



PALO ALTO ADULT SCHOOL Summer 2026

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*Registration Begins
May 8, 2026!*



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2026 SUMMER CALENDAR
 REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER QUARTER BEGINS // MAY 8, 2026
 SUMMER QUARTER TERM // JUNE 8–JULY 17, 2026
 HOLIDAYS–NO CLASSES // JUNE 19 & JULY 4, 2026

EDUCATION IS FOR LIFE!

ARTS AND CRAFTS

CREATE A WREATH

Instructor: Sam Kauffman, samksongs@gmail.com

Prerequisite: None



The season of festivities is fast approaching as we think about fall and holiday celebrations! Celebrate the season with a one-day workshop by making a one-of-a-kind wreath from Sam Kauffman's on-line shop—Whimsy And. Sam has had a floral

arranging business for over twenty years. There will be a \$15 materials fee payable to the instructor on the first day of class. *Limit 10 students.*

One Session / July 16

Thursday / 1–3:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 31 / \$30

DRAWING & WATERCOLOR WITHOUT INHIBITION

Instructor: Ferenc Besze, fbesze@pausd.org,

<http://besze.com>

Prerequisite: None



In this class we are focusing on having fun without inhibition! Some of the things we will cover in class include: learning about proportion and perspective, creating 3D effect, developing observation skills, and making compositional studies using a variety of subjects in dry and

wet mediums.

6 wks / June 10–July 15

Wednesday / 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Live Online / \$120

KNITTING

Instructor: Paola Trombetta, ptrombetta@pausd.org

Prerequisite: None

Knitters of all abilities are welcome! Learn basic and advanced skills in this fun and collaborative knitting workshop. Beginners learn to read pattern books, and/or design and create their own knitted garment and gifts. Advanced knitters, master your techniques and bring projects you are currently working on. *Bring a ball of yarn and knitting needles to the first class.*

5 wks / June 10–July 15 (No class July 1)

Wednesday / 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 1707 / \$100

LEARN TO CROCHET

Instructor: Paola Trombetta, ptrombetta@pausd.org

Prerequisite: None

Learn to chain, single and double crochet, create tri-dimensional forms, and read patterns. This class will work for you regardless of your skill level and you will enjoy it! *Bring 1 ball of worsted weight yarn plus a size 'H' crochet hook to the first class.*

5 wks / June 10–July 15 (No class July 1)

Wednesday / 5:30–6:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 1707 / \$50



Study In-person — or Study Online!

Our staff conducts in-person classes, and online classes via Zoom.

We provide easy Zoom access and user instructions once you register.

Many additional online classes (*outlined in this catalog and on our website*) are available via our partner **ed2go**.

For ed2go registration, visit ed2go.com/paloalto.

For questions about ed2go policies, please call ed2go at 1-866-441-5454.

CAREER TRAINING

Our career training courses can prepare you for a new career or help you advance within your current occupation.

DISCOVER VOICE-OVERS!

Instructor: Lisa Foster, liveclass@suchavoice.com

Prerequisite: None



Unlock the power of your voice! Join our dynamic webinar to discover a unique, lucrative path into voice acting for commercials, films, and beyond.

Master the art of voice-overs and take

control of your creative career with expert online instruction and a personalized 1-on-1 script read!

One Session / July 28

Tuesday / 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Live Online / \$50

WORK READINESS (Job Coach) — LEARN NEW SKILLS FOR GETTING A JOB *

Instructor: Kathilynn Lehmer, klehmer@pausd.org

Prepare a powerful resume and cover letter, create a LinkedIn profile, develop networking and interviewing skills, and learn new job hunting strategies. Sessions take place in person or via Zoom, depending upon the student's preference. Job seekers will attend an average of 12 individualized job coaching sessions to identify employment opportunities and resources, identify job search needs, develop job search skills, and create an employment portfolio. *There is no fee and the course is open-entry—start anytime.* For more information and to find out how to register, send an email to Kathilynn Lehmer at klehmer@pausd.org.

Start Anytime

No Fee *

In-Person or Live Online via Zoom

CAREER TRAINING: Advanced Certificate Programs ED2GO (Online/Recorded)

Introducing 400+ new Advanced Career Training courses. Learn new skills and prepare for industry-recognized certifications. Curriculum, course details, and prices can be found at careertraining.paadultschool.org/training-programs/.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MANAGER CERTIFICATION / GES2075

Instructor: ed2go Instructor

Prerequisite: None

If you want to advance your career within an accounts payable department, you need to become a certified Accounts Payable Manager (APM).

This 100% online training course will prepare you for the APM certification exam in just three months. For pricing, details, registration, visit careertraining.paadultschool.org.

3 Months / 30 Course Hours

Start Anytime (Self Paced)

ed2go Online/Recorded

CAREER COUNSELOR / GES2197

Instructor: ed2go Instructor

Prerequisite: None

In this 100% online course, train as a modern, ethical, and technology-enabled career counselor—combining evidence-based career development frameworks with practical tools like assessments-to-action planning, resume/LinkedIn optimization, inclusive client support, and responsible AI use. For pricing, details, registration, visit careertraining.paadultschool.org.

