

National External Diploma Program

Offered by the Peninsula Regional Education Program (peninsulaed.com) with support available from Literacy for Life



The NEDP Program allows adults, age 21 and older, to earn a high school diploma. (Mature younger adults, age 18-20, are sometimes accepted.) The program is self-paced and has no timed tests. Students complete and submit assignments online, and meet regularly with assessors to demonstrate their skills and knowledge. The NEDP is appropriate for self-directed students who can dedicate several hours a week to their studies. Upon completion, the program yields a high school diploma.

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Cost	\$800 (payable in 3 installments). Funding is often available; please inquire.		
Timetable	Self-paced. Average of 6-12 months to complete the program.		
Entrance Requirements	CASAS GOALS Scores Reading Level D – 20 (236) Math Level C/D – 17 (226)	Writing Diagnostic Minimum score 3 of 5	Basic Computer Literacy Score 85+ on four NorthStar assessments

The Process:

Many learners need assistance to meet the NEDP entrance requirements. Literacy for Life can assist with this process. We can

- administer the required CASAS reading and math assessments
- provide tutoring for skill development as needed
- assist with preparation for the writing diagnostic
- assist with computer skills, and administer NorthStar practice assessments

When ready to enroll, learners contact the NEDP program coordinator. Literacy for Life staff can facilitate the process and assist with seeking funding.

Once enrolled, the learner completes assignments delivered via a web-based program. The learner may receive help with assignments from a Literacy for Life tutor. Over the course of the program, the learner demonstrates mastery of competencies in ten content areas such as Financial Literacy, Health Literacy, Civic Literacy, Science, and Workplace Skills.

The learner submits work electronically and makes corrections/revisions as required. Approximately every two weeks, the learner meets remotely with an NEDP assessor to demonstrate mastery of the material.

Upon successful completion of the program, the learner earns a high school diploma from Newport News or Hampton Public Schools.