



SKILLS TRAINING CLASS SCHEDULE: FALL 2026

To schedule a placement test, email careers@goodwillnwno.org.
Visit www.goodwillnwno.org for the latest schedule, classes, and locations.

HEALTHCARE

Day	Start Time	End Time	Start Date	End Date
Certified Electronic Health Records Specialist (CEHRS)	Online	Asynchronous	08/18/2026	11/15/2026
Nurse Assistant I	M/T/W	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.	TBA	
Nurse Assistant I - Refresher	M/T/W/TH	5 p.m. - 9 p.m.	TBA	
Pharmacy Assistant	T/TH	6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	09/01/2026	10/22/2026
Veterinary Assistant Training	T/TH	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	08/25/2026	12/15/2026

SERVICE INDUSTRY

Culinary Arts Certification	M/T/W/TH/F	8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	08/31/2026	10/09/2026
Culinary Arts Certification	M/T/W/TH/F	8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	10/12/2026	12/03/2026
Culinary Arts Certification	M/T/W/TH/F	8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.	11/30/2026	01/29/2027

OFFICE TECHNOLOGY

Essential Computer Skills for Beginners	M/W	1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	09/30/2026	11/09/2026
Google AI Essentials	M/W	1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	09/14/2026	09/28/2026
Artificial Intelligence I	-----	Online	10/21/2026	12/18/2026
Intro to Microsoft Excel	M/W	1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	11/16/2026	12/16/2026

TRADE SKILLS

Basic Construction	M/T/W/TH	8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	TBA	
Distribution & Logistics Management	Varies	9:15 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.	09/14/2026	12/10/2026
HVAC Svc Tech L2	M/W	5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.	08/31/2026	12/16/2026
HVAC Svc Tech L1 & L2	M/T/W/TH	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.	On hold	
Electrical Installation/Troubleshooting	M/W	6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	08/17/2026	12/14/2026
Electrical Lineman	M/T/W/TH	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	09/14/2026	12/03/2026
Facility Maintenance Technician	M/T/W/TH/F	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	On hold	
Forklift Training	M/T/W/TH/F	9 a.m. - 2 p.m.	10/12/2026	10/16/2026
Truck Driving Training	M/T/W/TH	7 a.m. - 5 p.m.	4 Weeks	Ongoing
Welding: Basics & Beyond	T/TH	6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	08/18/2026	12/15/2026
Welding: Industrial	M/T/W/TH	12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	08/18/2026	12/10/2026

OTHER COURSES

Intro to Early Childhood Education	-----	Online	Asynchronous	08/17/2026	10/12/2026
Intro to Early Childhood Education	-----	Online	Asynchronous	10/21/2026	12/18/2026



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Goodwill Industries of Northwest North Carolina
Forsyth County Workforce Development Center
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336-724-3621 | www.goodwillnwno.org

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance is available for qualified individuals through Goodwill’s Outreach Scholarship Fund.
For an application, call 336-724-3625 ext.11380 or email careers@goodwillnwn.org.



HEALTHCARE

NURSING ASSISTANT I Teaches basic nursing skills required to provide personal care for patients, residents, the elderly, or others requiring medical assistance in a healthcare setting. Emphasis is placed on the aging process, communications, patient safety, patient’s rights, personal care, vital signs, elimination, nutrition, emergencies, rehabilitation, and mental health. CPR certification is included in the class. Through classroom instruction, laboratory work and clinical rotations, you are prepared to take the NC Nurse Aide I Competency Evaluation. Passing this evaluation leads to being listed on the NC Nurse Aide I Registry. Prerequisites: Successful completion of Math and Reading placement tests (or equivalent approved by Health Education Department), a picture ID, Social Security Card, a High School Diploma/GED/transcript, or College Diploma/transcript are required. You must also attend an orientation session and present receipts from the criminal background check and drug screening before you will be allowed to register for class. Fees: \$255 + cost of books and supplies. Duration: 12 weeks to 18 weeks depending on day or evening classes.

