

Class work can lead to G.E.D.

Preparation for the General Education Development test can begin at the Central Oregon Community College Adult Learning Center. A teacher is available to help students gain proficiency in the skills that will be required on the test.

The GED indicates ability and competency similar to that of high school graduates. It is accepted by colleges, training schools and some employers and military.

Anyone who is 18 years old and not a high school graduate is eligible to take the test. Any 16- or 17-

year-old who has been released from compulsory school attendance is also eligible.

Tests usually take two days. Tests may be taken on one day or the five tests may be divided into three testing days within a six-week period. Tests, also, may be taken one at a time.

Two retests are allowed in one year's time. Tests may not be taken to raise scores, however.

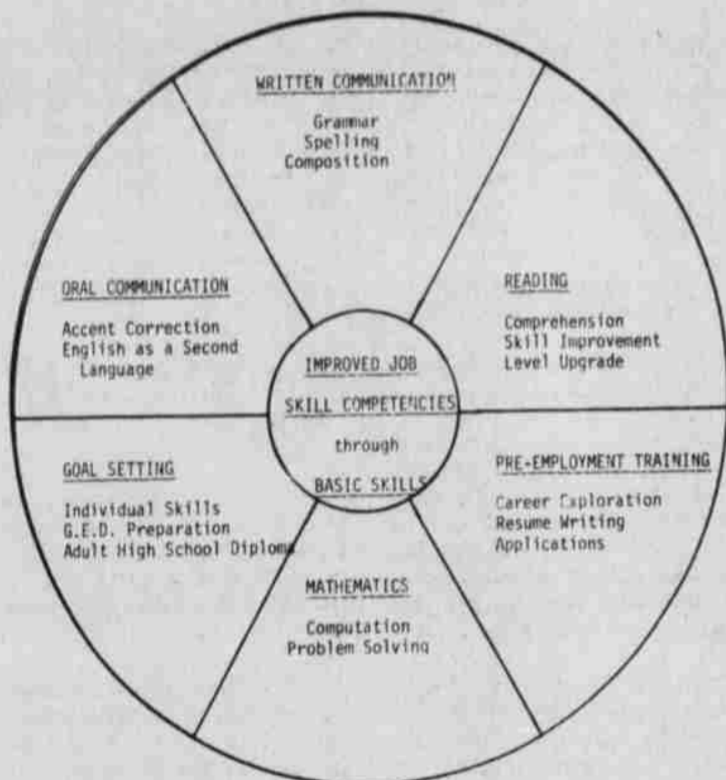
To pass the GED test a score of 40 must be achieved on each test

which includes writing skills, social studies, science, reading skills and math.

When the GED test is passed, the State of Oregon will send the student a certificate of equivalency as proof of passing the test.

A fee of \$15 is charged for testing at Central Oregon Community College counseling office in Bend. A \$5 fee is charged at the office in Warm Springs. Contact Central Oregon Community College for more information 1-800-422-3041 or the local COCC center office at 553-1428

A.B.E. increases skills



Adult Basic Education at Central Oregon Community College is available to anyone 18 years of age or older. Any 16 or 17-year-old may attend if he or she has been released from high school attendance.

Through the A.B.E. program adult learners learn to read better, learn to spell better, learn to do more math, learn to write better, learn to fill out applications, learn to become a U.S. citizen, learn English as a second language. A

student can also acquire occupational knowledge and learn about community resources.

Enrollment can take place at any time. Once personal goals are achieved, a student no longer attends classes.

For more information call toll free 1-800-422-3041 or call Central Oregon Community College Warm Springs Center at 553-1428 or the Madras Center at 475-2136.

Volunteers help

A person who is unable to read at eighth grade level is considered to be illiterate. It is difficult for this person to efficiently function in this society which requires reading for many activities from filling out job applications to attending college.

More and more people in this category are seeking help to develop both their reading and math skills. Adult Basic Education classes provide the means to raise reading levels and math skills. Central Oregon Community College enrolls over 400 low-level readers each year.

An important part of the Adult Basic Education program are volunteer tutors. Volunteers have proven to be a valuable asset to the educational process.

With volunteers, a teacher can transfer more time from routine functions to the most important teaching functions. Each student receives more attention; students make greater gains; student feel less frustrated when they get an immediate, positive response to their or questions; the presence of a volunteer helps to increase attendance.

Volunteers receive tutor training after which they are able to work competently with adult learners on a one-to-one basis or in small groups. Anyone is welcome to assist other adults to learn basic skills in reading, writing, math, handwriting, spelling and living skills.

