH CARE

Learn medical terminology, workplace communication, and safety protocols. Earn CPR, first aid, and bloodborne pathogens certifications that open doors to entry-level health care positions.



MANUFACTURING

Explore workplace safety, equipment operation, and industry communication. Earn OSHA-10 and forklift operator certifications that are essential for manufacturing careers.



FIREFIGHTING

Learn everyday tasks like donning protective gear, ladder skills, and hose operations while earning CPR, First Aid, and Stop the Bleed certifications.



Ready to Take the Next Step?

Spots are limited and fill quickly for this free program. Don't wait — your new career is just one week away.

Learn more at elgin.edu/preapprentice.

Strategic Partnerships and Experiential Learning

847-214-7454
spel@elgin.edu

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

Get a head start in your career with hands-on experience through internships and apprenticeships at ECC.

Internship vs. Apprenticeship: What's the difference?

Both internships and apprenticeships offer on-the-job experience while completing your degree or certificate, but there are some important differences.

INTERNSHIPS

- Internships can be paid or unpaid, or to earn college credit.
- Chance to explore various careers.
- Short-term commitment with flexible scheduling.



APPRENTICESHIPS

- Paid job, plus employer pays for your classes.
- Earn industry-recognized credentials specific to your program of study.
- Long-term commitment with a regular work schedule.



Ready to learn more?

Attend an information session to learn about these opportunities.

Sign up at elgin.edu/spel or scan the QR code.

FREE INTERVIEW SKILLS WORKSHOP

Master the art of interviewing with hands-on practice and expert feedback.

- How to research companies and prepare talking points.
- Strategies for answering behavioral and situational questions.
- Professional presentation and body language.
- Mock interview practice with personalized feedback.

**90 mins
FREE TO ATTEND
See the full schedule
and register:
elgin.edu/resume**



FREE RESUME WRITING WORKSHOP

Transform your work history into a powerful marketing tool with our free workshop.

- Modern resume formatting and design.
- How to showcase transferable skills.
- Keywords that get past applicant tracking systems.
- Tailoring your resume for specific jobs.

**90 mins
FREE TO ATTEND
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Elgin
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POWERING THE REGION'S



With manufacturing leading local job growth and ECC's new Manufacturing and Technology Center opening in 2026, now is the time to explore the careers this vibrant industry offers.

WHY A CAREER IN MANUFACTURING?

#1

**INDUSTRY IN THE REGION,
AND GROWING**

Manufacturing leads all workforce area industries in total employment.

37,500

JOBS IN MANUFACTURING

More than any other industry across our regional workforce area.

85% more manufacturing jobs than the national average.

\$77,189

AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE

20% higher than the region's overall average.

Source: ECC Regional Workforce Analysis, Chmura JobsEQ Q4 2024 dataset





MANUFACTURING FUTURE



Pathways to a Manufacturing Career

ECC's Workforce Development programs connect people and employers through practical, affordable training that strengthens our community. Whether you're entering the workforce, changing jobs, or helping your employees improve their skills, ECC's hands-on programs are designed to meet community needs, often at little to no cost.

Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Qualifying students can receive free career training in high-demand industries, plus funding for tuition, books, uniforms, and transportation. WIOA helps adults and youth prepare for careers that lead to long-term stability. elgin.edu/wioa

Integrated Career & Academic Preparation System (ICAPS)

Earn a college certificate in one year or less while improving reading, math, or English skills. With smaller class sizes and a support coach, ICAPS helps adult learners and English language learners move quickly into good-paying jobs. elgin.edu/icaps

Taking Back the Trades

Designed for students ages 16 to 18, this program introduces young adults to in-demand trades like welding, manufacturing, and HVAC. It's hands-on and shows how the trades are a smart choice. elgin.edu/trades

Kids' College

Courses in robotics, 3D printing, and engineering help kids discover how things are made, giving K-12 students hands-on introduction to manufacturing and technology. elgin.edu/kidscollege

Internships and Apprenticeships

ECC partners with local employers to offer internships and registered apprenticeships that blend classroom learning with on-the-job training. Students gain real-world experience and graduate ready to work, and often already employed. elgin.edu/spel

Workforce Grants

ECC helps employers upskill their current workforce. Through state-funded noncredit grants, companies can train employees in leadership, safety, manufacturing, technology, and more, customized to fit business needs. Contact us at workforce@elgin.edu for more information.

"It's so important to get young people interested in manufacturing and trained properly. ECC teaches on the same type of machines we use. That means when students graduate, they can step right into a shop like ours and be productive."

— Tim Kolb
President, Jeniko Machine Works, Inc.

Hands-On Learning, Real-World Results

When Henry Piehl, a machinist at Haumiller Engineering in South Elgin, first started in shipping and receiving, he didn't expect that curiosity about the machines humming nearby would launch a new career.

"I was always fascinated with the machining department and wanted to know if I could shadow some people there," he said. Piehl's supervisor shared information about how an apprenticeship could help pay for schooling at Elgin Community College (ECC).

Today, Piehl is responsible for CNC programming, setup, and operation. He's also enrolled in ECC's manufacturing apprenticeship program, taking courses in CAD design, technical math, and CNC programming.

"The instructors are good — they're really there to help," Piehl said. "What I learn at ECC translates directly to what I'm doing at work," he said. "You put it into practice every day, and it sticks."

"Haumiller is a great company," Piehl added. "I love what I do, the parts I get to make, the free education, and learning something I never thought I would do. It's just been awesome for my whole career."