6 Months / 100 Course Hours

Start Anytime (Self Paced)

ed2go Online/Recorded

CAREER TRAINING: *Advanced Certificate Programs ED2GO (Online/Recorded)*

CERTIFIED PHYSICAL THERAPY AIDE / GES189

Instructor: ed2go Instructor

Prerequisite: None

This 100% online course will teach you the concepts, skills and practices to become a certified physical therapy aide. Upon successful completion, you will be eligible to take the American Medical Certification Association's (AMCA) Physical Therapy Technician/Aide certification exam. For pricing, details, registration, visit careertraining.paadultschool.org.

9 Months / 202 Course Hours

Start Anytime (Self Paced)

ed2go Online/Recorded

HVAC/R CERTIFIED TECHNICIAN / GES793

Instructor: ed2go Instructor

Prerequisite: None

This 100% online course will prepare you to earn NATE or HVAC Excellence certification in under 12 months! You will master core skills like accurate measurement and conversions, heat carrying capacity, condensation and vaporization, and air weight and value. For pricing, details, registration, visit careertraining.paadultschool.org.

12 Months / 330 Course Hours

Start Anytime (Self Paced)

ed2go Online/Recorded

FREIGHT BROKER AGENT TRAINING / GES703

Instructor: ed2go Instructor

Prerequisite: None

Gain the skills needed to build a successful freight brokerage or freight brokerage agency—100% online. Learn key freight fundamentals for future success, such as the laws and terminology, and much more! For pricing, details, registration, visit careertraining.paadultschool.org.

6 Months / 100 Course Hours

Start Anytime (Self Paced)

ed2go Online/Recorded

MICROSOFT EXCEL CERTIFICATION TRAINING / GES896

Instructor: ed2go Instructor

Prerequisite: None

Becoming a certified Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) Expert demonstrates your mastery of Microsoft Office products. This 100% online course prepares you for the Microsoft Office Specialist Expert certification exam for Microsoft Excel. For pricing, details, registration, visit careertraining.paadultschool.org.

6 Months / 70 Course Hours

Start Anytime (Self Paced)

ed2go Online/Recorded

COOKING: *Learn How to Cook in Just One Night!*

BOUNTIFUL FRUIT: THE ART OF JAM MAKING

Instructor: Maria Abilock, mabilock@pausd.org

Prerequisite: None



Participants will make and properly can fresh fruit jam using summer berries or stone fruits (such as apricots or plums). *Topics include:* sourcing bulk fresh berries or stone fruit, the role of pectin, preparing the fruit and jars, and cooking and canning the jam to be shelf-stable. Participants will take home one sealed jar of jam and recipes.

One Session / June 29

Monday / 6:30–9 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 103 / \$65



ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

ESL FALL QUARTER 2026—CLASSES BEGIN MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2026

The Palo Alto Adult School ESL program offers many classes to help you meet your English learning goals.

To enter our free classes, new students must register for a placement test.

ESL FALL 2026 DATES (Session #1)

- 8 weeks: August 17–October 9, 2026.

ESL PLACEMENT TEST REGISTRATION

- Fall 2026 placement test registration will be Mon, Aug 3, 2026 at 5 p.m. at our Greendell campus. Please check our website or call (650) 494-2326 for the exact address. *Test registration is in-person only—no phone or online registration. Register early—space is very limited.*
- After you take the placement test, you can choose your English class: *in-person or online, morning, or evening.* Please check website (PAAAdultSchool.org) for all testing dates and times.

ENROLLMENT POLICIES

- Students must be able to attend the full 8 weeks.
- There is no childcare for the test or the classes.
- *Required:* Student must have their own valid email address and contact phone number.

If you have questions, please call the ESL office at (650) 494-2326, or send us an email at esl@pausd.org.

CLASS SCHEDULE

IN-PERSON MORNING CLASSES / 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

- *Greendell:* Literacy — Advanced Low Levels (Mon–Thu)

ONLINE MORNING CLASSES / 9–11 a.m.*

- 3 times per week: Tue, Wed, & Thu
- 3 levels: Intermediate-Low; Intermediate-High; Advanced

**Students must download and learn Zoom at <https://zoom.com>*

IN-PERSON EVENING CLASSES / 6:30–9:30 p.m.

- *Palo Alto HS:* Literacy — Advanced Low Levels (Mon & Wed)

IN-PERSON & ONLINE ADDITIONAL SKILL–SPECIFIC CLASSES

- See English Enrichment classes at PAAAdultSchool.org.



Want to ask questions in Spanish or Chinese?