In the community two Central Oregon Community College Education Centers have classrooms to assist adults in learning how to read and increase other skills. The Madras Center is located at 213 3rd Street and the Warm Springs Center is located on the second floor in the Old Boy's Dorm.

Classes for tutor training are currently being held in Madras. The next series of classes is scheduled for next term. A tutor training session is always held in Bend and when enough interest is shown training classes are held at other locations throughout Central Oregon.

Assemblies set

Two award assemblies are scheduled for February at Madras High School.

On Thursday, February 11 at 11:40 a.m. awards will be presented to all students on the first semester honor roll. Awards will also be presented to students who earned a grade point average one full point higher than the previous semester.

At 2:45 p.m. on Wednesday, February 17, attendance and citizenship awards will be presented.



Sixth grade Buff Elementary students look through old photographs that one student will use for her Cultural Fair exhibit. Cultural Fair is set for February 25.

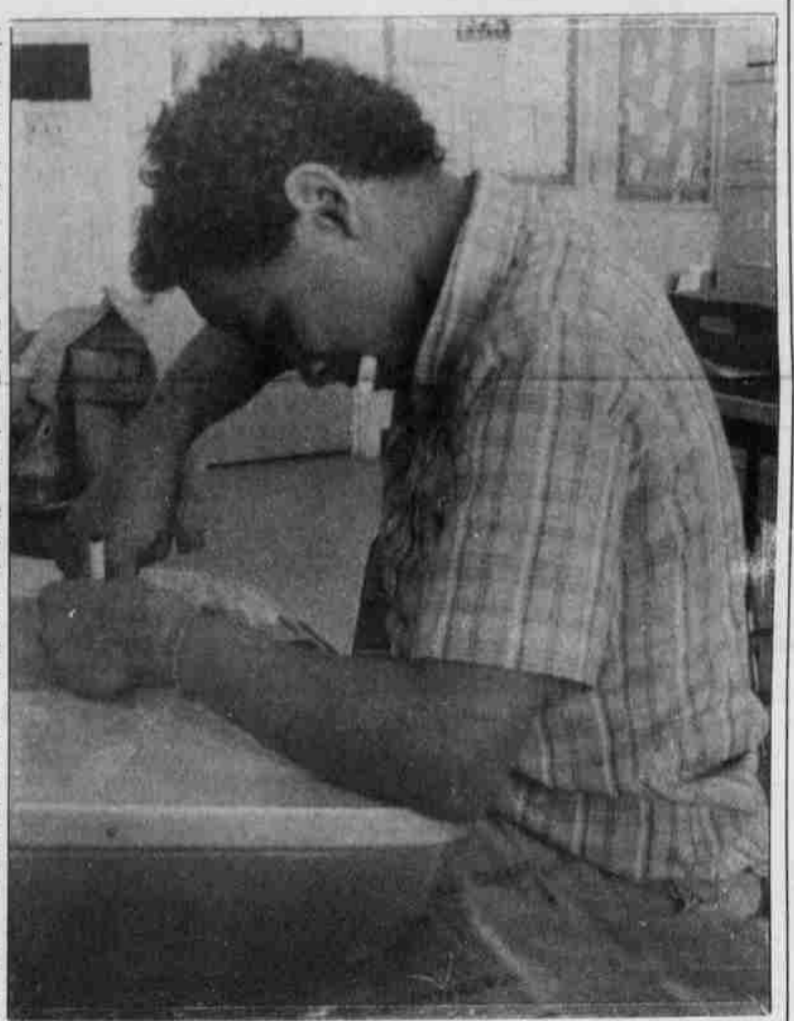
The uniqueness of the many cultures that form the background of students are currently being emphasized in discussions and projects at Buff Elementary. A Cultural Fair, February 25, will provide an opportunity for students to share their family and cultural histories with community members.

Students dig into their own background and work with their families to prepare an exhibit for the fair. They get to "show off who they are," says acting principal Bill Cordill.

But the fair is not the culmination of the year-long program called Project Reach. Teachers in sixth grade classes will show slides of the exhibits in the spring and students will further discuss their own cultures and the cultures of their fellow students as well. During this time, says Cordill, they will be learning to accept their own cultures and that of others.

Project Reach is in its second year at Buff Elementary. Sixth grade students are the participants because this a transition year for them. This is the first year all the district students come together and it is a good time for students to learn about culture, says Cordill.

By the end of the year, he explains, students will have a better understanding of culture. He feels Project Reach is an excellent program and will definitely remain a part of the school's curriculum in the future.



Lamar Jackson works on his Cultural Fair project.