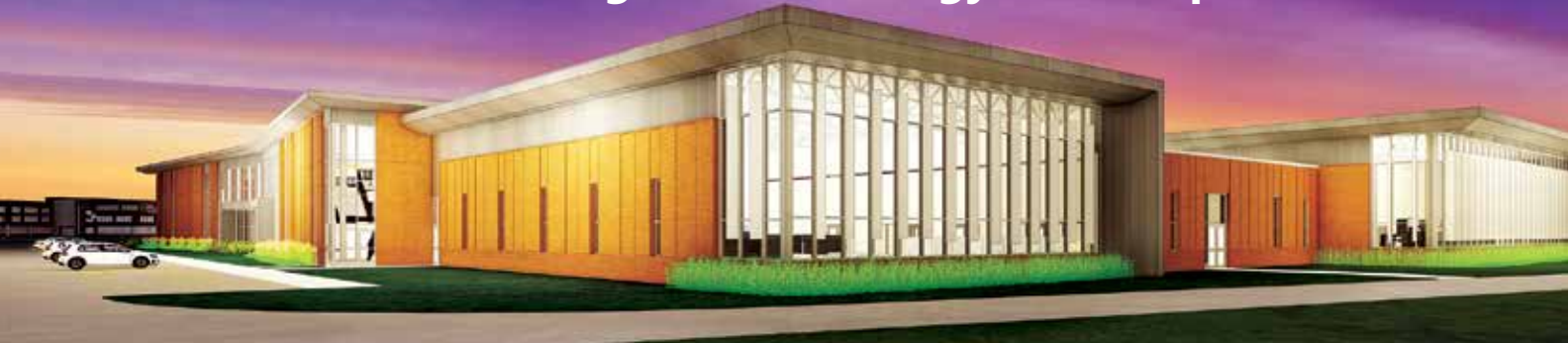
Piehl looks forward to continuing his classes at ECC's new Manufacturing Technology Center, opening next fall. "It's exciting," he said. "New machines, new technology. It's a great step forward."

"What I learn at ECC translates directly to what I'm doing at work."

— Henry Piehl, ECC student



ECC's new Manufacturing and Technology Center opens in 2026.



Seven Days to Career Success

Award-Winning Pre-Apprenticeship Program is Your On-Ramp

At Elgin Community College, you can get a fast start down a career path with the Pre-Apprenticeship Program called "Seven Days to Career Success."

In just one week, you'll explore a career in culinary, manufacturing, health care, or fire/EMT. You earn industry-recognized credentials like OSHA 10, forklift driver certification, CPR, and more. Polish your resume and interview skills, and meet employers ready to hire.



"Apprenticeships are a win-win. Students gain real-world skills, and we get the opportunity to train future employees the right way, from day one."

— David Butts - HR Generalist-Recruiter, Haumiller Engineering

ECC's Workforce Development Division recently received the 2025 Illinois Council for Continuing Education Innovation Award for the program's creative approach to connecting employers and students through hands-on learning.

It's free (grant-funded), open to people who may be unemployed or under-employed, and designed to help you say: "I feel prepared. I feel ready. I feel confident in my abilities." Want to get into a full apprenticeship, a job, or an ECC credential program? This program is your on-ramp.

Visit elgin.edu/preapprentice to learn more.



elgin.edu/mtc



Capacitación Profesional y Desarrollo de Carrera

Inicia una nueva carrera con capacitación a corto plazo o mejora tus habilidades a través de clases de desarrollo profesional en ECC.

Operador de Montacargas Tipo Sentado \$199

CONDUCE A: CERTIFICACIÓN DE OPERADOR DE MONTACARGAS, CONFORME A LAS NORMAS DE OSHA

Aprende a operar una carretilla elevadora de tipo sentado de manera segura y con confianza mientras completas la capacitación y la evaluación de desempeño requeridas por OSHA. Requisito previos: Debe tener 18 años de edad. (8 horas)

WFD-406-100 • S • 2/28 • 8 am a 4:30 pm

WFD-406-101 • W • 3/25 • 8 am a 4:30 pm

WFD-406-102 • S • 4/18 • 8 am a 4:30 pm

WFD-406-103 • W • 5/20 • 8 am a 4:30 pm

Operador de Montacargas de Pie \$199

CONDUCE A: CERTIFICACIÓN DE OPERADOR DE MONTACARGAS, CONFORME A LAS NORMAS DE OSHA

Aprende a operar una carretilla elevadora industrial de tipo "stand-up" de manera segura y con confianza mientras completas la capacitación y evaluación de desempeño requeridas por OSHA. Requisito previos: Debe tener 18 años de edad. (8 horas)

WFD-407-100 • M • 2/18 • 8 am a 4:30 pm

WFD-407-101 • S • 3/14 • 8 am a 4:30 pm

WFD-407-102 • M • 4/8 • 8 am a 4:30 pm

WFD-407-103 • S • 5/9 • 8 am a 4:30 pm

OSHA 10-Hora Industria General \$249

CONDUCE A: TARJETA DE 10 HORAS PARA LA INDUSTRIA GENERAL, OSHA

Reconocer y evitar los peligros comunes para la seguridad y la salud en el lugar de trabajo. Este curso es excelente para trabajadores principiantes en fabricación y da como resultado una certificación de OSHA. (10 horas)

WFD-404-100 • J • 2/19 to 2/26 • 8 am a 2:30 pm

WFD-404-101 • V • 5/8 a 5/15 • 8 am a 2:30 pm

OSHA 10 Horas Construcción \$249

CONDUCE A: TARJETA DE 10 HORAS PARA CONSTRUCCIÓN, OSHA

Reconoce y evita los peligros y riesgos de salud más comunes en el lugar de trabajo. Este curso es apropiado para trabajadores principiantes en el sector de la construcción. (10 horas)

WFD-409-100 • V • 3/6 a 3/13 • 8 am a 2:30 pm

WFD-409-101 • J • 4/23 a 4/30 • 8 am a 2:30 pm

Gerente de Alimentos \$199

CONDUCE A: GERENTE DE PROTECCIÓN DE ALIMENTOS CERTIFICADO POR ANSI (CFPM), SERVSAFE

Aprenda un enfoque práctico sobre la seguridad alimentaria basado en los criterios establecidos por el Departamento de Salud Pública de Illinois (IDPH). Tu libro y primer examen están incluidos. (10 horas)

WFD-602-100 • L • 2/9 • 8:30 am a 6 pm

WFD-602-101 • J • 3/12 • 8:30 am a 6 pm

WFD-602-102 • L • 4/13 • 8:30 am a 6 pm

SERIE DE BIENESTAR FINANCIERO

Aprende a desenvolverte en el mundo de las finanzas personales. Cada seminario de una hora te guía a través de los desafíos del bienestar financiero y te proporciona las habilidades necesarias para alcanzar el éxito.