Para comunicarse con alguien que hable español, por favor llame a
Señora Skelton durante el día al (650) 494-2326
o a Señora Velazquez durante la noche al (650) 329-3752 Gracias
需要中文帮助请致电 Ms. Zhang (650) 329-3873

ENGLISH ENRICHMENT

FOCUS ON PRONOUNCING ENGLISH SOUNDS— EXERCISE YOUR MOUTH!

NEW

Instructor: Sara Dykes, sdykes@pausd.org

Prerequisite: Intermediate-Low or higher recommended

When you say “light” and “right”, do people get confused? “Bet” and “bed”? Do your v’s sound like w’s? English sounds can be challenging. *Never fear!* Your mouth just needs a little exercise! This class focuses on trouble areas for native Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Vietnamese speakers. Level intermediate-low or higher recommended. Students will need to purchase the *Printed Materials Packet* and have regular internet access for certain activities. Students are also encouraged to bring a water bottle because exercising your mouth can dry it out. **NOTE** This class will not “get rid of” your accent. Accents are beautiful, and everyone who speaks English has one. *Yes! Even the teacher!* It will, however, help you be more clearly understood in everyday conversations. The same content will be taught in the morning and afternoon sessions. Please only sign up for one session.

SECTION A

6 wks / June 9–July 14

Tuesday & Thursday / 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 30 / \$120

SECTION B

6 wks / June 9–July 14

Tuesday & Thursday / 12:30–2:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 30 / \$120



BE A VOLUNTEER ESL TUTOR Help Someone Learn English

Our Volunteer ESL Tutor Program Resumes Fall 2026!



Set aside one hour a week to help wonderful people at a crucial moment in their lives. You do not have to speak a foreign language or have teaching experience. Free training and ongoing support will be provided.

If you are interested in our ESL tutoring program, please visit our website (<https://paadultschool.org/classes/be-a-volunteer-tutor/>) and click the link provided to complete a form with your contact details and join our mailing list.

For more information, please contact
ESL Volunteer Tutor Program Manager, Anjani Sarma, asarma@pausd.org

GENERAL INTEREST

BASIC WRITERS WORKSHOP

Instructor: Sam Kauffman, samksongs@gmail.com

Prerequisite: None

Always wanted to write? Everyone has a story. This class, taught by published author and poet, Sam Kauffman, will guide you through your first steps to achieve your goal of writing wonderful novels, short stories, memoirs, poetry, etc. using basic techniques, resources, tips, and supportive class feedback. *Limit 10 students.*

6 wks / June 10–July 15

Wednesday / 10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 31 / \$100

CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP

Instructor: Chana Feinstein, cfeinstein@pausd.org

Prerequisite: Have previously taken a Creative Writing class at Palo Alto Adult School or have permission from instructor

Share your work for constructive criticism and make your creative work stronger and more effective. Strengthen your writing technique through reading examples of published writers and discussing writing topics as well as positively commenting on each other's work. *All genres welcome!*
Limit 12 students.

6 wks / June 11–July 16

Thursday / 6–8:30 p.m.

Live Online / \$100

CREATIVE WRITING:

WRITERS NURTURING WRITERS

Instructor: Sam Kauffman, samksongs@gmail.com

Prerequisite: None

Everyone has a story. Come! Time to tell your story with a friendly, welcoming, supportive group. *All* levels of writers, from rank beginners to those more experienced in written expression, are welcome. This is an encouraging group sharing in a round table experience. All genres accepted!
Limit 14 students.

6 wks / June 10–July 15

Wednesday / 1–3:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 31 / \$100

SO YOU WANT TO PUBLISH!

Instructor: Sam Kauffman, samksongs@gmail.com

Prerequisite: None

You have a manuscript. Now what? Come explore ways to get your writing into print with published, award winning author, poet and lyricist, Sam Kauffman, with over twenty-five years of experience in writing and publishing!

One Session / June 25

Thursday / 1–3:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 31 / \$30

NEW



NEW TEACHERS WELCOME!
We are looking for more
instructors to teach
German, Thai, Hindi, Korean,
and more!
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PAAAdultSchool.org/new-instructors-welcome

HEALTH & FITNESS

LINE DANCING

Instructor: Kent You and Sandy Hsu, kent.you@gmail.com

Prerequisite: None

Line Dancing is a fun way to stay fit and meet friends. Line dancing increases endurance and balance along with enhanced memory and awareness. Each class is choreographed by song and taught so the group is dancing in unison. Exercise your brain and body while enhancing balance as you learn new steps. Dance to a wide variety of international music—including pop music, classical music, and seasonal songs. *Beginners are welcome. No partners needed.*

6 wks / June 9–July 14

Tuesday / 7:30–8:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Dance Studio / \$60



MAT PILATES

Instructor: Golnaz Haghverdi, ghaghverdi@pausd.org

Prerequisite: None

Discover Mat Pilates! Strengthen your core, improve posture, and move with ease. Perfect for all levels—whether you're new to fitness or looking to deepen your practice. Build strength, flexibility, and balance, all on the mat. Join us and feel stronger, longer, and more aligned—*inside and out!*

SECTION A

5 wks / June 16–July 14

Tuesday / 6–7:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Dance Studio / \$75

SECTION B

5 wks / June 17–July 15

Wednesday / 6:30–8 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm P11 / \$75

TAI CHI: CHEN STYLE

Instructor: Lisette Yung, cyung@pausd.org

Prerequisite: None

Learn the traditional Chen Style first form (*Taijiquan*). Practice the continuous movements which helps develop balance, body coordination and strength and the understanding of basic Tai-Chi principles.

