

A newsletter for GED students, families and Community.

GED NEWS

April 2023

ABE/GED Classrooms
Salt River Community Bldg
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I WILL ACHIEVE

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL

3 & 17: Salt River Schools Education Board meeting, 5:15PM

6: Education Fair "Exercising Minds, Bodies & Spirits" in the ALA gymnasium (open to all!), 4-7PM

7: Spring Holiday: No School/Salt River Schools Offices (including GED) Closed

14: First Friday Chats with Higher Education, MS Teams, 10AM

27: FAFSA Info Night, GED office, 5:30-7PM

30: Higher Education College & Vocational Application Deadline



Congratulations to our most recent GED grads of the 2022-23SY.
We've had 13 graduate so far!

FEBRUARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH:

DAMIAN CASTRO

The ABE/GED Program is proud to recognize Damian Castro as our recent graduate and February GED Student of the Month. Damian began working on his GED in early February and graduated on February 23! Damian was referred to us by the SRPMIC HR Underfill Program. Damian is a Salt River Fire Department Underfill hire. Damian



would like to add: *I just wanted to thank my family and my wife for helping push me towards my goal. It was always something I thought I couldn't do or wouldn't be able to. Achieving this goal is helping me achieve my dream of being a firefighter, and I'm so thankful for my family and my tribe for helping me accomplish it.*

ABE/GED class instruction continues to be remote, hybrid, and in person by appointment.

We provide digital and print-based instructional service and support. We believe adults can achieve their educational goals through self-paced learning and endure and strive through what hardships they face. Education is in an adult students' control. Education can give hope and affirm an adult learner's tremendous perseverance through today's challenges.

FAFSA NIGHT

SRS Higher Ed Deadline is April 30.
Will accept applications till Monday, May 1.

Visit HE.saltriverschools.org for more information about funding deadlines.

For SRPMIC-enrolled GED graduates and their families.

At the GED Office (Salt River Community Building) : 1880 N. Longmore Rd.

Thursday April 27: 5:30-7:00 PM

Please RSVP for the event by Monday, April 25.



Learn about the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.



Get expert help completing your FAFSA.



Participants will be emailed a list of documents to bring in order to complete the FAFSA.

EMAIL HIGHER ED TO REGISTER!
HigherEd@saltriverschools.org



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Just try new things. Don't be afraid. Step out of your comfort zones and soar, all right? — Michelle Obama



Registration is remote.

To register, email
erica.litz@saltriverschools.org
or call 480-362-2142.

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CURRENT ENROLLMENT: 117

GED/DOC Students Receiving Instructional Services with Yolanda Ruiz

February: 22

Underfill Tribal Employee Testing Progress

4: Underfill tribal employees
ABE/GED students

STUDENT TESTIMONIAL: LUIS BEJARANO

I recently enrolled in ABE/GED classes. I am so determined to achieve this big goal of mine. I feel very blessed every time I step into the GED site. I give 5 stars to the designers, construction, and personnel who were all involved in the design and building of this site and all who were involved. Thanks for thinking of the adult GED students while constructing this awesome space. I am thankful to the teacher, Erica Maria Litz, for being patient and making it easier for me to understand. When I get my GED diploma, I would like to dedicate it to Council, my teacher, and those who helped make this learning place as a thank you. My Community is the best. It can be paradise if you let it.

Official GED Transcript Requests

To get your
transcript from
the Arizona Dept.
of Education,
contact Erica
Maria Litz.



Do you want to pursue college or university and
need English or composition credits?



EARN ENGLISH

COLLEGE CREDIT

ONLINE, SUMMER 2023

ENG101 First-Year Composition

(Sec. # 15857) 3 credits

On Your Own Time Canvas 05/30/2023 - 07/20/2023

Emphasis on rhetoric, composition, and the writing process. Establish college-level writing strategies. **Class activities focus on Native American History as well as issues and concerns for Native peoples today. For more information, contact the American Indian Program at aip@scottsdalecc.edu or erica.litz@scottsdalecc.edu. Prerequisites: Appropriate writing placement test score, or a grade of C or better in ENG091 or ESL097 or WAC101, or a grade of B or better in ALT100, or (a grade of C in ALT100 AND Co-requisites: ENG101LL or ENG107LL OR WAC101 OR ENG100A+).**

CRW180 Intro to Writing Non-Fiction

(Sec. # 14243) 3 credits

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Practice in writing creative nonfiction, including autobiography and biography, the essay, reviews, and humor using a process of invention and discovery, writing, analysis, evaluation, and revision. Combines lecture, discussion, and workshop, leading to the production of marketable quality creative nonfiction. Prerequisites: None. CRW150 recommended but not required.