Diplomas available for adults

Central Oregon Community College offers coursework towards a high school diploma. There are three ways to earn that treasured diploma.

To earn a high school diploma an adult learner can 1. take classes at the COCC Learning Center; 2. take classes at COCC, or, 3. combine classes with life experience credit.

To begin coursework a student must be at least 18 years of age. He or she must have transcripts from any high schools or colleges attended.

To earn a diploma 21 units of credit in the areas required by the State department of Education must be achieved. The adult learner must pass competency tests in math, english and reading.

Also, adult high school diploma courses at a COCC Learning Center must be completed. Credits may, also, be completed by taking COCC Community Education courses, other COCC classes or through life experience credit.

An option for the Adult High School Diploma for mature adults is offered through a life experience assessment. Adults can receive adult high school credit for knowledge and skills acquired through verified life experience.

For more information call COCC at 382-6112 or toll free at 1-800-422-3041. Information may also be obtained from local COCC Learning Centers in Madras, 475-2136 or Warm Springs at 553-1428.

Celebration scheduled—(Continued from page 6)

- 12:00 Noon Feast-Agency Longhouse
- M.C.—Michael Clements & Dennis Karnopp
- Welcome—Bridgett Kalama—Miss Warm Springs-Welcome Dance/Comments
- Cake & Song—50th Anniversary & Oregon Statehood
- Nelson Wallulatum—Agency District Chief
- Rita Squiemphen—Agency District/Sidwalter
- Area Councilwoman
- Bruce Brunoe, Sr.—Agency District & 2nd Vice Chairman
- Zane Jackson—Agency District & Chairman
- Break—Ten Minutes
- Federal Government Representatives—
- Bernard Topash—Warm Springs Agency Superintendent
- Stan Speaks—Area Director
- Vernon Peterson—Attorney at Law
- George Dysart—Attorney at Law
- Carl Shaw—Director Public Affairs—BIA Washington, D.C.—representing Ross Swimmer-Assistant Secretary of the Interior
- Presentation of Awards & Gifts—Jeff Sanders, Sr., and Nelson Wallulatum
- Introduction of Agency District Senior Citizens
- Historical Comments—
- Delbert Frank, Sr.—1st Vice-Chairman, Simnasho District
- Bernice Mitchell—Former Councilwoman Agency District
- Dan Macy—Macy's Department Store, Warm Springs
- State of Oregon Representatives
- Justice Wallace P. Carson, Jr.—Oregon Supreme Court
- David Frohnmayr—Oregon General
- Floyd McKay—Communication Director for Governor Neil Goldschmidt
- William Gary—Deputy Attorney General
- Maria Rae—Administrative Assistant to Oregon Attorney General
- Vic Atiyeh—Former Governor of the State of Oregon
- Other V.I.P.s & Tribal Representatives
- Mark A Merclier, Grand Ronde Tribal Council Chairman

- Entertainment—Wasco Dancers—Nelson Wallulatum
- Agency Longhouse Group—Tribal Dances
- Hoop Dance—Jimmy Macy
- Closing Remarks—Michael Clements & Dennis Karnopp
- Flag Song & Victory Song—Arthur Mitchell Drum
- Retirement of Colors—VFW & Auxiliary
- Recess
- Simnasho Longhouse**
- Sunday, February 14, 1988**
- 6:00 a.m. Breakfast—Available at both Longhouses
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- Invocation/Comments—Matilda Mitchell & Interpreter
- 12:00 Noon Dinner—Simnasho Longhouse
- Opening Remarks—M.C.—Rudy Clements & Jim Noteboom
- Welcome/Comments—
- Consuelo Daniels—Miss 1987 Lincoln's Birthday Powwow Queen
- Happy Birthday—Cake & Song for Sweetheart Day, and Lincoln's Birthday
- Delvis Heath—Simnasho District Chief
- Olney Patt, Sr.—Simnasho District
- Delbert Frank, Sr.—Simnasho District & Vice Chairman
- Janice Clements—Simnasho District Councilwoman
- Historical Comments—Delbert Frank, Sr., and Ellen Squiemphen
- Introduction of Simnasho District Senior Citizens
- Presentation of Awards and Gifts—Madeleine McInturff and Delvis Heath
- Introductions of visiting Tribal Representatives & V.I.P.s
- Closing Remarks—Rudy Clements & Jim Noteboom
- Adjournment**



Before emergence as a butterfly in the Butterfly Dance, a young girl hides in her cocoon. Mini-powwow held Wednesday, February 3 provided an opportunity for Early Childhood Education students to practice their dancing.

"Thank you for coming and celebrating with us. Have a safe journey home and a successful year."