NURSING ASSISTANT II Must provide documentation of current Nurse Aide I listing in the state registry of NC, Anatomy and Physiology. Classroom, lab and clinical learning experiences prepare graduates to perform more complex skills for patients or residents regardless of their setting. Entrance Criteria: Minimum of 10th grade reading level, demonstration of appropriate work behaviors, high school diploma/GED, and a letter of recommendation from an RN who has acted as a supervisor. Fees: \$253 + books and supplies. Duration: 12 weeks.

PHARMACY ASSISTANT Introduces students to the work of entry-level employees in a retail pharmacy. You will learn drug regulation and control, pharmaceutical terminology, medications, and their uses and applied math. Use this course to start your path to becoming a Certified Pharmacy Technician. Prerequisite: High School Diploma or GED. Fees: \$135 + cost of book. Duration: 8 weeks.

VETERINARY ASSISTANT Embark on a fulfilling journey into the world of animal care with our Veterinary Assistant courses at Forsyth Tech Community College. In partnership with industry experts, we offer comprehensive training that equips you with the skills and knowledge needed to assist veterinarians and contribute to the well-being of animals. Fees: \$190.00 + cost of book. Duration: 16 weeks.

CERTIFIED ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD SPECIALIST (CEHRS) The Certified Electronic Health Record Specialist (CEHRS) is offered 100% online using the Blackboard learning management system. This course prepares students to manage and maintain electronic health records (EHR) in various healthcare settings. Students will learn how to navigate EHR systems, ensure accurate documentation, support patient data management, and comply with healthcare regulations. This course aligns with industry standards and prepares students for the National Health career Association (NHA) CEHRS certification exam. Fees: \$190.00 + cost of books. Duration: 16 weeks. For more information about additional requirements, enrollment information, and course schedule please contact 336-734-7023



SERVICE INDUSTRY

CULINARY ARTS CERTIFICATION Offered in partnership with Providence Culinary Training. Provides instruction and certification in ServSafe sanitation, basic culinary skills, knife skills, kitchen safety, mass food production and “cook chill” technology. Hands-on training experience, a 1-week internship, and job placement assistance are included in this curriculum. Fee: \$390. Duration: 12 weeks.



OFFICE TECHNOLOGY

ESSENTIAL COMPUTER SKILLS FOR BEGINNERS Build essential digital and AI skills for using computers, smartphone, and tablets confidently. This course provides adult learners with foundational digital literacy skills needed for everyday tasks and workplace readiness. Instruction covers computer and mobile device basics, Microsoft Word, file management, internet navigation, online safety, email, and an introduction to Artificial Intelligence tools. The course emphasizes confidence-building, practical application, and step-by-step skill development. Fee: \$80.00, Duration: 6 weeks.

GOOGLE AI ESSENTIALS Build foundational AI knowledge and skills for safe, effective, and responsible use in everyday life and workplace settings. This course provides adult learners with an introduction to artificial intelligence (AI) and generative AI for everyday and workplace use. Instruction covers AI basics, productivity applications, prompt writing, responsible AI practices, and strategies for staying current with evolving tools. The course emphasizes practical application, ethical awareness, and confidence in using AI to support real-world task. Fee: \$80.00, Duration: 2 ½ weeks.

INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT EXCEL Build essential Excel skill for creating, analyzing, and presenting data effectively. This course provides adult learners with foundational spreadsheet skills for workplace tasks and personal organization. Instruction covers Excel navigation, data entry, formatting, formulas, functions, charts, and printing. Learners build confidence through hands-on practice and step-by-step skill development using real-world examples. The course is taught using Microsoft Excel for Microsoft 365, ensuring access to the latest features and cloud-based tools. Fee: \$80.00. Duration: 4 weeks.



OTHER COURSES

INTRO TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION This course introduces the foundations of early childhood education, the diverse educational settings for young children, professionalism, and planning intentional developmentally appropriate experiences for each child. Topics include theoretical foundations, national early learning standards, NC Foundations for Early Learning and Development, state regulations, program types, career options, professionalism, ethical conduct, quality inclusive environments, and curriculum responsive to the needs of each child/family. Upon completion, students should be able to design a career/professional development plan, and appropriate environments, schedules, and activity plans. Prerequisites: None. Credits: 4

DISTRIBUTION AND LOGISTICS MANAGEMENT Discover this innovative 12-week Distribution and Logistics Management program, a unique collaboration with Forsyth Tech, Goodwill Industries, and Second Harvest Food Bank. Students will be equipped with practical skills for immediate employment and provide a stepping stone for further education. To learn more contact Forsyth Tech Community College at 336-734-7718.



