



Newsletter

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For Adult Education
students and tutors



End of The Session

Welcome to the end of session Adult Education Student Newsletter. The newsletter is written and produced by Adult Education Programme Team Staff on an occasional basis to keep students and tutors informed of what is going on in the Programme. As we have now reached the end of the educational year we thought that it would be appropriate to publish one last newsletter as it has been a successful year for the programme and for the students who take part in it. This is something worth noting and celebrating.

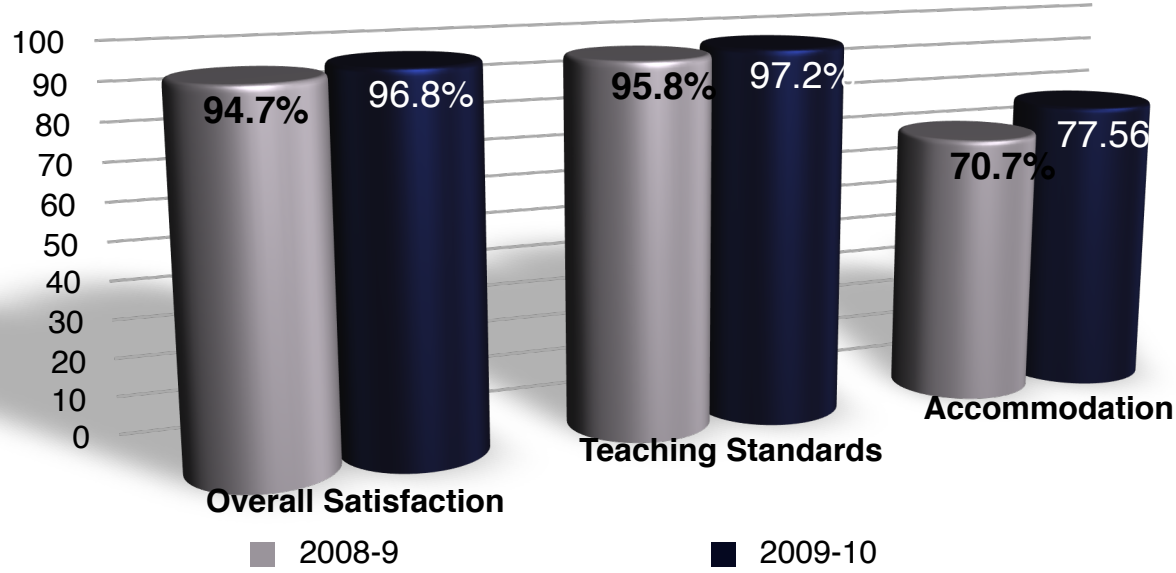


Lies, Damn Lies and Statistics

Everyone knows that there are lies, damn lies and statistics!!! The Adult Education Team produces statistics every year but we can say with hand on heart that they are as honest and accurate as it is humanly possible to make them (with the help of a computer of course). So how did we do this year? We had 11,142 enrolments, a 4.5% increase on last year, in 655 classes over 3 terms with a mixture of Daytime, Evening and Weekend classes. The annual student survey showed that 96.85% of students rated their overall satisfaction as good or excellent, teaching standards were rated as good or excellent by 97.20% and accommodation was rated as good or excellent by 77.70% . These figures also show an improvement on last year.

Statistics

Student satisfaction figures



Session 2010 -11

The new session will start on Monday 27th September 2010. The SQA Higher classes begin on 6th September 2010. The new brochure with details of classes and how to enrol will be available from 11th August from Community Centres, Council offices, GP Surgeries, bookshops and libraries. Students in classes this year will be sent a copy automatically.

Why join a Class?

There are lots of reasons to join a class. It is well known that there are many benefits, these include:

- Keeping mentally and physically active
- Developing new skills
- Meeting other people and forming new social networks
- Making constructive use of free time
- Improving job prospects or enhancing career chances

We asked a cross section of students what they thought the benefits had been to them from taking part in their class. The table below shows the results of this

BENEFITS TO STUDENTS	STUDENT COMMENTS
1. Learning a new skill	63
2. Improving on existing skill	50
3. Developing confidence	77
4. Meeting with other people	49
5. Improving job prospects	11
6. Keeping mentally/physically fit	30
7. Making good use of free time	15
8. Inspiring tutor helped learning	58
9. Inspired to try other courses	37
10. Enjoyment	44
TOTAL	434

**WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?
GET A PROGRAMME!!!**

New Subjects for 2010

Planning for the new programme in September is now well underway. Some of the new subjects under consideration for inclusion are, Criminology, Swedish, Start Your Own Business, Active Career Management, intermediate Web Design, intermediate Digital Image Editing, Maths for Everyone, Lunchtime Specials and Digital Media. These and many others, old and new will make up a new and exciting programme for the coming year.



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