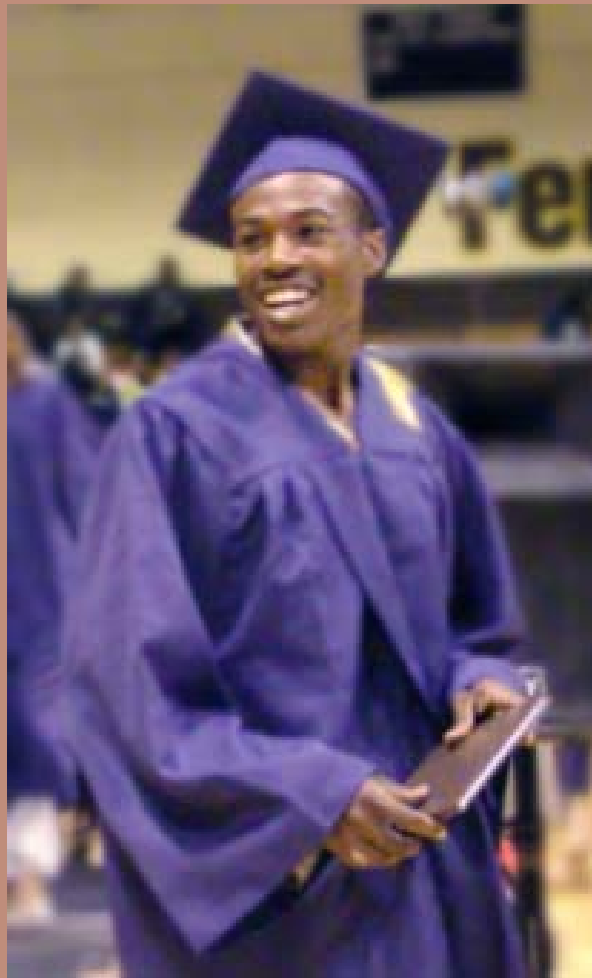


EARN YOUR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

STUDENTS AGES 16-19



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MAKE THEM PROUD

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE:

TAKE THE FIRST STEP TOWARD YOUR SUCCESSFUL FUTURE

As a Ferndale diploma graduate, you will be ready to enter the world of work, the college or technical training program of your choice, or serve your country as part of the armed forces. A high school diploma will make you more marketable, give you better chances for job promotion, help you succeed at landing job interviews, and give you better chances to earn a high salary in the future.

WHAT'S IT WORTH TO YOU?

According to the 2000 US Census Bureau, among working adults, the average annual earnings increased by \$4,000 to \$8,000 for those who had earned their high school diploma. Another serious consideration is the recent reduction in State of Michigan funding for General Educational Development (GED) test preparation programs for anyone over 20. If you wait to take a GED test until after age 20, finding free classes could be difficult or impossible. Don't wait, call today.

FERNDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA PROGRAM

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL
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MAKE YOURSELF PROUD





**ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL ~
A SECOND CHANCE FOR
16-19-YEAR-OLD-STUDENTS**

- **Work** with caring teachers who have many years of experience in the classroom.
- **Strengthen** academic skills
- **Set** and reach your personal goals
- **Explore** educational and career choices
- **Choose** from classes offered at convenient times: Morning, Afternoon and Evening
- **Save** your money for college or job training. Through Ferndale Alternative Education you can earn your high school diploma FREE. This program is offered free to any student between ages 16 and 19 (Under 20 as of September 1 of the current school year) who has not yet earned a high school diploma. Students may be residents of Oakland, Wayne, Livingston, or Macomb Counties.
- **Prepare** for your future in the:
 - Job Market
 - College Program of Your Choice
 - Armed Forces Service



CONVENIENT CLASS SCHEDULES

The Alternative Education Program operated by Ferndale Adult Education will work with you to meet your scheduling and class selection needs. The program even includes child care to allow young parents to attend classes.