4 wks / June 10–July 1

Wednesday / 7:30 p.m.–8:45 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Dance Studio / \$50

HOME & ENVIRONMENT

GARDENING IN SUMMER

Instructor: Sherri Bohan, sbohan@pausd.org

Prerequisite: None

Enjoy your beautiful garden this summer with new methods to conserve water, get through heat waves, banish pests, manage diseases without toxic products. Beginning gardeners start by learning skills of successful gardening and experienced gardeners can apply many contemporary options of sustainability. Topics will include rose care, perennials, small home orchards, composting, vegetable gardens, herbs, weed control, planting for beneficials, adding plant nutrients, mulching, and designing for ornamental California Natives of local grasslands and woodlands.

6 wks / June 10–July 15

Wednesday / 10 a.m.–12 noon

Live Online / \$100



MUSIC

ODAIKO

Instructor: Kensuke Sumii, info@drumrevolution.com

Prerequisite: Students must also be currently enrolled in Taiko class

For continuing students only. This class is designed for individuals with stamina to hit Odaiko (big Taiko) for two hours. Odaiko will help build up stamina, rhythmic competence and speed to hit Taiko. *New students must audition before registering for class.* Please contact the instructor prior to registration. All equipment – including drums & sticks – are provided. **NOTE:** Odaiko is a physical activity requiring fitness and stamina. It requires peak physical conditioning and flexible joints and muscles. Individuals with physical concerns should check with their physician before enrolling in this class. All students will be required to sign a waiver of liability. There will be a \$120 materials fee per every six-week session payable to the instructor at the first class to cover the drum heads replacement.

6 wks / July 10–August 21 (*No class Aug. 7*)

Friday / 7:30–9:30 p.m.

Cubberley Rm M4 / \$60 (*plus \$120 materials fee*)

PENINSULA SYMPHONIC BAND

Instructor: Ted Henderson, mrhenderson1962@gmail.com

Experience the thrill of performance in this fully instrumental band for experienced players of wind and mallet-rhythm percussion instruments. Enjoy playing traditional, popular, and classical music. Tubists are especially needed. A concert will be given on Sunday, August 16, 2026 in the Performing Arts Center at Palo Alto High School, 50 Embarcadero Road, Palo Alto. Admission is Free. **NOTE:** There is a waitlist for some sections. To inquire about availability, please contact the music director before attending the first band practice: mrhenderson1962@gmail.com, or call (408) 910-1830.

9 wks / June 15–August 10

Monday / 7:30–10 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 109 / \$65

TAIKO

Instructor: Kensuke Sumii, info@drumrevolution.com

Prerequisite: None



Taiko is the art of Japanese drumming, which develops self-expression and musical creativity. This course engages in Uchikomi-based practice. Students who join should have a sense of rhythm and/or stamina to hit drums for two hours. Similar to martial arts

practice, students do not wear shoes or socks in class. Students practice barefoot. All equipment – including drums & sticks – are provided. **NOTE:** Taiko is a physical activity requiring fitness and stamina. It requires peak physical conditioning and flexible joints and muscles. Individuals with physical concerns should check with their physician before enrolling in this class. All students will be required to sign a waiver of liability. No food or accessories (watch, ring, earring, necklace, and bracelet) allowed in class. No socks and shoes (except Tabi) are allowed in class. There will be a \$120 materials fee per every six-week session payable to the instructor at the first class to cover the drum heads replacement. *Limit 24 students.*

6 wks / July 8–August 19 (*No class Aug. 5*)

Wednesday / 8–10 p.m.

Cubberley Rm M4 / \$60 (*plus \$120 materials fee*)

Peninsula Symphonic Band

Summer Concert

Conducted by Ted Henderson

Sunday, August 16th at 3 p.m.

Performing Arts Center, Palo Alto High School
Admission FREE - Donations Appreciated



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Master essential job responsibilities as you identify opportunities and implement solutions for increased productivity throughout your company.

CONVERSATIONAL JAPANESE

This course will provide you with useful words and phrases for conversing as you master the essentials of the Japanese language.

DESIGNING EFFECTIVE WEBSITES

In this course you'll master the basics of web design and learn how to build more effective sites.

LOSE WEIGHT & KEEP IT OFF

In this comprehensive course, you'll discover how to establish a healthy approach to weight loss and weight maintenance.

MICROSOFT EXCEL

Most workplaces require that new employees have a basic level of understanding of Microsoft Excel. This course will introduce you to the program's basic functions and uses.

