

Plainville Senior Center

Computer Lab

Our Computer Lab is staffed by volunteer instructors, coaches and committee members. The courses are geared specifically for people 50 years and older.

The volunteers are seniors who make the classes friendly and supportive. The cost for taking these courses is minimal.



Those parts of the system that you can hit with a hammer (not advised) are called hardware; those program instructions that you can only curse at are called software. ~Author Unknown

Older Adults Want to Learn Computer Skills Because it Provides an Opportunity for...

-  Gaining Personal Growth
-  Meeting New People with Similar Interests
-  Staying Connected with Out-of-Town Family
-  Organizing Finances
-  Creating Newsletter and Mailing List
-  Playing Computer Games
-  Developing New Computer Skills
-  Finding a Job



Plainville Center Computer Lab



**Plainville Senior Center
200 East Street
Plainville, CT 06062
860-747-5728**

Each Class has the Following Resources:

Instructor: Instructors are trained individuals who are also seniors.

Coach: Coaches give students help when needed. Each class has two coaches

Workbook: Students receive a manual with step-by-step instructions for each of the lessons.

Student Files: Included with each lesson are examples that are used in the classroom and for practice elsewhere.

FEES

Our classes are reasonably priced depending on the course length. All course materials are included except computer software.

Some of the Courses Offered

- 🖱️ **Computer Fundamental:** the basics of operating system and control of mouse
- 🖱️ **Introduction to Computers:** Intro to word processing, spreadsheets, email and World Wide Web
- 🖱️ **Internet:** Introduction to more uses of the internet and email
- 🖱️ **Word Processing:** Covers the basics of creating, editing, printing and saving a document
- 🖱️ **Genealogy:** Using “Family Tree Maker” software, teaches how to assemble your ancestral information
- 🖱️ **Quicken:** A financial program to help in budgeting and managing resources
- 🖱️ **Digital Imaging:** Using “Picture It” Software, learn how to work with photos downloaded from a digital camera
- 🖱️ **Faces of Google:** Explores the ultimate information source
- 🖱️ **Exploring Windows XP:** Expands knowledge of latest Windows operating system

Where?

The classes are held in the Senior Center computer classroom. There is a maximum number of six students in a class, which ensures that you receive personal attention. The classes are designed to proceed at a pace that is conducive to all students. There are internet accessible computers available for all Senior Center Members to use in the lounge area of the Center.

