



Nashville Adult Literacy Council

Teaching Adults to Read and Succeed

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NASHVILLE ADULT LITERACY COUNCIL TO INCREASE OFFERINGS OF CITIZENSHIP CLASSES IN 2015

NASHVILLE, December 9, 2014: The New Year promises to be a busy and productive one for the Nashville Adult Literacy Council (NALC), as it looks forward to offering additional classes in Citizenship. Says Meg Nugent, Executive Director, "Currently, we teach four classes weekly in Antioch and West Nashville. But, because demand has been building at an astonishing rate, we plan to add two more to meet the needs of our new Americans."

The two- to four-hour sessions each week are designed to help strengthen the learner's language and literacy skills as he or she prepares for the United States citizenship examination. "As a future American citizen, the individual must learn his or her rights and duties," Nugent explains. "Our classes teach the basic English skills needed to understand and answer the questions on the naturalization exam. We also cover how to read English aloud in a way that indicates a comprehension of the words and sentences and how to write basic English so that others can read and understand what the individual has written."

NALC's citizenship classes include a study of the American court system, expressly how the American government works, and what responsibilities the learner will take on as a United States citizen. Says Nugent, "We study the Constitution and how laws are made. We teach them basic history about America's former leaders and the names and roles of our current leaders."

In a nutshell, the Nashville Adult Literacy Council works hard to equip new refugees and immigrants with the information and knowledge necessary to become US citizens and active members of the broader community. To find out dates and times of the upcoming citizenship classes, please call the NALC office at (615) 298-8060 or email pswartzbaugh@nashvilleliteracy.org.

Since 1982, the Nashville Adult Literacy Council (NALC) has been dedicated to teaching adult Americans to read and adult immigrants the English language. Annually, NALC helps more than 1,500 adult learners, conducts more than 25 classes in the community, and works with more than 500 volunteer tutors. NALC always needs volunteer tutors. Visit www.nashvilleliteracy.org to learn how you can get involved with teaching adults to read and succeed.