



Learner Yosselyne with tutor/board member David Williams

Spring into Literacy - April 1 - April 30th

This spring, we begin with heartfelt thanks to our donors. Because of the continued support of individuals, foundations, and community partners, EYLE remains strong and is able to respond to growing learner needs.

This trust helps bring new supporters to our work and ensures every dollar goes where it matters most.

Thanks to this support, we have been able to offer:

- Extended hours
- Small-group computer basics classes (in-person)



- Free workshops that focus on: academic success, digital skills, life and money skills, & work-ready skills
- Learning disability assessments
- Employment certificate support

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Stay tuned for the launch of our April campaign.

Your support removes barriers to learning, fostering education, confidence, and opportunity.

Community News

Thank you to all our learners who took the time out to fill in our Student Survey.

Learners love in-person tutoring and small classes. They asked for more flexible online sessions for general skill building as their needs are diverse and they have busy schedules.

They are also eager for more in-depth, in-person opportunities in areas like computer skills, reading and resume writing.

Stay tuned for our next phase of online workshops launching in April. For updates, please visit our [website](#).



Digital Literacy Programming

Thanks to the generous support of Ecclesiastical Insurance's Community Impact Grant, we are expanding our digital literacy programming to meet growing learner demand.

Building on our Computer Basics course, we will be offering a Level Two computer skills course, shorter online workshops building our in-person courses, and a pop up computer cafe.



POP-UP COMPUTER CAFE

We are piloting our first computer cafe **April 16th from 1-4**. Registration is required as computers and space are limited. To register click [here](#) or give us a call.

Impact Snapshot

We're proud to exceed provincial targets again!

- Customer Satisfaction
- Learner Progress
- Learners Served
- Service Coordination

This year, so far, we have offered:

- **800+ hours** of 1:1 tutoring
- **1,000+** volunteer hours
- **2** online workshops
- **1** in-person computer skills course





April 2026 EYLE Tutor Event

Wednesday April 15th 6:30 - 8:30

This event is facilitated by tutors/board members Susan Bishop and David Williams at our EYLE offices. This is an opportunity to discuss ideas and solutions to some shared challenges that EYLE tutors have experienced.

This evening will be a mix of facilitated discussions and casual networking. A light dinner and refreshments will be served.

If you are joining us, please register [here](#) so we know how many to expect.

Call for Computer Tutors!

Volunteer with Carolyn and Amanda at our Pop-up Computer Cafe (we're A LOT of fun!)

We are looking for 2 tutors who are available for part of all of that time slot who would like to run the pop up.

Learners will:

- * Have laptops available for use on site
- * Get help with computers, tablets and smartphones
- * Guidance on email, online forms, social media and Office apps

Please email your interest to carolyn@eastyorklearningexperience.ca

Annual Members' Meeting - Hold the Date!

Wednesday September 16th 6:30 - 8:30

Our Annual Members meeting will be held in September this year. Registration opens in August.

Call for EYLE Board Members!

The Governance Committee is putting a call out for new nominees to serve on the EYLE Board. We welcome expressions of interest from individuals who:

- Are current tutors and learners
- Can commit to a two-year term
- Are interested in supporting the organization's governance and growth

Serving on the Board is a meaningful way to contribute your experience, help shape our direction, and support our learners and programs. If interested, please reach out to carolyn@eastyorklearningexperience.ca



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Chris's Story

Chris came to EYLE in 2024 looking for some assistance in navigating government forms. There were changes coming to the way in which he had to deal with the government and that meant filling out forms. Chris was looking for a level of comfort in filling out those forms that would allow him to be confident his needs would be taken care of.

Initially we tackled the specific form that Chris would need to complete. Within a few sessions, Chris was able to understand how to fill out that form and what its implications were. But his thirst for learning had been piqued. Chris's formal education had ended many decades ago and it had not prepared him satisfactorily for some of the basic skills to thrive in our society. Reading and math were two areas he wanted to explore. So a plan was set out for him in those fields. Over the next two years, Chris has worked diligently on learning the basics in both reading and math.

With weekly sessions, he moved to ever more sophisticated levels of understanding. In some math areas, Chris had a good handle on what the answer was. It was very intuitive to him. What he needed to understand was the mathematical route to getting to the right answer. So we have worked through exercises that allow him to see those mathematical routes.

He now looks forward to tackling a new set of exercises involving fractions and decimals, division and multiplication of fractions and decimals each week. And he comes to each session proud of his accomplishments and eager to share them with his tutor.

Thank you for reading!



**EYLE'S OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY MARCH 16TH – FRIDAY MARCH 20TH**

WE REOPEN MONDAY, MARCH 23RD 2026



We have updated our emails.
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