Finanzas Basicas \$5

¿Porque es importante tener cuentas bancarias, cual es la diferencia de un banco y una cooperativa de ahorros y cuales productos son los más adecuados para usted? Aprenda sus opciones y mucho más.

CED-271-100 • X • 2/18 • 6:30 a 7:30 pm

Como Crear un Presupuesto Basico \$5

En esta economía es necesario revisar sus gastos y entender sus ingresos. Todos debemos tener un presupuesto, aprenda a crear el suyo en 5 pasos básicos.

CED-546-100 • X • 2/25 • 6:30 a 7:30 pm

Manejando su Deuda \$5

Aprenda que deuda le afecta su reporte crediticio, como rastrear sus viles y recursos pare crear su plan y deducir o eliminar su deuda.

CED-548-100 • X • 3/4 • 6:30 a 7:30 pm

Entendiendo su Credito \$5

¿Qué es el reporte y puntaje crediticio, que incluye y como le afecta? Cual es la mejor manera de establecer y mantener su crédito aprenda y obtenga recursos aquí.

CED-550-100 • X • 3/11 • 6:30 a 7:30 pm

Robo de Identidad \$5

¿Qué es el robo de identidad, como sucede y como se puede proteger?

CED-552-100 • X • 3/18 • 6:30 a 7:30 pm

Como Comprar un Auto \$5

La compra de un carro puede ser un poco complicada, aprenda como hacer su investigación y determinar que es lo mejor para usted.

CED-554-100 • X • 3/25 • 6:30 a 7:30 pm

Como Comprar una Casa \$5

Del principio al final hay varios pasos y profesionales necesarios para la compra de una casa aprenda cuales son y que es necesario para asegurar cuando es el tiempo adecuado para usted.

CED-556-100 • X • 4/8 • 6:30 a 7:30 pm

ADULTS AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS

ECC supports your journey toward success.

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA AND GED PREPARATION

Our free prep courses help you gain the skills and confidence needed to pass state exams and earn your high school diploma.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

Experienced instructors work with each student to improve speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills essential for academic and career success.

INGLÉS COMO SEGUNDO IDIOMA

Instructores experimentados trabajan con cada estudiante para mejorar las habilidades de habla, escucha, lectura y escritura esenciales para el éxito académico y profesional.

CAREER EXPLORATION

Explore new career paths in health care, education, manufacturing, and business through our free bridge programs designed to help you discover your next opportunity.

FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING

We understand you're balancing work and family. Our programs offer flexible schedules that fit your lifestyle.

TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

Free Chromebook rentals, Wi-Fi hotspots, and other resources ensure you have the tools for success.



Choose Your Program

- Basic Citizenship Skills
- English as a Second Language (ESL)
- State of Illinois High School Diploma Test Prep (HSE/GED)
- Integrated Career and Academic Preparation System (ICAPS)
- Transitions Bridge Classes

Come talk to us in Building K, Room K100, call us at **847-214-6904**, email us at **abecregistration@elgin.edu**, or visit us online at **elgin.edu/adulteducation**.

HOURS:

Monday through Thursday: 8 am to 7 pm

Friday: 8 am to 4 pm

Personal Interest

This new year, learn a new hobby or skill.

ECC has personal interest classes for all ages. Whether you're learning a new skill, helping your child explore their world, or just expanding your horizons, we have a class for you. We're adding classes weekly, so be sure to check out the full catalog at elgin.edu/cecourses.

ART AND CREATIVITY

Acting Essentials: Scene, Character, and Confidence **NEW**

\$55

Explore the art of acting in a supportive and hands-on environment! This class helps adults develop essential skills such as character development, scene work, emotional expression, and improvisation. Through exercises, partner work, and short scenes, participants build confidence, creativity, and stage presence. No prior acting experience is required — just bring your curiosity and willingness to try new things.

PIC-024-100 • TH • 5/7 to 5/28 • 6 to 7:15 pm

Basic Lighting for Photography **NEW**

\$29

Learn how to transform your photos with the power of light. This beginner-friendly workshop introduces the essentials of natural and artificial lighting, including how to shape, position, and control light for different moods and effects. Through hands-on practice, you'll gain the skills to enhance portraits, still life, and everyday photography with confidence.

PIC-021-100 • SA • 5/9 • 12 to 2 pm

Introduction to Digital Photography **NEW**

\$35

Discover the art of capturing great photos in this hands-on beginner workshop. Learn the basics of camera settings, composition, and lighting while exploring creative techniques to bring your images to life. Whether you're using a DSLR, mirrorless, or smartphone, this class will help you build confidence behind the lens and develop your own photographic style.

PIC-020-100 • SA • 2/28 • 12 to 3 pm

Hooked on Crochet

\$75

This is a fun, hands-on class for beginners to learn the basics of crochet and become confident in their crochet journey.

CED-558-100 • TH • 2/19 to 3/26 • 6 to 7 pm

Woven Wonders: Intermediate Crochet

\$75

Ready to take your crochet skills to the next level? In this intermediate class, you'll explore a variety of new patterns while learning how to confidently read, interpret, and follow written and charted instructions. We'll expand your stitch repertoire and help you bring more complex projects to life with ease and creativity.