QUICKBOOKS ONLINE

This course will empower you to take control of your business's financial accounting, all with the ease and convenience of an online platform.

REAL ESTATE LAW

Learn the basics of real estate law, including investing, title searching, and mortgages.

SECRETS OF BETTER PHOTOGRAPHY

Whether you use a DSLR, a point-and-shoot camera, or your phone for your photography, you will learn to get the best results from your camera.

STOCKS, BONDS AND INVESTING

Learn how to make wise investment decisions so that you have enough money to live comfortably through your retirement.

USING SOCIAL MEDIA IN BUSINESS

Learn how Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pinterest and Google+ can grow and promote your business.



PARENTING AND FAMILY

For 80 years, we have offered preschool programs organized primarily for parent education. Parents develop a deeper understanding of early childhood development and parenting skills through adult discussion classes, formal and informal observations, and community exchanges. Our unique participatory structure allows parents to be involved in their children's preschool education.

PRESCHOOL FAMILY

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INSTRUCTOR: PRESCHOOL FAMILY STAFF

PreSchool Family is a parent education, parent participation program serving families with children from birth through five years. The program is designed to offer parents an opportunity to learn about parenting and to actively participate in their child's education. For children, the program offers a developmentally appropriate, play-based, educational experience. Parents join their child for one class each week during September–May regardless of the age of the child.

Parent education is the heart of our program and consistent parent participation is required in both the child and the adult classes. We are committed to supporting the welfare of the whole family. Through our program, parents develop a sense of community and strength by working with other parents and their children. We strive to enhance each child's natural curiosity and love of learning.



Programs Offered for the 2026–2027 School Year

- Baby Class (6–12 Months)
- Toddler Class (12–24 Months)
- Mixed Age Dinner Class
- 2 Year Old Class
- 3 Year Old Class
- 4 Year Old Class



For information about 2026-2027 classes and registration
please visit <https://greendell.pausd.org/programs/preschool-family>
Follow PreSchool Family at [instagram.com/preschoolfamily](https://www.instagram.com/preschoolfamily)
PreSchool Family phone: (650) 856-0833

"This school has truly been a life-changing experience for me. I can't even quantify how much this school improved my parenting skills, relationship with my son, and confidence in parenting. The parent education classes are a wonderful way to meet other parents, talk about burning issues, realize that we are not alone in our parenting journeys (and struggles), connect with other parents and develop wonderful long-lasting friendships. With parent participation at PSF, I found there were two very important parts that make it so successful. First was attending the parent education classes to learn about child development, the skills to be a better parent, and to connect with other parents. Second was to volunteer weekly to put those skills into practice in the classroom and shadow the teachers that have developed these skills over decades. I learned so much at PSF, and I can truly say that it has changed my life. I feel much more confident as a parent, and I feel that I now have a toolbox of skills to help me be a much better parent."

Samantha Swan McCleary
PSF Parent

WOODTURNING *(Classes Limited to 6 Students)*

WOODTURNING: INTRODUCTION TO PENS

Instructor: Tina Chou, tchou@pausd.org

Prerequisite: None (Class not substitution for Woodturning 1 or Woodworking 1)

Learn how to use the lathe to turn beautiful wooden pens!

In this class, you will learn the basics of pen turning, how to turn safely at the lathe, and then assemble your pen with metal pen kit components. This is a great starter project to familiarize yourself with the lathe and try using traditional turning tools. There will be a \$20 materials fee payable to the instructor at the first class meeting. *Limit 6 students.*

One Session / See Dates Below

Tuesday or Friday / 6:30–9:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Woodshop / \$70 per session

- July 14
- July 17

WOODTURNING: INTRODUCTION TO THE LATHE

Instructor: Tina Chou, tchou@pausd.org

Prerequisite: None

(This class is not a substitution for Woodturning 1)

The first class of Woodturning is modified into a 3-hour standalone lesson. You will learn basic safety, operating a lathe, and using the spindle roughing gouge to turn a simple rolling pin. There will be a \$20 materials fee payable to the instructor on the first day of class. *Limit 6 students.*

One Session / June 20

Saturday / 1:30–4:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Woodshop / \$70

WOODTURNING: OPEN LATHE SHOP

Instructor: Tina Chou, tchou@pausd.org

Prerequisite: Woodturning 1 and Instructor approval required

For previous students wanting more time at the lathe to practice, repeat a past class project, and/or work on their own project(s) with some instructor supervision. Contact the instructor with your intended project(s) for approval prior to enrolling. There will be a \$20 materials fee payable to the instructor at the first class meeting. *Limit 6 students.*

Two Sessions / July 9 & July 10

Thursday & Friday / 6:30–9:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Woodshop / \$140

