



ESL In-Home Program of Northern Nevada

Newsletter

One-on-one Tutoring in ESL, GED, Computer Literacy and
Citizenship Study.....AT NO COST!

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WE CELEBRATE OUR TEN (10) YEAR ANNIVERSARY

We could not continue to grow without you! “We want to thank all ESL’s donors, corporations, individuals and foundations for their financial investment in the many classes our program’s staff and administration oversee. Your gifts have helped your community and made it possible to teach English language skills to over 2,200 adults and their families these past ten years”

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ESL In-Home Program’s 10th Year!

[Our mission](#) is to empower adults to improve their lives and achieve their goals through literacy; to provide a free, first-class education for anyone, anywhere. All of our resources are completely free forever, regardless of whether you’re a student, teacher, or a friendly martian just trying to get a leg up in learning something new, improve basic skills and obtain jobs that pay family-sustaining wages.

Our program is a [501\(c\)\(3\) nonprofit](#), and we would not be possible without the [generous support](#) of our donors and supporters everywhere. In particular, we’d like to thank those on this list for helping our mission.

Let’s not forget our other challenge besides needing funds:
We need more tutors. How about YOU?

If we neglected to mention your name, we apologize. Please let us know so that we can give you proper acknowledgment

**Our Tutors do make a difference. Here's the proof:
For the last 10 years, these are some of the success stories from their students:**

Student **Rosie A.** now reads stories to her children in English.

Student, **Elizabeth Y.** received a job promotion. In addition to her ESL class, she is now studying typing and attending our Computer Literacy class.

Grandmother B. reached her goal: She now reads stories in English to her grandchildren when they come home from school.

Student, **Juan H's** boss thought Juan knew enough English to give him the Supervisor position.



Student **Maria G.** can now speak to, and understand clerks in stores .

Student **Maria** says "I like this class because it is important learning and speaking English in this country for a job".

Mr. P. cried when at 65 he was able to write his name.

Student **Aurora F:** "This program means a lot to me. It is giving me the opportunity to improve my English skills and also makes me feel more confident when I talk.

One of our adult learners told us that "Learning to speak, read and write and understand when others are speaking has changed everything in my life. It has made me feel like I'm somebody now. I'm more a part of things."

Students **Martha and Pedro C** writes: "Our tutor has taught us a lot and helped build more confidence in improving social skills. We have admired the form of teaching and practice we receive in class. We are grateful to the ESL In-Home Program for giving us this opportunity."

Climbing the ladder of Success



"I am a single mother who dropped out of school in 8th grade and could not find a job because I have no high school diploma . I am now in an ESL In-Home GED class which will help me find a job." Gratefully, **RW**

Maria M. reads books with expression! She goes to her child's school to help in the cafeteria and is now able to speak English with co-workers.

Another anonymous student says "I was ashamed when I couldn't respond to an English speaking person. Now I can!!"

Many of our adult men and women students have found jobs, some have advanced in their employment, many are communicating with children's teachers and medical personnel without interpreters then being removed from Social Service records, shop in English speaking stores, have attained their GED, and have become U.S. Citizens.



Our 10th Annual Awards Appreciation Ceremony in Carson City will be held on Saturday, June 28, 2014 at the Governor's Mansion, 660 Mountain Street. Tutors, students, families, sponsors, donors, partnerships, supporters will be invited to hear Governor Sandoval speak. Also, entertainment and ethnic pot-luck food are available for your enjoyment.



Our ceremony in Washoe County will be held (day/time to be determined) at the C/O Reno Parks & Recreation gym on Neil Road.

Formal invitations will be sent shortly. Watch for new photos in July-August newsletter.

ATTENTION: WE HELP BUSINESSES

We tutor your employees. Businesses know they can contact us if employees need help with their reading and writing or if they need to work on their English. Then we assign them to tutors like we do with the rest of our students. Companies have told us their employees are communicating better with customers.

Our tutors meet students at a time and place that works for both of them. If transportation is a problem, in some cases the employer arranges for tutoring at their site after work.