PIC-012-100 • TH • 4/9 to 5/14 • 6 to 7 pm

COMING THIS SPRING

A Master Gardener Series

A Master Gardener from the University of Illinois Extension will share tips and insights for helping you grow a vibrant garden.

For more information, visit elgin.edu/ce.



Illinois Extension

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Colorful Canvas

\$39

Spend an evening painting! Local artist, Julie Kukreja, will guide you step-by-step to bring your personalized masterpiece to life. Each month features a new, seasonal painting.

CED-467-100 • M • 3/9 • 6:30 to 9:30 pm

CED-467-101 • M • 4/6 • 6:30 to 9:30 pm

CED-467-102 • M • 5/11 • 6:30 to 9:30 pm

Creative Collage Journals **NEW**

\$55

Explore your artistic side in this hands-on class that blends collage, painting, drawing, and journaling. Using a mix of papers, textures, and personal materials, you'll create expressive journal pages that tell your story. Participants should bring a blank journal to class. Creative materials will be provided, and participants are encouraged to bring their own additional materials from home. Perfect for beginners and experienced creatives alike, this class encourages experimentation, reflection, and playful creativity.

PIC-033-100 • M • 2/23 to 3/16 • 6 to 7:30 pm

PIC-033-101 • T • 4/7 to 4/28 • 6 to 7:30 pm

Floral Containers \$49

In this hands-on course, students will delve into the artistry and technique of crafting stunning floral containers. After selecting the perfect blooms and mastering the principles of design, participants will create their own captivating container to bring home.

PIC-008-100 • F • 4/24 • 6 to 8 pm

Mindful Art and Meditation \$55

This course blends meditation with creative expression through art. Participants will explore simple meditation and mindfulness practices, followed by guided art activities such as mandala drawing, mindful coloring, and intuitive painting. The focus is on self-expression, stress relief, and inner calm. No art skills are required.

PIC-029-100 • M • 4/13 to 5/18 • 6 to 7:30 pm

Seasonal Wreath Workshop \$75

Design and craft your own beautiful wreath in this fun, hands-on class. Learn simple techniques for arranging greenery, flowers, and decorative accents to create a one-of-a-kind piece perfect for your home or as a thoughtful gift. No experience is needed and all materials provided.

PIC-023-100 • F • 2/6 • 6 to 8 pm

PIC-023-101 • F • 3/6 • 6 to 8 pm

COOKING

That's Amore: Create a Romantic, Italian Dinner \$69

Love is in the air! Learn how to cook a complete, five-course Italian meal.

CEA-152-100 • W • 2/11 • 6 to 9 pm

Risotto Perfetto! \$69

Learn how to make classic Northern Italian risotto dishes.

PIC-030-100 • W • 3/11 • 6 to 9 pm

For the Love of Pizza \$69

Learn to make pizza dough, pizza alla Napoli, Roman-style pizza, and focaccia!

CED-594-100 • W • 4/8 • 6 to 9 pm

Cacio e Pepe and Carbonara \$69

Learn to make two of Italy's most famous pasta dishes.

PIC-025-100 • W • 5/13 • 6 to 9 pm



Cake Decorating \$49

In this fun and interactive class, students will learn how to assemble and decorate their very own six-inch cake from start to finish. We'll cover the basics of stacking cake layers, applying smooth and even frosting, and using a variety of decorating techniques and ingredients to create a beautiful, personalized cake. This class is suitable for beginners.

PIC-010-100 • SA • 2/21 • 2 to 4 pm

PIC-010-101 • SA • 4/11 • 2 to 4 pm

Chocolate Treats \$49

In this deliciously fun chocolate-making class, you'll learn the basics of chocolate tempering, how to make beautifully coated chocolate treats, and how to use molds. We'll wrap up by assembling everything into charming treat boxes — perfect for gifting or enjoying yourself.

PIC-011-100 • T • 2/17 • 6 to 8 pm

PIC-011-101 • T • 3/10 • 6 to 8 pm

Edible Printing \$49

In this hands-on class, you'll learn the fundamentals of creating eye-catching, treat designs using Canva. We'll explore how to use available graphics, import your own images, and create properly-sized templates. As a fun finale, we'll design custom cookie artwork that will be printed using the Eddie Edible Ink Printer — perfect for personalized treats!

PIC-009-100 • SA • 3/14 • 2 to 4 pm

PIC-009-101 • SA • 5/9 • 2 to 4 pm

Cookie Decorating \$39

Learn to decorate cookies like a professional! Ashley Schwartz from Sweet Marie's Bakeshop will guide you step-by-step through creating edible works of art that are as delicious as they are stunning. In this beginner class, we'll cover the basics of sugar cookies, learn how to strategize your decorating, and practice piping. Each month we will focus on a new seasonal theme for a decadent and dazzling set of cookies. You'll leave class with a great understanding of the basics plus a few cool techniques.

CED-998-100 • SA • 2/7 • 3 to 4 pm

CED-998-101 • SA • 3/21 • 3 to 4 pm

CED-998-102 • SA • 5/2 • 3 to 4 pm

Cookie Decorating Extension Class \$39

Craving more? Decorate additional sugar cookies with themed designs. Must take Cookie Decorating CED-998 on the same day.

PIC-016-100 • SA • 2/7 • 4:30 to 5:30 pm

PIC-016-101 • SA • 3/21 • 4:30 to 5:30 pm

PIC-016-102 • SA • 5/2 • 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Desserts Made Easy \$35

In this hands-on, family-friendly class, you'll explore easy, no-bake dessert recipes that are both fun to make and delicious to eat. Learn simple, flexible techniques that allow for plenty of creativity as you craft your own sweet treats. Perfect for beginners or anyone eager to try something new in the kitchen — no oven required!

