Howard County Library System’s
Adult Education Initiative
HCLS Project Literacy

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Adult Education

- Adult Basic Education (ABE)
- Adult Secondary Education (ASE)
- Correctional Education (CE)
- English as a Second Language (ESL)
HCLS Project Literacy

Funding

Students

Instruction

Assessment

Staffing

Curriculum

Howard County Library System
STOCKS PLUNGE 508 POINTS, A DROP OF 22.6%;
604 MILLION VOLUME NEARLY DOUBLES RECORD

U.S. Ships Shell
Iran Installation
In Gulf Reprisal

Offshore Target Termed
a Base for Gunboats

By STEVEN V. ROBERTS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19 - United
States naval forces struck back at Iran
today for attacks on American-registered
vessels and other Persian Gulf
mapping by shelling two connected oil-
platforms.

A Huge Blow to the Five-Year Bull Market

Dow's Record Fall

Yesterday's close was down 22.5
percent from Friday's close.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which has been
steadily rising since August 1982, began a dramatic
fall last week that continued through yesterday when
it closed at 1,700.74. Brown, Weekly close of the
Dow.

WORLDWIDE IMPACT

Frenzied Trading Raises
Fears of Recession —
Tape 2 Hours Late

By LAWRENCE J. DE MARIA

Stock market prices plunged in a
panic-filled wave of selling yesterday,
posing Wall Street its worst day in his-
tory and raising immediate recessions.

The Dow Jones industrial average,
considered a benchmark of the
market's health, plummeted a record 500
Founded in 1987

- Managed by one Library Staff
- All Volunteer Based
- Literacy & High School Diploma
MICHAEL S. HYATT

Author of the New York Times Bestseller
The Millennium Bug

The Y2K Personal Survival Guide

You know the Y2K threat is real, and less than a year away... But DON'T PANIC. Here's everything you need to survive. Simply

- Assess your preparedness and see what you must do to protect yourself and your family, then
- Follow the step-by-step Preparation Checklist in each chapter—so nothing is left to chance

PLUS:

- Hundreds of resources for finding the emergency supplies you need
- Contingency plans whether the crisis lasts for 72 hours, 30 days, 3 months, or 1 year

There's still time, but you must get started now. This book provides the simple, comprehensive plan you need to survive the coming crisis.
HCLS Project Literacy in Y2K

- Funding
- Staffing
- Curriculum
- Assessment
- Instruction
- Students
Public Libraries = Education

SELF-DIRECTED EDUCATION
- Books, etc.
- E-resources

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE & INSTRUCTION
- Individual
- Group

INSTRUCTIVE & ENLIGHTENING EXPERIENCES
- Community/Cultural Center
- Signature Initiatives
- Partnerships
What is HCLS Project Literacy?

A: A dating service
B: A private educational program contractor
C: The adult education initiative of the Howard County Library System
When was HCLS Project Literacy founded?

A: 1967
B: 1987
C: 2000
Moving on - Crucial Elements

- Funding
- Staffing
- Curriculum
- Assessment
- Instruction
- Students

Howard County Library System
• DLLR: Annual grant
• Friends of HCLS
• Judith Cohn Foundation
• Gene Klein Scholarship
• Private donors
Educational Triad

Curriculum

Assessment  Instruction
Curriculums

- Life-Skills English
- High School Diploma
  - GED or NEDP
- English Literacy & Civics
21 Contractual positions
  • One Instructional Specialist
  • One Intake/Assessment Specialist
  • 15 Instructional Staff
  • 4 Support Staff
  40+ Trained Volunteer Tutors

Education:
  ▪ 100% Bachelor’s degree
  ▪ 60% Master’s Degree
Two-Prong Approach

Instruction

Tutoring
- One-on-One
- Small Group

Classroom
Students

- Annual enrollment: 400
- Average Education: 8 Years
- 39 Countries; 27 Languages
- 25-55 years old
- 97% in Entry Level Jobs
Eligibility

• 16 years or older

• Not enrolled in a school

• Didn’t finish high school

• Live or work in Howard County
SINCE 1987

- 7800 students
- 157 high school graduates
- 136 U.S. Citizens
- 45% Improved a Federal Reporting Level in FY13
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