

Emily on Enjoying Learning at the Worcester Adult Learning Center

Ever since I got here, I think I've grown a lot confidence-wise. This is the first year in school that I've ever actually sat in front of class and participated in the conversation, and all that. I think the dynamic here really helps with that. I think that if you're kind of shy and stuff, it, it's a very welcome place for you.

My name is Emily Millott. I'm from Worcester, Massachusetts, and I'm a student here at the Worcester Adult Learning Center. My main goal is to get to college so that I can find stability in a job I really love someday.

What got me interested in coming back to school was I want to keep growing further. I want to keep pushing myself to see what I can actually do. So, back during the summer, I started looking into classes and I found some HiSET classes here at the Worcester Adult Learning Center. I said "Why not?"

When you come here, a lot of people are nervous to be here because they're restarting their education, and when you're restarting your education, honestly, it's kind of scary because you don't know how it's gonna go. You don't know how much you've retained. And, as long as you put in the effort and try and try to adjust your mindset to take in the things that you need to take in, I think everyone here can do very, very well.

At the moment here, I think my favorite subject has to be math. I'm not usually a math person, but I have a really, really awesome teacher there. He's the first person to ever be able to teach me algebra successfully.

I think what helps me here the most, I think it's the dynamic they've created. They've created a dynamic where students can ask other students for help, and they can also ask teachers, and they make sure that everyone gets the individual help that they need to get where they want to go. I think it's really cool that they all have a common interest, everyone here, to get everyone, to get their HiSET, to get everyone in the best place possible.

Every student you're in your class with has a story of how they've got there, and I think that listening to them and learning from them is probably the best thing you can do for yourself, because they all have something important to say.

Yeah, I'm looking forward to the future.

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