TRADE SKILLS

WELDING: BASICS AND BEYOND Have you ever wanted to learn how to weld? You are not alone; welding is used in thousands of ways from creating art to building spaceships! Its origins go back to ancient times, and welding is an exciting and rewarding process. Whether you are an artist, a weekend warrior, or curious about welding as a career, in this introductory course you will learn various welding methods and techniques such as GMAW (MIG), GTAW (TIG), and SMAW (stick). You will also learn about different types of welding equipment, basic welding safety, and the use of various tools to prepare metals for welding. This course is geared for the beginner, but all skill levels are welcome. Fee: \$190.

BASIC CONSTRUCTION SKILLS Provides instruction in the principles of residential and light commercial construction from the planning and beginning stages all the way to a completed structure. Course covers HRD, NC State Building Codes, OSHA Construction Safety, and blue print reading. Classroom and hands-on training will include electrical and plumbing rough-ins, house framing, exterior siding, drywall installation, interior trim, and many other aspects of building construction. Fee: \$220. Duration: 12 weeks.

ELECTRICAL LINEMAN Designed to train students for entry-level electrical line work for private and public utility companies. Students will learn academic and field skills. Program is approved for national certification by the National Center for Construction Education and Research and for Pre-Apprentice credit by the NC Community College System and the Department of Labor. Fees: \$279 + books and additional supplies. Duration: 9 weeks.

ELECTRICAL: INSTALLATION & TROUBLESHOOTING Introductory class in the repair and installation of electrical systems. Exposes students to basic residential electrical circuits and components and includes lecture and hands-on training. Fee: \$210. Duration: 18 weeks.

FACILITY MAINTENANCE TECH Introduces students to maintenance training in Carpentry, Electrical, HVAC, and Plumbing. Upon completion of this course, students will be certified in HVAC, EPA Refrigerant (CFC), Licensed Aquatic Facility Technician (LAFT), and OSHA 10. Prerequisite: Acceptable TABE scores in reading and math, and a strong mechanical aptitude. Interested students should call and schedule an interview with the Program Director only after completing the TABE assessment. Fees: \$273 + cost of tests. Duration: 12 weeks.

FORKLIFT Training in the safe and proper operations of powered industrial trucks. Emphasis on safety in the workplace. Upon completion, students will receive an Operator’s Permit and Certificate of Completion. Fee: \$165. Duration: 5 days.

HVAC 1 & 2 Students will complete eight subjects over two semesters to earn a HVAC Service Technician Certificate. Upon completion, students should be able to assist/perform basic service or maintenance on residential & light commercial applications. Fee: \$260. Duration: 12 weeks.

INDUSTRIAL WELDING Course provides introduction to welding and safety, power tools, MIG, ARC & TIG welding, blueprint reading, industrial math, and basic drafting. Fee: \$270. Duration: 16 weeks.

MIG WELDING Metal Inert Gas welding is a sub-type of ARC welding. Students will operate electric power source welding machines with handheld wire feed units. Studies will include power sources, types of wire electrodes, and shielding gases. Welding will be performed on mild steel in flat, horizontal, and vertical positions. Fee: \$230. Duration: 18 weeks.

TIG WELDING Students will operate AC-DC transformer type welding machines. Studies will include heat ranges, polarities, and the use of wire electrodes and shielding gases. Welding will be performed on mild steel and aluminum in flat, horizontal, and vertical positions. Safety will be emphasized throughout the course in the use of tools and equipment. Safety glasses are required. Prerequisite: Must have completed ARC or MIG Welding. Fee: \$230. Duration: 9 weeks.

PROFESSIONAL TRUCK DRIVING In partnership with TransTech and Winston-Salem Fairgrounds, this course includes both classroom and on-the-road training. Graduates must be willing to work in cross-country driving. For more information, call 336-682-5997 Duration: 5-6 weeks.