Students may choose any combination of four classes per day between 8:30 am and 9:45 pm. If you are working, you will be able to choose your classes around your work schedule.

STUDENT LIFE, GETTING INVOLVED

As a Ferndale Alternative Education student, you will have many chances to get involved in community service activities and fundraisers through Student Council. Students have opportunities to attend college fairs that have been very successful in helping students select their future path.

In the past, students have participated in a canned food drive and a Thanksgiving luncheon, field day and picnics. The biggest event has been the Senior Dinner-Dance held the week before graduation for all of graduating seniors.

The highlight of every school year is Graduation in the spring, with parents, family and friends joining successful students in celebrating earning their diploma. More than 240 students graduate from the Ferndale Alternative Education program every year.



HERE IT IS: YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO EARN YOUR DIPLOMA

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA COURSES

All courses we offer meet diploma requirements.

The focus of Ferndale Alternative Education is to teach students to apply their knowledge in many situations to achieve success. Core curriculum classes include English, Science, Math, Social Studies, and Spanish classes. Our outstanding technology classes give students opportunities to learn valuable career skills, including Graphic Arts, Web Page Design and E-Commerce.

- COMPUTER APPLICATIONS
- ECONOMICS
- EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS
- ENGLISH
- GOVERNMENT

- GRAPHIC ARTS
- HISTORY
- KEYBOARDING
- MATH
- SCIENCES



TEACHERS & STAFF WHO CARE ABOUT YOUR SUCCESS

Class sizes are small, so teachers can answer your questions and meet your needs. In addition to skilled and caring teachers, students benefit

from a full range of student support services, including on-staff counselors, social workers, and a student mentoring program.

SCHOOL YEAR 2003 – 2004 VOCATIONAL TRAINING CLASSES

Computer Office Prep – Learn the software and computer skills you'll need to seek employment in professional offices.

Computer Graphic Arts – Learn a wide range of computer-based graphic arts and photographic skills and gain entry-level skills for employment in visual media, newspaper and other print production houses.

Computer Hardware Repair – These A+ Certification classes prepare students for professional positions in certified hardware repair. This technological skill is highly regarded within the business community.

Construction Trades – Students participate in this hands-on building program by partnering with Habitat for Humanity and building new homes for families in need. Participate in the entire process from foundation through turning the key to a new house. Students can find employment immediately upon completion of the program.

Medical First Responder (EMT) – Students are trained and prepared for immediate hire upon completion of their training in the field of emergency medicine. Students prepare for the state test/certification, so after successful completion, they may begin an exciting career.

Medical Office Assistant – Learn medical front office skills for employment in medical facilities. Students become acquainted with direct care of patients, medical records, and general daily medical office practices.

Phlebotomy – Learn to work in medical facilities where blood is drawn for tests. There is a great shortage of workers in this field, and students move directly into employment upon completion.

Web Page Development – Prepare for a job in developing and maintaining web pages.



CHECKLIST FOR EASY ENROLLING

- High School Transcripts
- Picture I.D. (a driver's license)
- Birth Certificate
- Immunization Records (up-to-date and including Hepatitis B)
 - Call your County Health Department for free* immunizations
 - Oakland County 248/858-1305
 - Detroit City 313/876-4333
 - * Macomb County 586/573-2090, Warren
 - * Minimal fees charged for immunizations here.
- Child Care Information, if registering with children *(see Child Care for Teen Parents below)*

CHILD CARE FOR TEEN PARENTS

Child Care for your children while you're in class.

- Educational preschool
- Certified preschool and child care staff
- Daytime students: Child Care is provided for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years
- To register for child care, bring each child's immunization records and health forms.

LOCATIONS: EASY ACCESS

Classes are offered at three sites: Taft Education Center just north of Eight Mile Road in Ferndale, Jefferson Center in Oak Park, and Crossroads Campus on Northland Drive in Southfield. SMART bus lines run near each location, and all have free parking.

IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN THIS BROCHURE, PLEASE PASS IT ON.



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