



Fort Smith

# ADULT EDUCATION CENTER

*Nurturing Growth, Rooted in Education*



**Mission:** *Our mission is to prepare students to successfully transition to higher education, career-readiness, and the workforce.*

## Available Programs:

- Adult Basic Education
- English as Second Language
- GED preparation
- U.S. Citizenship preparation
- Occupational Safety and Health Administrative Certificates (OSHA)
- WAGE Workforce Preparation
- Welding
- Construction Apprenticeship
- Digital Literacy
- CPR Classes
- CNA Certification
- Pharmacy Technician
- Distance Education
- Paraprofessional classes
- Social Services
- Work It Closet
- Food Bank (Partnered with district Social Workers and Student Services)
- Childcare



# Comparing the Numbers...

**2023 - 2024**

**2024 - 2025**

Staff:		
• FTE -	21	19
• PTE -	10	8
Total Enrollment YTD:	1447	1535
Participatory Students with 12+ Instructional Hours:		
• Adult Basic Education Students -	399	488
• English Language Learners -	370	383
• GED graduates -	146	139
• Pharmacy Technicians Certifications -	3	3
• Educational Paraprofessionals -	15	12
• Construction Craft Laborer -	N/A	4
• Welding Laborer -	1	11
• Phlebotomy -	8	1
• Commercial Driver's License -	1	8
GED Pass Rate:	87%	88%

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Federal Benchmark for Effective and Efficient Rate:	92%	101.41%
<b>FSAEC</b> – Overall Effective and Efficient Rate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>What's in the Numbers?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Educational Function Gains</li><li>GEDs</li><li>Workplace/Integrated Education - Education and Training Gains</li><li>2nd and 4th Quarter Earnings</li></ul></li></ul>	128.38%	130.05%



# 2025 Adult Ed Career Fair and Education Expo

## Sponsors:

- American Welding Laboratories
- 100 Families
- Fortrex
- ArcBest
- The Greater Fort Smith Home Builders Association



# A Picture of Success:

## Phu Nopporn Wangsaenkaew

- English Language Learner
- Two Years ESL Classes
- Employed and working 2 jobs while attending the AEC
- Earned GED at the AEC
- Began college at UA-Fort Smith
- 2nd year Computer Science Major