ENG217 Personal & Exploratory Writing

(Sec. # 14244) 3 credits

On Your Own Time Canvas 05/30/2023 - 07/20/2023

Using writing to explore one's self and the world one lives in; emphasis on journal writing as a source and inspiration for public writing. Prerequisites: A grade of C or better in ENG101, or ENG107, or equivalent.

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INTERESTED?

WRITING PLACEMENT

Contact Professor Erica Maria
Litz for guidance and
preparation at 480-907-9440
or Erica.Litz@scottsdalecc.edu.

ENROLLMENT BENEFITS

- Earn credit from Scottsdale Community College. All credit is transferable to any Maricopa Community College. WAC101, ENG & CRW Courses also transfer to ASU, U of A, & NAU. Enrollment assistance provided by instructor.
- Each class earns 3 SCC college credit hours upon successful completion.
- Classes will be On Your Own Time asynchronous courses in the Canvas learning management system.
- All courses will have additional instructor support for students unfamiliar with Canvas.
- Great opportunity to become acclimated to college coursework and earn college credit!

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The logo for the Salt River Family Read-Aloud Challenge is set against a light green background. It features a large, stylized arch of the words "SALT RIVER FAMILY" in a yellow, bubbly font with a blue outline. In the center of the arch is a circular seal. The seal has a black border with the text "GREAT SALT RIVER" at the top and "FAMILY COMMUNITY" at the bottom. Inside the seal is a yellow sunburst design with a black silhouette of a person sitting and reading a book. Below the seal are two stacked books, one pink and one blue. At the bottom of the logo, the words "Read-Aloud Challenge" are written in a dark blue, serif font.

The Salt River Family Read-Aloud Challenge encourages families to read 25 books together February 1 through May 3. Sign up today and we'll give you a FREE read-aloud family journal to record the books and stories your family shares.



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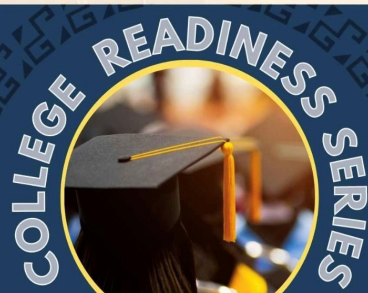
Sign up and get your FREE family reading journal:
Literacy@saltriversschools.org
or call 480-362-2063.

**Open to all
SRPMIC Families!
Prizes awarded to
families who
complete the
challenge!**

CHALLENGE:
READ 25 BOOKS
AS A FAMILY
BY MAY 3
(ORAL STORYTELLING COUNTS!)

COLLEGE CORNER

Community Recreational Services
Recreation Education Division



A 3-day college readiness series ideal for high school students and their families.

Open to all WOLF members and enrolled Community members.

Sessions

Choose One

Session 1: Feb. 13-15

Session 2: March 13-15

Session 3: April 17-19

Sign up starting Friday, Feb. 3
<https://sugeni.us/dERh>

All sessions are 5:30-7PM in the
Way of Life Facility, room 56.

Questions? Call the Salt River
Tribal Library at 480-362-6600.

MOCK INTERVIEW MONDAYS

WITH HIGHER EDUCATION

- Test your answers to tough questions
- Enhance your communication skills and delivery of responses

APPOINTMENTS
AVAILABLE

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS
9 AM - 4 PM

CONTACT JOYLA GATES TO REGISTER

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2022-2023 GRADUATION
RECOGNITION PROGRAM

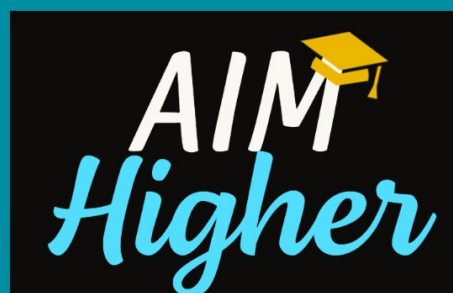
HONORING THE CLASS OF 2023

This includes any graduation from high school, GED, trade school, or college/university occurring from July 2022 through June 2023.

THURSDAY
JUNE
22
TALKING
STICK
RESORT

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and Salt River Schools offices of School and Community Relations and Higher Education would like to recognize all SRPMIC high school and postsecondary graduates from the class of 2023. This is a free event for students and two guests - **but you MUST register and fill out the application by Friday, June 9.**

Visit the Higher Education office to fill out a paper copy (located in the Salt River Schools Administration building, at 4836 N. Center St.). Or, visit our website to fill out and submit your form digitally.



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