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SAD 1 Adult & Community Education Update on Closures and Cancellations

We are working hard to keep our learners and community members updated with the latest news regarding changes in our schedule due to concerns regarding the Coronavirus. Adult Education is a multifaceted program, located in various buildings, that works with many partners. Please review the following information as it pertains to adult education courses and enrichment classes. Our Adult Education office is open at this time, Monday-Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm, however please keep visits to a minimum. We encourage you to call first. Information can be found by calling our office at 764-4776 or visiting our website [https://msad1.maineadulted.org](https://msad1.maineadulted.org) or Facebook page (SAD 1 Adult & Community Education).

1. **All adult education classes, including diploma, HiSET, credit recovery/attainment, Healthcare Academy, and college transitions** that take place at our learning center will be closed from March 16 through March 27. This includes day and evening classes. These classes will be replaced by virtual and distance options. Students will be contacted by instructors to be offered distance learning opportunities, and other supports to keep you on track towards completion of your educational goals. We ask that you also reach out to us through phone, email or Facebook to discuss your plan.
2. **All adult education enrichment courses** will be cancelled through March 27. At this time, we will not start any new enrichment courses until further notice after we assess the situation. Any classes currently running will have missed class sessions added to the end. No new registrations will be accepted at this time. Existing registrations for future classes will be held until new or current start dates can be confirmed. (Examples of enrichment classes include quilting, knitting, pickleball, digi-blocks, welding, etc.)
3. **CNA course:** This class is continuing as scheduled. Please check with your instructor for dates and follow any scheduling adjustments from your instructor based on the recommendation of Presque Isle Nursing Home. Students needing to take quizzes at our office MUST call first to let us know which chapters are needed. We are setting Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00, aside for testing. We will continue
to accept applicants for our CNA-Med class scheduled to start in Caribou as well as Phlebotomy and CNA for next fall.

4. **Champions After School Program at Zippel** will NOT run from March 16-March 27. This program is following the same schedule as our PreK-12 schools. The program will resume once school goes back into session.

5. **SAD 1 Adult & Community Education Office** will be open for assistance and any questions you may have, please contact us at 764-4776. The following activities will be able to take place by appointment:
   a. HiSET testing for those students that have continued their work through distance learning, and are deemed prepared
   b. Dropping off and picking up course work for diploma, HiSET, and college transitions. Teachers will be available on a limited basis in the classroom but are accessible via email, phone, FaceBook Messenger, and video conference.
   c. Accuplacer testing for NMCC
   d. Testing services for current CNA students

6. At this time, **no new students for Diploma, HiSET, Credit Recovery/Attainment, or College Transitions** will be accepted until April 1st or possibly later until we assess the situation, and evaluate our next pathway based on the guidelines provided by the CDC and the State of Maine.

7. If you are feeling ill for any reason please stay home.

8. If you have recently traveled outside of Aroostook County please stay home.

9. We will continue to reassess our situation on a daily basis. Please take care of yourselves, your loved ones, and continue to check in with us.

Thank you for your patience,

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