PIC-026-100 • SA • 2/21 • 12 to 2 pm

PIC-026-101 • SA • 4/18 • 12 to 2 pm

FITNESS

Ballroom and Jazz Fusion **NEW** \$59

Step onto the dance floor and explore the elegance of ballroom dance with a modern twist. This class introduces foundational ballroom styles such as waltz, box step, and mambo, while blending in the rhythm and flair of jazz. No partner or prior experience required — just bring your energy and enthusiasm!

PIC-019-100 • F • 2/20 to 3/20 • 6 to 7 pm

PIC-019-101 • F • 4/17 to 5/15 • 6 to 7 pm

Laughter Yoga **NEW** \$55

This course introduces participants to the practice of laughter yoga — a unique blend of gentle movement, breathing techniques, and intentional laughter exercises. Through guided sessions, students will discover how laughter boosts mood, reduces stress, and activates the body's "happy hormones" for better overall health. No prior yoga experience is required — just a willingness to smile and laugh.

PIC-028-100 • M • 2/23 to 4/6 • 6 to 7 pm



Self-Defense \$99

A wide variety of self-defense skills are practiced in this class, ranging from grappling, striking and kicking attacks, as well as weapons defense. Mental and physical skills and drills will enhance fitness and confidence. This class is for beginner and intermediate participants.

CED-291-100 • M • 2/23 to 4/20 • 5:30 to 6:30 pm



INTERESTED IN LEADING A CLASS?

ECC is looking for qualified, passionate instructors for its career training and personal interest classes. If you're interested in learning more, scan the code and look for Download CE Proposal or visit elgin.edu/cecourses for more information.



HISTORY AND CULTURE

Elgin Transformed: Technology and Growth in the 19th Century \$45

This course series explores the historical and economic development of Elgin, Illinois, from its early pre-industrial days to its rise as a prominent city in the nineteenth century. Through discussions on migration, technological advancements like railroads and mass production, and the city's contributions to watchmaking and dairy production, students will gain a comprehensive understanding of Elgin's transformation.

CED-577-100 • M • 3/2 to 3/16 • 6 to 7:15 pm

Jump-Start Your Genealogy Journey \$29

Curious about your family's past but not sure where to begin? This beginner-friendly class will guide you through the essentials of genealogy research. Learn how to gather and organize family information, explore online databases, interpret historical records, and avoid common research pitfalls. By the end, you'll have the tools and confidence to start building your own family tree and uncovering the stories of your ancestors.

PIC-027-100 • T • 5/12 to 5/26 • 6 to 7 pm

LANGUAGE

Spanish in the Workplace \$99

This introductory course will cover the basics of Spanish for English speakers in the workplace. Learn common words and phrases that will allow staff to communicate with and assist Spanish-speaking clients. This class is for those with little to no background in Spanish language.

CED-570-100 • T • 2/17 to 3/24 • 6 to 8 pm

Spanish in the Health Care Workplace \$99

This course is designed specifically for front desk and administrative professionals working in health care settings. Emphasis is placed on practical, everyday communication that helps create a welcoming and efficient experience for Spanish-speaking patients. This class is for those with little to no background in Spanish language.

PIC-034-100 • M • 4/6 to 5/11 • 6 to 8 pm

American Sign Language Continuation \$99

Participants will expand upon the concepts learned in ASL I and II. This course teaches participants additional signs and helps them to gain confidence in their knowledge of American Sign Language.

CED-326-100 • T • 3/3 to 4/14 • 6:30 to 8:30 pm

PERSONAL FINANCE

Las clases de finanzas personales también están disponibles en español. Consulte la página 18 para más detalles.

Finances 101 \$5

Learn why having a relationship with a financial institution is important, the difference between a bank and a credit union and products and services that are generally offered.

CED-265-100 • W • 2/18 • 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Building a Basic Budget \$5

Review the importance of savings, learn how to create an emergency fund, and develop a five-step budget plan.

CED-273-100 • W • 2/25 • 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Debt Management \$5

Review the different types of debt and how they affect your budget. Learn about credit and tips on how to eliminate debt.

CED-547-100 • W • 3/4 • 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Understanding Credit \$5

Learn what makes up credit, how to best manage it or establish it, and what affects a credit score.

CED-549-100 • W • 3/11 • 5:30 to 6 pm

Identity Theft \$5

Learn what identity theft is, how it happens, and how to best protect yourself.

CED-551-100 • W • 3/18 • 5:30 to 6:30 pm

How To Buy A Car \$5

Buying a car can be daunting. Learn the benefits of buying used or new, how to research your options, and how to make the decision that is right for you.

CED-553-100 • W • 3/25 • 5:30 to 6:30 pm

How To Buy A House \$5

Buying a house can be confusing. Learn about the steps involved in the home buying process, who is involved, and how to determine if it's the right time for you to buy.

CED-555-100 • W • 4/8 • 5:30 to 6:30 pm

Retirement Planning \$5

Learn how to start planning for retirement. It's never too early or too late to start!

CED-557-100 • W • 4/15 • 5:30 to 6:30 pm



TECHNOLOGY

Canva for Everyday Projects \$29

Discover how to use Canva to create beautiful designs for your personal life! From invitations and social media posts to vision boards and photo collages, this beginner-friendly class will show you how to make professional-looking projects with ease. No design experience required.

PIC-035-100 • F • 3/13 to 3/27 • 6 to 7:30 pm

PIC-035-101 • TH • 4/16 to 4/23 • 6 to 7:30 pm

Canva for Business \$39

Learn how to use Canva to create professional graphics that make your business stand out. This hands-on class covers branding, marketing materials, social media content, and more — all using Canva's easy-to-use tools. Perfect for small business owners, entrepreneurs, and anyone looking to boost their brand's visual presence.

