



**CHALDEAN COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**

CCF Educational Program



Support provided through the State of Michigan K12 budget (\$1.25m)

The Chaldean Community Foundation has utilized K12 funding to provide services in four sectors: Early Childhood language and literacy skills, English as a second language instruction, GED preparation, and Workforce Development.

To expand early childhood learning opportunities and improve early literacy achievement, CCF's **Early Childhood** program focuses on children ages 3 - 5 years old. The 3-year-old preschool instruction focuses on phonological awareness, hand and body motion for communication, stimulation, verbal language interaction, letter names and sounds, and how to monitor language development. The 4- and 5-year-old preschool instruction focuses on dramatic play, read aloud, phonemic awareness, vocabulary, letter names and sounds, writing, conversation, and promoting literacy. **90 preschoolers are enrolled with more than 200 on a waitlist.**

CCF **GED Instruction** helps to increase high school graduation rates for new Americans and

assist with diploma acquisition. Class format is in person with instructor and students also have online access to the Essential Education GED platform for use after class. **100 students are enrolled in GED instructions per year.**

CCF's **English as a Second Language** instruction focuses on Basic, Beginner, and Intermediate level English. Students are pre-tested using CASAS Life and Skills Reading test to determine entrance level. **90 students are enrolled in ESL instruction per year.**

CCF's **Workforce Development** programming focuses on post-secondary education. Fields include healthcare, cosmetology, and driving. Workforce soft skills are also taught each semester for those in the Workforce Development program. **Several hundred students participate in these programs annually.**

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