

## Career Online High School

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#### What is Career Online High School?

- Career Online High School (COHS) is an **accredited fully online high school diploma program**.
- Adults earn their **high school diploma** while gaining **real-world career skills**.
- Previous **high school credits** & **GED credits** can be **transferred**.
- FREE for San Francisco residents and SFPL patrons.







#### **Key Features of COHS**

- Offers **flexibility** for adults with busy schedules.
- Provides **career certificates** in fields like childcare, office management, and more.
- Includes access to academic coaches and support.
- COHS is **competency-based** and follows a **no-fail approach**, allowing students to retake assessments as many times as necessary.
- COHS aims to **reduce educational trauma** through support, career focus, and their no-fail approach.
- Lessons are **read aloud** for students with **learning differences** or IEPs.



## History at San Francisco Public Library

- Launched: 2015.
- Goal: Help adults achieve their educational and career aspirations.





### **Program Impact**

- Graduates: More than **100** individuals have graduated since inception.
- Community Impact:
  Empowering adults, enhancing
  job opportunities, and supporting
  economic growth.









# Graduate Testimonial: Evelyn Agustin's Gratitude

"I have no words to tell you how special and motivating this celebration was."

-Evelyn Agustin





#### **Call to Action**

#### **Strategies to Increase Participation:**

- Alumni Network: Establish for mentoring and community building.
- <u>Employer Partnerships</u>: Create employment pathways with local businesses.
- <u>Community Outreach</u>: Partner with local organizations.
- Marketing Campaigns: Continue to utilize social media, local media and the library's website.