We have tutoring sites all over in the 5 counties where our program exists (Carson, Douglas, Washoe, Lyon and Churchill). Many are located in businesses that allow us to use their meeting rooms. We refer students to the site that is most convenient for them.

If you want to help your employees to advance, call me:

775-888-2021

TUTOR TIPS

1) For grammar send an Email to:

esl@aboutguide.com

2) From Tutor Laura D.—simple free courses: <https://www.khanacademy.org/>:

3) Check out these websites: <http://www.c-pal.net/course/index.html>: for volunteers who work in adult literacy education communities.

4) Also available: <http://www.c-pal.net/course/index.html>

5) Following is a wonderful site for wonderers—whatever you are wondering. www.wonderopolis.org:

6) For lesson plans: www.nwlinrd.org

7) All kinds of ESL lessons, activities, stories, etc. www.nwlincs.org/nwlincswb/lessons.htm:

Dear Tutors:

Tell Parents: Family pets may not have a lot to say, but they make great listeners. Children are typically less stressed when reading aloud knowing their four-legged audience is patient and nonjudgmental. If your child is hesitant to read aloud to you or peers, try scheduling a reading session with the family dog, cat or even goldfish. Canine reading programs are popping up in libraries all around the country, and the effectiveness of these initiatives is evident. A study by the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine found that over the course of a 10-week period, children who participated in a canine reading program improved their literacy skills by 12 percent. The next time you're at the local library, keep an eye out for a four-legged friend. When it comes to literacy, man's best friend may just turn out to be your child's best pal. -

See more at: <http://wonderopolis.org/wonder/how-can-four-legs-help-you-become-a-better-reader/>

RECIPE FOR CINCO DE MAYO By Ana Torres **Guacamole!**



- 2 ripe small Hass avocados
- 1 lemon, juiced
- 1 large clove garlic, minced
- 1 jalapeno, seeded and finely chopped
- 1 small plum tomato, seeded and finely chopped
- 1/2 small yellow skinned onion, finely chopped
- 1 teaspoon coarse salt
- Blue corn tortilla chips, for dipping

Cut avocados in half around the pit. Separate halves. Pop out pit with spoon, then scoop flesh into a bowl. Squeeze juice of lemon over avocados. Add garlic, jalapeno, tomato, onion and salt in bowl. Mash and mix ingredients into a chunky dip using a fork. Serve with chips.

STATISTICAL UPDATE

Current Tutors 138
Current Students 476
U.S. Citizens 157

Potential Students Waiting for a tutor:

Carson. 178
Douglas..... 30
Lyon 66
Churchill 18
Washoe 154

Total Students Waiting all Counties: 446

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One-on-one tutoring for adults in
their own home at their own
pace.....At No Cost!

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Mission Statement: ESL In-Home Program of Northern Nevada provides instruction at no cost to adult individuals who wish to learn or improve their English language skills, GED preparation, Computer Literacy and Citizenship study regardless of sex, age, race, religion or national or ethnic origin, or physical disabilities. ESL In-Home Program empowers people, especially those of low to moderate income, to become more productive members of their local communities by providing them with the language and cultural skills necessary for life in America.

*To make donations to the ESL In-Home Program of Northern Nevada send check to:
702 Sean Dr.
Carson City, NV 89701*

All donations are tax-deductible. We are a 501©(3) non-profit organization.

Invite your friends to become a volunteer tutor! Tell them why you enjoy the experience. Invite them to learn more about our program at our website: www.eslinhome.org. It is not necessary for tutors to know a foreign language or have prior teaching experience. We train at no cost. The ESL In-Home Program would like to expand to other counties in Northern Nevada.

From the Executive Director



Florence G. Phillips

I was asked: What helps you feel good about life?

My Answer: Knowing that I am satisfied with my life's work and that the achievements will live on. (Florence Phillips)

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It had long since come to my attention that people of accomplishment rarely sat back and let things happen to them. They went out and happened to things. (Leonardo da Vinci)