PIC-036-100 • F • 2/20 to 2/27 • 6 to 7:30 pm

PIC-036-101 • TH • 5/7 to 5/21 • 6 to 7:30 pm

Getting Started with Arduino \$15

Learn the basics of Arduino, an affordable and versatile platform for creating electronic projects and prototypes. Arduino boards can read inputs from sensors and devices and control outputs like motors, LEDs, and other actuators. You'll explore digital, analog, and sensor interfacing through hands-on projects.

While this is not a programming course, it clearly explains what can be achieved with Arduino. Basic programming knowledge is helpful but not required.

PIC-014-100 • M • 3/16 • 6 to 8 pm

PIC-014-101 • W • 4/22 • 6 to 8 pm

Arduino Wearable LED's \$15

Learn the basics of programming and how to control wearable LEDs using an Arduino microcontroller. These battery-powered LEDs can enhance clothing or create custom lighting and programmable gear. The workshop covers LED programming, Arduino development tools, and includes hands-on exercises to help you program and control LEDs. You'll also receive a copy of programs for multiple LED patterns. Some programming experience would be helpful but is not required.

PIC-013-100 • M • 3/23 • 6 to 8 pm

PIC-013-101 • W • 5/6 • 6 to 8 pm

Getting Started Tinkercad \$15

Discover the world of 3D design and printing in this hands-on Tinkercad workshop! Learn to set up a free Tinkercad account, manage designs, and start your first project. We'll guide you through 3D modeling basics, navigation, and Tinkercad's features as you create your personalized name tag. Once completed, your name tag will be 3D printed and available for pickup. This beginner-friendly class is perfect for anyone with basic computer skills.

PIC-015-100 • M • 4/6 • 6 to 8 pm

PIC-015-101 • W • 5/13 • 6 to 8 pm

THRIVING AFTER 55

American Visions \$99

Robert Hughes' video series, American Visions, offers a sweeping journey through 350 years of American art and culture, revealing how artistic expression has shaped — and been shaped by — our nation's evolving identity. From Native American traditions and colonial Puritanism to the bold innovations of abstract expressionism and beyond, Hughes' insightful commentary, vivid storytelling, and artist profiles bring this history to life. Each class session includes a 60-minute video viewing followed by an engaging group discussion.

PIC-031-100 • W • 3/4 to 5/6 • 10 am to 12 pm

Studio Painting \$99

Bring your favorite paints and creative spirit to this hands-on studio class designed for painters of all levels. Through guided lessons on color theory, composition, and the elements of art, you'll develop your own unique artistic voice while working from images that inspire you. Each session includes individualized instruction and supportive group feedback to help you grow as an artist. Bring your own supplies (watercolors, acrylics, or oils) and be ready to create!

PIC-032-100 • W • 3/11 to 4/22 • 1 to 4 pm

Computer Basics \$9

This class introduces the essential concepts and skills needed to navigate a computer. By the end of the course, participants will be able to confidently manage files, create documents, browse the web, and address common technical issues.

CED-572-100 • SA • 4/25 • 12 to 1 pm

Smartphone Basics \$9

This class introduces basic cell phone use. By the end of the course, participants will be confident in navigating their phone's features and troubleshooting common issues.

CED-571-100 • SA • 3/21 • 12 to 1 pm

SAVE THE DATE

Thriving After 55 Resource Fair Thursday, April 23

Join us to meet new people, discover community resources, and gather practical tools to live a vibrant, active life.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Exhibitors: Explore local businesses and organizations offering products, services, and information focused on the needs and interests of those 55 and older.
- Health Screenings
- Vaccinations: Bring your insurance card if you are interested in these services.

QUESTIONS?

Contact the Continuing Education Department at **847-622-3036** or **cemailbox@elgin.edu**.

How to Write a Memoir \$79

Tell your life story in your own words. This class will consist of reading memoir examples, writing exercises, and peer response.

CED-569-100 • W • 5/6 to 5/27 • 10 am to 12 pm

Frank Stanford: Bard of the Rural South \$69

This four-week course focuses on the brief life and prolific output of the critically acclaimed, yet not widely known, Arkansas poet Frank Stanford. This course uncovers Stanford's haunting and surreal pilgrimage toward death, even as his poems spring with primitive vitality and raw insight into the vagaries of the human heart.

PIC-017-100 • TH • 2/26 to 3/19 • 1 to 3 pm

Poetry and the American Midwest \$69

This four-week course reviews ten critically acclaimed 20th-century poets whose works reflect their Midwestern upbringing and sensibility. We also explore the Midwest's landscapes, values, struggles, and diversity, as reflected in these poems.

PIC-018-100 • F • 4/10 to 5/1 • 1 to 3 pm

Senior Safety \$19

In this class, older adults will learn essential self-defense techniques and develop strategies for personal safety awareness. There will be both lecture and practice components.

CED-565-100 • M • 3/23 • 2 to 3:30 pm

Music Through the Ages, Part I \$79

Travel back to the origins of music in this engaging exploration of humanity's earliest sounds. From ancient rhythms and chants to the development of classical traditions, students will trace how music evolved across cultures and centuries. Through guided listening and discussion, we'll examine instruments, composers, and styles that shaped musical expression from prehistoric times through the Middle Ages and Renaissance. No musical background required. No class 4/3.

CED-955-100 • F • 2/27 to 4/24 • 10 am to 12 pm

WELLNESS

Creating Comfort Amidst Chaos \$35

Today's fast-paced and demanding world often leaves people feeling overwhelmed and disconnected from themselves. In this class, you will learn not only why you should pay attention to your own needs but how! The cost of the class includes a guidebook in which participants will document their clear and individualized plan toward living a more balanced and fulfilling life.

PIC-003-100 • TH • 4/9 • 6 to 7:30 pm

Journal to Self-Discovery \$69

Have you ever purchased a blank journal but then left it blank because you didn't know where to start? This class, taught by a licensed clinical professional counselor, will introduce you to different journal techniques each week, which can help you explore and clarify your thoughts and feelings through writing. No prior writing or journaling experience is required.

