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LOCAL NEWS

Free Basic Computer Skills Class

Classes available in English and Spanish!

Clackamas Community College Community Education is offering a free basic computer skills class both in English and Spanish for the community. The course is designed to meet the needs of diverse learners and empower participants with foundational computer skills needed in today's digital age.

The basic computer skills class uses Northstar Digital Literacy, a nationally recognized provider of technology training and assessment. The class is designed for people at all skill levels and aims to build confidence in navigating the digital world, whether for work, education or personal use.

"We believe that education is for everyone, and the ability to navigate the digital landscape is a fundamental skill in today's world," Sunny Olsen, CCC Community Education director, said. "This course is designed to be



Learn basic computer skills in English or Spanish through Clackamas Community College Community Education program.

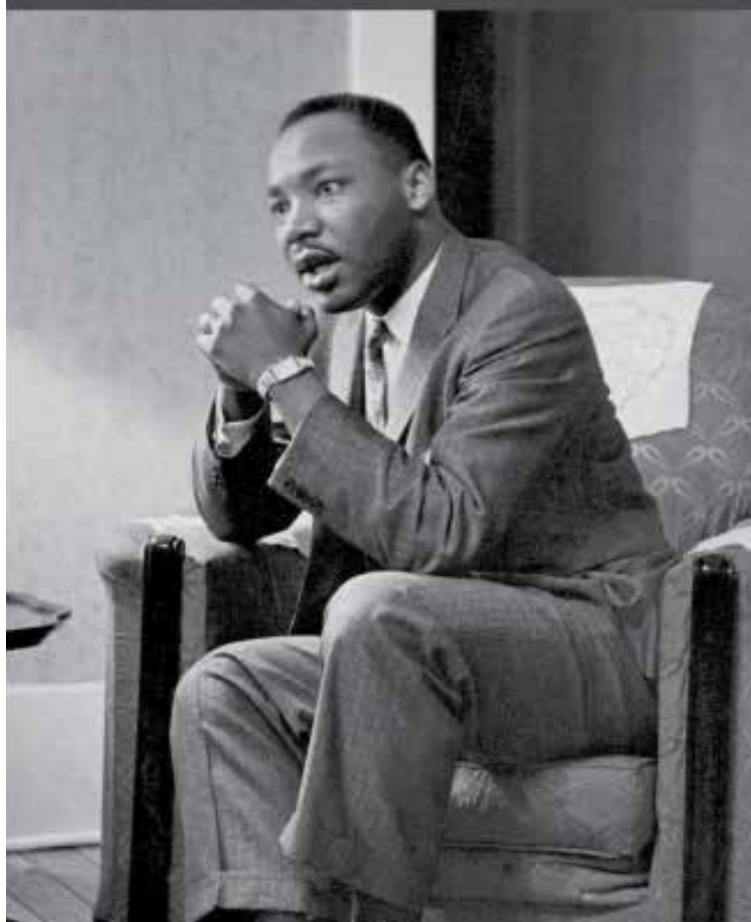
accessible, free and beneficial to a diverse community that reflects the values we uphold at CCC."

English basic computer skills class is through Oct. 4 to Nov. 29 at 6-7:15 p.m. at Clackamas Community College Harmony Campus, Room HW 210, 7738 SE Harmony Road, Milwaukie the class is free of charge. Please call 503-594-0940 to register. Spanish basic computer skills class is through Tuesdays, Oct. 3-Nov. 28 at 6-7:15 p.m. It will

be held at Clackamas Community College Oregon City Campus, McLoughlin Hall 132, 19600 Molalla Ave., Oregon City. It is free of charge. Please call 503-594-3279 to register.

No laptop is required for the class, as computers will be provided on-site. For more information about Clackamas Community College Community Education and its range of educational programs, visit www.clackamas.edu/community-member.

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Police Crack Down on Fentanyl

Nearly a dozen fentanyl overdoses reported

AP--Nearly a dozen children, including a 1-year-old, have overdosed on fentanyl since June in Portland, Oregon, its police bureau said Thursday, intensifying alarm in a city like so many others that has struggled to address the deadliest overdose crisis in U.S. history. Police said 10 minors have overdosed since June and fentanyl is suspected in all but one of the cases. Half of the incidents were fatal. A 1-year-old, 2-year-old, 5-year-old and two 15-year-olds are among the dead, the Portland Police Bureau said in a news release.

A growing number of children are dying of fentanyl overdoses across the country amid an escalating opioid crisis that last year claimed nearly 80,000 lives, according to federal data. In the past month, a 2-year-old with a significant amount of fentanyl in her system died at her home south of Seattle, a 1-year-old died of a suspected fentanyl overdose at a day care in New York City and a 15-month-old in California died after being exposed to the substance in her home.



A vial of fentanyl, which will kill a human if ingested into the body

Police in Portland have increased patrols to shut down an open-air fentanyl market at an abandoned building downtown, and Democratic Gov. Tina Kotek just this week announced plans to address fentanyl flowing into the state.

Kotek said she has directed the Oregon State Police to increase staff on local drug enforcement teams and boost patrol and detective resources, among other things, in order to disrupt the fentanyl supply chain.

Portland police say they're concerned by the growing number of juvenile overdoses. The number of such overdoses since June alone is higher than the total number investigated over the last three years combined.

The episodes are considered "suspected" overdoses until confirmed by the Medical Examiner's Office. The police bureau's narcotics and organized crime unit is investigating all of the cases.