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Crowder College Adult Education and Literacy (AEL) Graduation

NEOSHO, MO - Four of the Crowder College McDonald County AEL graduates received their High School Equivalency Certificates during the graduation ceremony, June 7, 2013, on the Crowder College campus in Neosho, MO. The McDonald County AEL Instructors are Karen Almeter (Noel and Southwest City), Shelby Philip (Noel) and Maribeth Rakes (Jane). The McDonald County class sites pictured are three of 12 Adult Education and Literacy class sites in the Crowder College AEL Program.

In line with the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education all programs across the state, including Crowder College Adult Education and Literacy, will soon be moving away from the 2002 paper/pencil GED®/High School Equivalency test. Crowder AEL will begin helping people prepare to take a new computer-based test in 2014.

For those who wish to take the current version of the test before January, GED applications are due to DESE no later than September 1, 2013. The test takers who attempted the test, but did not successfully complete, the application is due to DESE by November 4, 2013. Applications currently require a \$20 payment. The application form and instructions may be downloaded and printed at www.hse.mo.gov An additional fee of \$20 must be paid to the testing center when registering for the test.

For information about Jane and Southwest City AEL enrollment dates contact the Crowder College AEL office at 455-5521. For information about Noel AEL enrollment dates contact the class site at 475-6928. For more information about the new high school equivalency test please contact Crowder College AEL Director, Juli DeNisco at 417-455-5521 or julidenisco@crowder.edu

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Jane Class Site: Brandon Leach and AEL Instructor Maribeth Rakes



Noel Class Site: AEL Instructor Shelby Philip and Michelle Barganier



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Southwest City/Noel Class Sites: Yesenia Ortiz (Southwest City), AEL Instructor
Karen Almeter, and Toni Bittner (Noel)