WOODTURNING 1: INTRODUCTION TO SPINDLES

Instructor: Tina Chou, tchou@pausd.org

Prerequisite: Woodturning I

You will learn the basic fundamentals of woodturning by making rolling pins, a cocktail muddler, a mallet, and bud vases. Emphasis will be placed on developing proper technique with traditional tools through practice and repetition. You will have lots of fun and make some wood shavings. There will be a \$40 materials fee payable to the instructor at the first class meeting. *Limit 6 students.*

Four Sessions / June 16–July 7

Tuesday / 6:30–9:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Woodshop / \$280

WOODTURNING 2: INTRODUCTION TO BOWLS

Will return Fall 2026

WOODTURNING 3: FORM & DESIGN

Instructor: Tina Chou, tchou@pausd.org

Prerequisite: Woodturning 1 (required), Woodturning 2 (recommended)

We'll focus on making intentional design decisions that combine shapes into flowing curves at the lathe. You'll get some refresher techniques on spindle turning and make wooden eggs for the class to critique. Additional projects include bud vases, a handle, and pens. There will be a \$40 materials fee payable to the instructor at the first class meeting. *Limit 6 students.*

Four Sessions / June 22–July 2

Monday & Thursday / 6:30–9:30 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Woodshop / \$280

NEW



WORLD LANGUAGES

FRENCH: BEGINNING

Instructor: Pary Sarraf, pary.sarraf@gmail.com



Bonjour! You will learn the fundamentals of pronunciation and will develop everyday conversational skills with a focus on phonetics, grammar, listening, reading and writing exercises. You will become familiar with French culture and customs. Order book from Amazon prior to first class: *Dis-moi!* (ISBN # 0-673-21627-6).

SECTION A: Beginning I

Prerequisite: None

6 wks / June 9–July 14
Tuesday / 9–11 a.m.
Live Online / \$120

SECTION B: Beginning II

Prerequisite: French Beginning I or equivalent

6 wks / June 9–July 14
Tuesday / 11:30–1:30 p.m.
Live Online / \$120

FRENCH: INTERMEDIATE I

Instructor: Pary Sarraf, pary.sarraf@gmail.com

Prerequisite: French Beginning II or equivalent

You will increase your vocabulary knowledge through reading and listening exercises and improve conversational skills by following guided activities. You will continue reinforcing mastery of grammar and improving syntax and will enhance your knowledge of French culture and customs. Order book prior to first class: *Viens voir!* (ISBN # 0-673-216284)

6 wks / June 8–July 13
Monday / 2–4 p.m.
Live Online / \$120

FRENCH: INTERMEDIATE II

Instructor: Pary Sarraf, pary.sarraf@gmail.com

Prerequisite: French Intermediate I or equivalent

You will increase your vocabulary knowledge through reading and listening exercises and improve conversational skills by following guided activities. You will continue reinforcing mastery of grammar and improving syntax and will enhance knowledge of French culture and customs. Order book prior to first class: *Viens voir!* (ISBN # 0-673-216284)

6 wks / June 9–July 14
Tuesday / 5–7 p.m.
Live Online / \$120

FRENCH GRAMMAR REVIEW

Instructor: Pary Sarraf, pary.sarraf@gmail.com

Prerequisite: French intermediate or equivalent

In this comprehensive grammar review course, the emphasis is on the language structure leading to effective communication. You will enhance conversation skills through attention to grammar rules and syntax. The curriculum includes a thorough revision of the parts of speech, modes, sentence structure, verb conjugation, and activity-based exercises. Order book prior to first class: *Niveau Avancé* (ISBN # 978-209-038062-0).

6 wks / June 11–July 16
Thursday / 2–4 p.m.
Live Online / \$120

FRENCH: CONVERSATIONS AROUND FOOD

Instructor: Pary Sarraf, pary.sarraf@gmail.com

Prerequisite: French Intermediate II or equivalent

Strengthen your French conversational skills through discussions on food and culinary topics, including everyday meals, cooking techniques, and dining experiences. Emphasis is placed on expanding vocabulary, refining grammar, and improving fluency through structured conversation. The instructor will provide the course materials by email prior to the first meeting. *Textbook: None.*

6 wks / June 9–July 14
Tuesday / 2–4 p.m.
Live Online / \$120

WORLD LANGUAGES

FRENCH: HIGH INTERMEDIATE READING AND CONVERSATION

Instructor: Mireille Belloni, mbelloni@pausd.org

Prerequisite: High intermediate French or equivalent

Reading is a great way to expand your knowledge of French. You will use a contemporary French novel as a vehicle for improving your language skills and discover aspects of French speaking culture. This class is aimed at students who can express themselves fluidly in French, can understand complex sentences, have a solid knowledge of past tenses, and enjoy reading fiction in any other language. Please contact the instructor for textbook information before or upon registration.
Limit 12 students.

5 wks / June 8–July 6

Monday / 6–7:30 p.m.

