



ACCELERATING OPPORTUNITY: KANSAS (AO-K)

The AO-K program, offered through Washburn Tech, provides an opportunity for individuals to work toward a GED while gaining new technical skills in preparation for a better career. With a GED and technical credentials, students have better options in today's economy.

Participants attend adult education classes only until they raise their scores to the level required to enter the AO-K program. Once in the AO-K program, students attend GED classes half-day and technical training half-day. This allows students to finish sooner. An additional AO-K instructor is present in the technical classroom a portion of the time to supplement the instruction and to assist students in the learning process.

Health Care Pathway

The AO-K program at Washburn Tech East offers several pathways. The 14-credit-hour Health Care Pathway focuses on completing the GED and acquiring certification as a Certified Nurse Aide (CNA), Certified Medication Aide (CMA) and Home Health Aid (HHA).

Students also learn OSHA-10 and develop a strong knowledge of medical terminology. These credentials and skills prepare individuals for careers in the fast growing field of geriatric care and other medically related fields.

Building Technology (Carpentry) Pathway

This 25-credit-hour pathway focuses on earning the GED and acquiring skills in framing, finishing, electrical, plumbing, surveying, masonry and other skills to work in the building industry. Students earn the NCCER certification.

Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Pathway

Add mileage to your professional future by earning your CDL. Washburn Tech East offers two options: a semester-long program featuring more drive time or a fast-track course that will put you in the driver's seat more quickly. This career is in high-demand and offers good pay and benefits.

What Does It Cost?

The Kansas Board of Regents covers the pathway tuition cost for students without a high school diploma or GED. Students pay a \$30 materials fee and the cost of taking four tests to earn the GED.

AO-K works in concert with the Kansas Department for Children and Families case managers, Vocational Rehabilitation and Work Force Center case managers to maximize the benefit of training dollars from all sources.

Additional financial assistance is available to students who qualify. See a recruiter for details.

More Pathways on the Huntoon Campus

Additional pathways are available through the AO-K program on Washburn Tech's main campus at 5724 SW Huntoon. A 23-credit-hour machine tool pathway prepares you to work as a machinist in the manufacturing industry. A 24-credit-hour welding pathway leads to a career as a fabrication welder.

Getting Started

Students, enrolling in the AO-K program, must complete an enrollment packet and attend an orientation session (see dates/times on the back of this sheet). For more information, contact Mandy Cox at 785.670.2601.

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For more enrollment and course schedule information please contact a Washburn Tech recruiter. Financial assistance is available to those who qualify.

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GED CLASSES OR ESL CLASSES AT WASHBURN TECH EAST

GED CLASSES	TIMES
Morning GED Class Orientation	8 - 11:10 a.m., Monday - Friday
Afternoon GED Class Orientation	11:45 a.m. - 2:55 p.m., Monday - Friday

Students must complete the enrollment packet by the Friday prior to orientation, no exceptions. Students must attend all days of GED orientation.

December 18 - December 21
February 12 - February 15
April 9 - April 12

- \$30 non-refundable materials fee is required at or before orientation
- Participants age 16 and 17 are required to bring a copy of their Compulsory Attendance Disclaimer form (from the high school district in which they currently reside) and a parent to be eligible to complete the enrollment packet.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)	TIMES
Morning ESL Class Orientation	8 - 11:10 a.m., Monday - Friday
Afternoon ESL Class Orientation	11:45 a.m. - 2:55 p.m., Monday - Friday

Your instructor will call you to confirm your initial orientation appointment time. Students must complete the enrollment packet by the Friday prior to orientation.

December 4 - December 7
January 29 - February 1
April 2 - April 5

- \$30 non-refundable materials fee is required at or before Orientation
- Participants age 16 and 17 are required to bring a copy of their Compulsory Attendance Disclaimer form (from the high school district in which they currently reside) and a parent to be eligible to complete the enrollment packet.

Verification of your social security number is a state/federal requirement of most certification exams. See a recruiter for details.



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