GOAL DEFINITIONS

The Kalamazoo Literacy Council (KLC) tracks progress toward goals for each of the students it serves. Definitions for goals are listed below. It is important that you check all of the boxes that apply to your student for the quarter. Some of the boxes may be checked every quarter while some apply only to specific events. Remember to set goals with your student at the beginning of each quarter and review these goals with your student prior to completing the Quarterly Log.

Work Goals

Obtained new job: To gain a new full-time or part-time job with an employer. Self-employment does not apply unless the student officially started a business and secured a formal client.
Improved current job: To gain a promotion or some other desired position
Improved employability skills: To read for work (memos, manuals, work orders, time sheets, etc.), to improve computer skills, to achieve a specific work-based goal (earn a work certificate, complete an exam or test, etc.), to complete a resume, to complete a job search, etc.

Literacy Goals

Earned a GED or HS completion: To successfully complete the General Educational Development test (GED) or earn a high school diploma.
Entered other education and/or training: To enroll in a college, trade, other certified training program.
Advanced level(s) in curriculum series: To complete a workbook, pass one or more official GED test, obtain HS credit in a class, or pass some other academic test.
Improved score on standardized test: To improve a score on a previously taken test such as the Compass Test, GED, Work Keys, etc.

Family Goals

Increased involvement in children’s educational activities: To read to a child, visited a library with a child, help a child with homework, attended a family literacy program (Lift Up Through Literacy, 1st Saturdays at Kalamazoo Public Library, etc.).

Life Skills

Obtained driver’s license: To pass a driver’s license test and be awarded a license to drive
Obtained citizenship: To pass a citizenship test and be awarded U.S. citizenship
Increased involvement in community activities: To volunteer with an organization, participate in a march or drive, participate in fundraising activities for an organization, participate in neighborhood activities (attend a municipal or neighborhood meeting), etc.
Registered to vote/voted for the First time: (self-explanatory)
Attained consumer skills: To gain financial literacy skills (fill out budgets, bank accounts, total receipts, etc.), to make grocery lists, read consumer reviews, etc.
Attained wellness and healthy lifestyles: To participate in health fairs, read health pamphlets or books, to read and apply healthy recipes, to record health statistics for self and family.

Other Goals

Other personal goal: To achieve personal goals other than those listed above. This includes obtaining a library card, purchasing/checking out books, reading for pleasure, reading road signs or maps, etc.