Live Online / \$75

ITALIAN CONVERSATION WORKSHOP: BEGINNERS

Instructor: Roberta Lamanda, rlamanda@pausd.org

Prerequisite: Beginning level or equivalent



Let's talk in Italian! This two-session workshop is designed for beginner learners who want to practice speaking Italian in a relaxed, supportive environment. Through guided conversations and review of key vocabulary, participants will practice everyday situations such as introductions,

daily routines, and simple interactions. Focus on real conversation and confidence. *Parliamo italiano!* New students are welcome! All students are required to have their video *on* during class and use headphones. *Textbook:* Reach out to the instructor for details regarding the textbook or any inquiries about this class. Instructor will send class details and link one day before the first class.

2 wks / June 10–June 17

Wednesday / 5–6:30 p.m.

Live Online / \$50

ITALIAN CONVERSATION WORKSHOP: INTERMEDIATE

Instructor: Roberta Lamanda, rlamanda@pausd.org

Prerequisite: Intermediate level or equivalent

Let's talk in Italian! This two-session workshop is designed for intermediate learners who want to practice their Italian speaking skills in a relaxed, supportive environment. Through guided conversations and targeted vocabulary review, participants will discuss everyday situations and more complex topics, expressing opinions and sharing experiences. The focus is on conversation: fluency and confidence. *Facciamo conversazione!* New students are welcome! All students are required to have their video *on* during class and use headphones. *Textbook:* Reach out to the instructor for details regarding the textbook or any inquiries about this class. Instructor will send class details and link one day before the first class.

2 wks / June 11–June 18

Thursday / 5–6:30 p.m.

Live Online / \$50

ITALIAN CONVERSATION WORKSHOP: ADVANCED

Instructor: Roberta Lamanda, rlamanda@pausd.org

Prerequisite: Early advanced level or equivalent

Let's talk in Italian! Two sessions for advanced learners who want to truly connect through Italian, through thoughtful discussions, richer vocabulary, and meaningful practice in a supportive setting. Each session is tailored to the group, targeting the grammar patterns and communication strategies that make the difference between correct Italian and natural Italian. *Conversiamo in italiano!* New students are welcome! All students are required to have their video *on* during class and use headphones. *Textbook:* Reach out to the instructor for details regarding the textbook or any inquiries about this class. Instructor will send class details and link one day before the first class.

2 wks / June 8–June 15

Monday / 5–6:30 p.m.

Live Online / \$50

WORLD LANGUAGES

SPANISH: BEGINNING

Instructor: Leonardo McCord Salazar

Prerequisite: Four quarters of Spanish: Beginning or equivalent



Learn the essentials of Spanish grammar from a native speaker, and develop the four language skills in meaningful contexts. Topics included will be useful for parents with children in Spanish Immersion classes. Adult students will be able to participate actively in simple conversations with their children. Required textbook can be purchased in the Adult School office.

Levels 1-4 & 6 are not offered this summer quarter.

SECTION E (Level 5)

6 wks / June 8–July 13

Monday / 7–9 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 302 / \$120

SPANISH: LOW INTERMEDIATE

Instructor: Leonardo McCord Salazar

Prerequisite: Two years of Beginning Spanish or equivalent

¿Habla Ud. español? Continue your studies, and focus on conversational skills. Add to your knowledge of grammar and Hispanic culture. Order books prior to first class: *Grammatica de uso del espanol* (ISBN # 978-84-675-2108-5) and *Stories from Mexico* (ISBN # 978-1260011043).

6 wks / June 9–July 14

Tuesday / 7–9 p.m.

Palo Alto HS Rm 302 / \$120

SPANISH: INTERMEDIATE

Instructor: Leonardo McCord Salazar

Prerequisite: Three quarters of low intermediate Spanish or equivalent

Learn the fine points of Spanish grammar and the multiple uses of the subjunctive mood in this engaging course. Read, translate, and discuss a masterpiece of Spanish, Latin-American, or Chicano literature. Order books prior to first class: *Advanced Grammar* (ISBN 978-0-07-183899-3) and *El reina del dragon de oro* (ISBN 978-0-06-059171-7).

6 wks / June 10–July 15

Wednesday / 5–7 p.m.

Live Online / \$120

SPANISH: ADVANCED CONVERSATION AND LITERATURE

Instructor: Leonardo McCord Salazar

Prerequisite: Advanced Spanish skills

Converse with other students in Spanish, and read contemporary Spanish or Latin-American plays, novels, or short stories. Repetition of the course is encouraged, as new literature is introduced every quarter. Required textbook can be purchased in the Adult School office. Or, you can purchase the book online: *Los de abajo* by Mariano Azuela (ISBN # 978-0-14-026621-4).

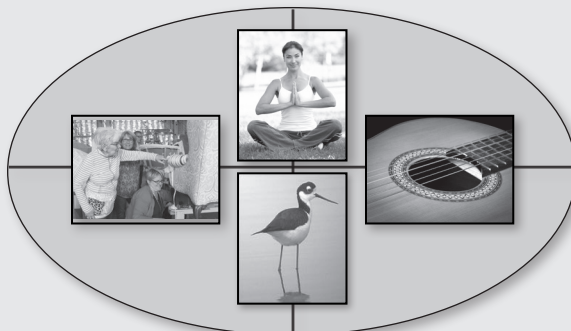
6 wks / June 10–July 15

Wednesday / 7:30–9:30 p.m.