PIC-002-100 • TH • 4/16 to 5/7 • 6 to 7:30 pm

Making Meaning Out of Grief and Loss

\$79

This four-session course utilizes poetry and art, ancient to modern, as vehicles to explore how we cope with grief and bereavement in our personal lives and in our world. This course strives for renewal and hopefulness for all, including those struggling with grief, loss, or difficult circumstances. No class 4/3.

CED-581-100 • F • 3/13 to 4/10 • 6 to 7:30 pm

Renewing the Spirit: From Compassion Fatigue To Resilience

\$39

After long periods of selflessly providing care for others in need, cumulative grief and trauma can wear us down. This two-session course touches on themes of compassion fatigue and chronic sorrow while focusing on renewing the spirit and moving toward resiliency, hopefulness, and skillful coping with our difficult circumstances.

CED-583-100 • TH • 5/7 to 5/14 • 6 to 7:30 pm

WRITING

Plot Out Your Writing Life

\$19

Have you always wanted to make creative writing more of a part of your life, but you don't know how to get started? Join local writer Lisa Macaione as she shares expert advice, best practices, and exercises to incorporate the written word into your world.

CED-705-100 • T • 4/21 • 6 to 8 pm

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ART AND CREATIVITY

Egg Painting Craft

\$5

Paint beautiful wooden eggs to celebrate spring. All ages are welcome!

CEA-023-100 • SA • 3/21 • 12 to 1 pm

Acting Fun: Play, Pretend, Perform! NEW

\$35

Introduce your child to the magic of acting! This class encourages creativity, imagination, and self-expression through playful games, story-building, and role-playing. Students learn basic acting skills like character creation, voice, movement, and teamwork in a fun, supportive environment. No prior experience is required.

AGES 6 TO 9

KCC-022-100 • TH • 3/5 to 3/26 • 6 to 6:45 pm

Creative Explorers

\$25

This class introduces young artists to the joy of making art while building confidence in their creativity. Children will explore a variety of mediums including watercolor, crayons, pastels, acrylics, and mixed media through fun, guided projects.

AGES 5 TO 8

KCC-024-100 • SA • 3/7 • 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Polymer Clay

\$55

Learn how to work with polymer clay and make a variety of projects in this four-week course. Learn color mixing, textures, small sculpture forms, and jewelry-making methods.

AGES 5 TO 8

KCC-017-100 • SA • 2/28 to 3/21 • 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

Drama Club

\$75

Step into the spotlight and unleash your inner performer with our drama club! This dynamic and inclusive course invites students of all skill levels to explore the captivating world of theater. Throughout the program, participants will engage in a variety of exciting activities, including improvisation, script reading, character development, and stagecraft. No class 3/30.

AGES 5 TO 8

CEK-194-100 • M • 3/9 to 5/4 • 6 to 6:50 pm

AGES 9 TO 12

CEK-194-101 • M • 3/9 to 5/4 • 7 to 7:50 pm

Improv Adventures: Unleash Your Creativity!

\$45

Step into a world of imagination, laughter, and spontaneous storytelling! This class teaches youth how to think on their feet, collaborate with others, and build confidence through fun improv games and exercises. Each session encourages creativity, teamwork, and self-expression in a supportive and playful environment. No experience is necessary.

AGES 10 TO 14

KCC-023-100 • TH • 4/9 to 4/30 • 6 to 7 pm

Young Artists Studio

\$25

This class is designed for older kids who are ready to deepen their artistic skills and express individuality through more advanced projects. Students will work with different mediums, including watercolor, acrylics, pastels, and sketching to create original works of art.

AGES 10 TO 14

KCC-025-100 • SA • 4/11 • 10:30 am to 12:30 pm



Summer STEAM Adventure Program

From creative arts to hands-on science, robotics, cooking, and more — there's something for every curious mind! With fun and flexible options for ages 5 to 17, families can choose from:

- Short sessions (just a few hours or one day).
- Weeklong specialty camps.
- Exciting new classes and returning favorites!

Registration opens February 23 at 7 am and spots are limited.
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Exploring Sculpture

\$55

Students will learn the basics of creating sculptural forms. Each participant will explore additive and subtractive sculpture methods while using a variety of different materials.

AGES 13 TO 17

KCC-018-100 • SA • 4/11 to 5/2 • 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

TECHNOLOGY AND ENGINEERING

LEGO Creators

\$99

This class invites students into the imaginative world of LEGOs, where they will explore, create, and learn through play. Students will embark on a journey through themed building challenges, storytelling, basic engineering principles, and collaborative projects, all centered around LEGOs. No class 4/3.

AGES 5 TO 9

CEK-242-100 • F • 3/13 to 5/8 • 6 to 6:50 pm



Coding Club: Programming 101

\$99

Build cool games, design characters, generate music, and draw math art. Unlock the power of code! No class 4/1.

AGES 8 TO 10

CEK-256-100 • W • 2/25 to 4/15 • 6 to 6:50 pm

Coding Club: Web Development

\$99

Students will be introduced to web page development using HTML and CSS. Starting from building their very first web page, they progress to work on 14 different hands-on practical do-it-yourself projects, several hands-on programming challenges, and assessment quizzes throughout the course. Finally, students build a photo gallery and their own version of Instagram to complete this course. No class 4/1.

AGES 10 TO 14

KCC-019-100 • W • 2/25 to 4/15 • 7 to 7:50 pm



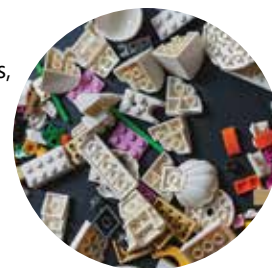
LEGO Builders

\$99

This class invites students to embark on a journey of discovery, creativity, and problem-solving through the world of basic LEGO bricks. Students will explore fundamental principles of design, engineering, and mathematics, all while bringing their imaginative ideas to life. Each session is designed to challenge students in fun and engaging ways and to promote teamwork, critical thinking, and innovation. No class 4/3.

