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Non-Discrimination Policy

This Board is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination in relation to disability or handicap, marital status, race, gender, age, religion, creed, ethnic origin and veteran status. This policy shall prevail in all of its policies concerning staff, students, educational programs and services, and individuals with whom the Board does business. The staff shall establish and maintain an atmosphere, in which students can develop attitudes and skills for effective, cooperative living, including:

- a. Respect for the individual regardless of economic status, intellectual ability, race, national background, religion, sex, age or disability.
- b. Respect for cultural differences.
- c. Respect for economic, political, and social rights of others.
- d. Respect for the rights of others to seek and maintain their own identities.

The Board and staff shall promote good human relations by removing any vestige of prejudice and discrimination in recruitment, employment, assignment, and promotion of personnel; in location and use of facilities; in instructional materials, educational offerings, and other activities operated by this Board.

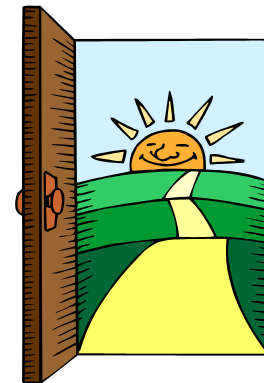
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Open the Door



To a Brighter Future

What is a Literacy Zone?

The Literacy Zone project is a reform initiative developed by the New York State Board of Regents and the State Education Department. Its mission is to close the achievement gap in urban and rural communities of concentrated poverty and high concentrations of families and individuals with limited literacy or English language proficiency. Literacy Zones are intended to provide a systematic focus on meeting the literacy needs of communities, from birth through adult.

What is BOCES?

A BOCES or Board of Cooperative Educational Services, is an educational collaborative in New York State that functions as an extension of local school districts. Western Suffolk BOCES represents 19 component school districts in Suffolk County, providing a variety of instructional and support services. The Adult Literacy Education Division, which oversees the Huntington Literacy Zone, receives state and federal grants to provide educational services in areas such as literacy, GED preparation, English as a Second Language, and career and technical training.

LITERACY ZONE PARTNERS

**Western Suffolk BOCES Wilson Tech
Secondary CTE Program**

**Western Suffolk BOCES Center for Alternative
Education**

Huntington Union Free School District

Family Service League

The Opening Word

The Training Source

The LI-RAEN

Cornell Cooperative Extension

**The Dolan Health Center
Pederson Krag Center**

**Teachers Federal Credit Union
The Huntington Library**

**The Workforce Investment Board (WIB)
The WIB/ Suffolk County Department
of Labor**

ACCES-VR and Western Suffolk BOCES

St. Hugh Parish

**The Girl Scouts
of Suffolk County**

**Western Suffolk BOCES Adult Career and
Technical Education**

**The New York State Senate
New York State Assembly (Representing the
Huntington Station Literacy Zone)**

Referrals & Services of Partner Agencies

Adult Literacy Services;
(ESL, ABE, High School Equivalency & High
School Diploma Preparation, GRASP &
Citizenship)
Parenting Classes/Instruction
Family Literacy Activities
Interactive Literacy Activities

Vocational Training & Counseling Services
Career and Technical Education

Provide placement in secondary programs to
Huntington Station secondary students.

Provide classes at the High School (in the Literacy
Zone area) to host ESL, High School Equivalency
& High School Diploma preparation evening
classes for those who cannot attend during the day
at the Welcome Center.

Provide academic immersion, counseling, parent
engagement opportunities, life skills and
workforce/college exploration.

Health, Nutrition & Personal Budgeting
Mental Health Services
Financial Literacy

Veterans Educational Services
Parish Outreach Services

“Be a Reader Program” for
Children of Adult LZ Students

Post-Secondary Educational Assistance,
Literacy Preparation: ESL, ABE / High School
Equivalency & High School diploma preparation
classes.

Adult CTE and Literacy program enrollment,
support services, referrals and use of the Senior
Center at the Opening Word.