Live Online / \$120

CLASSES RETURNING FALL 2026

- BIRDING
- CHINESE
- ENGLISH ENRICHMENT
- GUITAR
- SEWING
- UPHOLSTERY
- VIOLIN
- YOGA
-AND MORE!



ADULT SCHOOL INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY

All persons over the age of 18 are eligible for all Adult School classes with no residency restrictions.

REFUNDS

- ★ Refund of fees will only be given if requested at least 72 hours before the first class meeting. Please cancel at least five days before a Cooking class. There is a \$15 fee for cancellations. Please choose your classes carefully.
- ★ We are sorry we cannot accept medical, business travel or other reasons.
- ★ Full refunds will be given automatically if the Adult School cancels a class.
- ★ Deposits and tuition for parent education classes are entirely non-refundable.
- ★ Textbooks are non returnable.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

To receive a certificate of hours attended, please submit a request on our website: [paadultschool.org](https://www.pausd.org/paadultschool.org).

TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY

Smoking and the use of tobacco products by all persons is prohibited on Palo Alto Unified School District property and at district-sponsored events.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

It is the policy of the Palo Alto Unified School District to provide a school environment free from all forms of harassment, including sexual harassment, and to maintain an environment in which all students and staff model this behavior and are treated with dignity and respect. Please see the district website for complete information: <https://www.pausd.org/about-us/policies-procedures/title-ix-office>.

UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

The Palo Alto Unified School District maintains a uniform complaint procedure. Please visit the district website for complete information at <https://www.pausd.org/about-us/policies-procedures/formal-complaint-procedures>.

CONTACTS & OFFICE HOURS

CONTACT INFORMATION

Mail: Palo Alto Adult School
50 Embarcadero Road
Tower Building Rm #33
Palo Alto, CA 94301

Phone: (650) 329-3752
Email: adultschool@pausd.org

SUMMER QUARTER OFFICE HOURS

PALY

Mon–Wed 8:00 a.m.– 9:30 p.m.
Thu 8:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.
Fri Closed

GREENDELL

Jun (Mon–Thu) 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
Jul (Mon–Thu) 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. (& by appointment)
Fri Closed

5 WAYS TO REGISTER

PHONE

(650) 329-3752

EMAIL

adultschool@pausd.org

WEBSITE

paadultschool.org

MAIL

Palo Alto Adult School
50 Embarcadero Road
Palo Alto, CA 94301

WALK IN

Palo Alto Adult School
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RECEIPTS/CONFIRMATIONS

Please call if you need a receipt or a confirmation: (650) 329-3752.

You will be notified if a class is full.

REGISTER EARLY

Register today to secure your place in our most popular classes. If minimum enrollments are not met, classes will be canceled and a full refund will be processed. Refunds are given up to 72 hours before the first class meeting.

NEED HELP? PLEASE CALL

(650) 329-3752

FALL REGISTRATION BEGINS **Friday, May 8, 2026**

This schedule is valid through July 17, 2026.
Additional information, materials lists,
and schedule changes are posted on our website.

PAAAdultSchool.org

MISSION AND SCHOOLWIDE LEARNER OUTCOMES (SLOs)

MISSION

Palo Alto Adult School is committed to providing a broad range of accessible, flexible, and effective educational programs that enable our diverse community of adult learners to achieve their academic, career, and personal goals.

SCHOOLWIDE LEARNER OUTCOMES (SLOs)

SET GOALS

Students will assess their own needs and identify their academic, career, and/or personal goals.

- With guidance, develop and communicate plans to achieve their goals.
- Be self-directed learners who learn independently and collaboratively in a diverse environment.

ACHIEVE SKILLS

Using a variety of methods, technology and resources, students will acquire knowledge and skills.

- Develop and apply critical thinking skills.
- Obtain academic and career skills for life and workforce readiness.

DEMONSTRATE LEARNING

Students will apply their acquired core knowledge and skills appropriate to their goals.

- Advance to post-secondary education or training.
- Contribute to personal enrichment and the community.
- Demonstrate 21st century skills including critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT PALO ALTO ADULT SCHOOL
ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES AND LOCATION MAPS,
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REGISTRATION FORM



Or Register online: www.paaltdultschool.org

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Year: **2026**

Quarter: Winter Spring
 Summer Fall

Registration Date: _____

Name: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: _____
(No.) (Street) (City) (Zip)

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

Start Date: _____ New Student Returning Student Date of Birth: _____ M F

Class Name	M	T	W	Th	F	S	Instructor	Time	Location	Fee

Type of Payment: Check Cash Visa M/C No Fee

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

How did you find out about this class? _____

***** ALL RESIDENTS AND NON-RESIDENTS WELCOME! *****