AGES 10 TO 14

CEK-243-100 • F • 3/13 to 5/8 • 7 to 7:50 pm



KICK OFF YOUR SUMMER WITH THE CHICAGO FIRE FC SOCCER CAMP!

Get ready to train, play, and have fun with Chicago Fire FC coaches right here this summer! Whether your child is new to soccer or building their skills, this camp delivers high-energy learning and unforgettable experiences.

Camp Dates: June 22 to 25

Location: Elgin Community College Soccer Field

Registration opens February 23 at elgin.edu/kidscollege.

ALL PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE:

Official camp jersey and a ticket to a summer camp matchday experience at a Chicago Fire FC home game, including:

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Camp Sessions:

TIME	AGES	PRICE
9 am to 12 pm	6 to 11	\$140
12 to 1 pm	4 to 5	\$80
1 to 4 pm	12 to 16	\$140



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Make and Take STEM Workshop ^{NEW} \$39

Get ready to design, build, and explore! In this hands-on STEM workshop, kids will become young engineers and scientists as they create fun projects they can take home. Each section features a different project.

AGES 10 TO 14

KCC-020-100 • SA • 2/21 • 12 to 1 pm

KCC-020-101 • SA • 3/7 • 12 to 1 pm

KCC-020-102 • SA • 4/18 • 12 to 1 pm

KCC-020-103 • SA • 5/16 • 12 to 1 pm

Mars Rover Workshop ^{NEW} \$29

Get ready to explore like a NASA engineer! In this hands-on workshop, participants will test a Mars Rover. Learn about the challenges of space exploration, problem-solving with robotics, and how real rovers navigate the red planet. Perfect for curious minds who love science and adventure.

AGES 5 TO 9

KCC-021-100 • SA • 5/2 • 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

AGES 10 TO 13

KCC-021-101 • SA • 5/2 • 1:30 to 3:30 pm

AGES 14 TO 17

KCC-021-102 • SA • 5/9 • 10:30 am to 12:30 pm



LANGUAGE

Let's Learn Spanish \$99

In this dynamic Spanish course, students will embark on an engaging language-learning journey focused on building fundamental vocabulary and conversational skills. No class 4/2.

AGES 7 TO 10

CEK-239-100 • TH • 2/19 to 4/16 • 5 to 5:50 pm

AGES 11 TO 13

CEK-239-101 • TH • 2/19 to 4/16 • 6 to 6:50 pm

SAFETY

Babysitting Essentials \$165

This engaging babysitting course equips teens with essential knowledge of child growth and development, safety practices, nutrition, and age-appropriate activities. Students will also learn how to handle emergencies with confidence and explore the basics of running a successful babysitting business. Upon completion, participants will earn American Red Cross certification in CPR and First Aid and a certificate of completion for the course.



AGES 12 TO 16

KCC-015-100 • FSA • 5/1 to 5/2 • 9 am to 2:30 pm

Ready, Set, Safe: Fire Smart Kids \$5

In this fun and interactive fire safety class, kids will learn essential skills like "Stop, Drop, and Roll," how to safely call 911 in emergencies, and important kitchen safety rules. We'll discuss why it's dangerous to play with matches, the importance of smoke detectors, and how to "Stay Low and Go" in case of a fire. Children will also learn how to create a home safety and escape plan to keep their families safe. This class is held at the Burlington campus located at 815 E. Plank Road, Burlington, IL 60109.

AGES 5 TO 9

CEK-255-100 • SA • 4/25 • 10:30 am to 12 pm

Self-Defense for Kids \$79

This kids' class practices a wide variety of self-defense skills, including grappling, striking, and kicking attacks. Mental and physical skills and drills will enhance fitness and confidence, allowing students to have great exercise, practice focus, and meet new friends. No class 3/31.

AGES 5 TO 9

CEK-009-100 • T • 2/17 to 4/14 • 5:30 to 6:15 pm

AGES 10 TO 14

CEK-009-101 • T • 2/17 to 4/14 • 6:30 to 7:15 pm

Introduction to Firefighting Free

Learn basic firefighting tactics and strategies at the state-of-the-art ECC Center for Emergency Services in Burlington. Put on firefighting gear, drive a firetruck simulator, learn how fire behaves, search a building for survivors, and learn basic life-saving skills. This class is free, but registration is required.



AGES 12 TO 16

CEK-860-100 • FSA • 5/29 to 5/30 • 9 am to 12 pm

Municipal and First Responder Training

Bring ECC's standard for educational excellence to your dedicated public service team, from first responders to administrative and leadership staff. Advance your employees' skills, get them the continuing education they need to succeed, and better equip your municipality to respond to the needs of your community.



First Responder Professional Development

Offered in partnership with ECC's Center for Emergency Services and Police Departments, these training opportunities meet the requirements of the respective state oversight agencies. Participants get the skills they need to meet all required objectives by combining classroom and hands-on simulations. Training is offered on a variety of topics including, but not limited to, the following:

- Advanced Fire Officer (AdFO)
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- Fire Apparatus Engineer (FAE)
- Public Fire and Life Safety Educator (PFLSE)
- Rope Rescue Operations (RRO)

Emergency Management

Offered in partnership with ECC's award-winning Office of Emergency Management, these programs help ensure your team is equipped and prepared when emergent situations arise. Training is available on the following topics:

- Business continuity
- Emergency operations planning
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- Incident Command Essentials (ICE)
- Public Fire and Life Safety Educator (PFLSE)
- Hazardous Materials Incident Command

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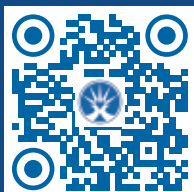
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