Where and when is it held?

The program is held at 1545 E Lake Street, in Minneapolis.

Day classes are held Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Afternoon classes: Monday through Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

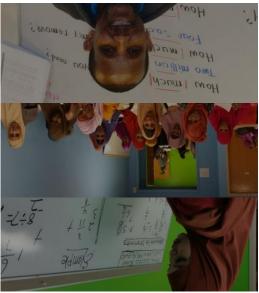
Evening classes: Monday through Thursday from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

SSS is conveniently located on the bus line. School bus transportation is available for qualified students. Free parking

For more information on the Somali Success School, call Bobette Beckford or Abdinur Ali at (612) 338-3153.









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# **About us**

The Somali Success School (SSS) is designed to increase the literacy, math and living skills, as well as the wage potential of local Somalis enrolled in the Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP). We have two divisions:

## •ESL/ Life Skills

Adults age 18 and older are placed in these free classes based on their literacy level.

Pre-literacy, basic literacy and proficient literacy classes are held concurrently. Classes are taught by bi-lingual Somalis. Each student studies English as Second Language (ESL), Basic Computer, math, living skills and sewing. Progress and completion of the program will be determined on an individual basis, accounting for individual needs, based on client's Employment Plan.

## • Citizenship Classes

Citizenship preparation: Adults who qualify for citizenship receive information that is geared towards U.S history and government. Students receives instruction that will prepare them for the written and oral portion of the U.S citizenship examination; students practice speaking English for the interview. Citizenship preparation classes are offered to students who are permanent residents of the U.S and are currently enrolled in our program.

#### • Basic Computer Classes

Regardless of their experience and position, everyone should have some level of proficiency in personal computing skills to excel in their current job and maintain their competitiveness for career advancement. From application software to operating systems to the Internet, this course library spans a wide range of skill sets and caters to a variety of interests.

#### • Cultural Brokerage Services

SSS assists businesses, employers,

school districts, healthcare providers and other stakeholders better understand, serve and market to the East African immigrant communities. Services range from Somali language and culture training sessions, to interpreting, translation, and consulting services.

## Our Job skills Participants

We provide cultural awareness, skills assessment, job readiness and transportation assistance.

# •The Employers

For employers we provide customized, on the premises ESL and skills training, pre-screening, and qualification assistance, orientation assistance, retention services, and diversity training.