



North Valley News

"What defines us is how well we rise after falling."

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Approved by: Rosario Galvan, Principal

December 14, 2015



WINTER BREAK: 12/21/15—1/8/16

School Resumes: 1/11/16

MLK Holiday: 1/18/16

WASC Visit: April 18-20, 2016



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Rosario Galvan

Principals Corner

Our Focus Group meeting last week at Rinaldi was a great success! We had an excellent turnout and teachers who participated are to be commended for their wonderful contributions. Please be on the lookout for future meetings when we return from Winter break. As you know, the visiting team will be here on April 18, 2016. With your help, we'll certainly be ready.

The development of our new webpage is moving right along. We will schedule workshops to introduce the myriad of features that are built into this interactive site. The East Valley "Coffee with the Principal" was fantastic. Student Council members were very attentive and asked many questions about the future of our adult schools. Although I wasn't able to say much about our Adult Education Block Grant (AEBG), I did announce that there will be some added classes for the spring semester. AEBG is still at impasse and there has been no word on a resolution.

My best wishes to every teacher, staff member and student for the Holidays. May you spend some quality time with your family and friends. Please get some much needed rest and we will see you in January 2016!



SEASONS GREETINGS!



ACCREDITATION

We are now working on revising our Action Plan to better reflect the current needs of our school and our student learning goals. At the December 9 Focus Group Meeting we received a lot of input with suggestions/comments and steps that can be taken towards achieving our Action Plan Items.

Our new Action Plan Items are:

Action Plan Item #1

Implement schoolwide Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) to increase learner outcomes

Action Plan Item #2

Increase technology to enhance communication and student achievement of educational goals

Action Plan Item #3

Expand community partnerships to increase positive student outcomes

The Leadership Team will be working on formulating the **Action Steps** for each Action Plan Item. When we return from Winter Break there will be a survey monkey sent to all faculty and staff to review the new **Action Plan**.

CASAS/EL CIVICS

ABE Reading and Math: CASAS posttests have already been scanned and processed. Student Gains Reports were printed and distributed.

ESL: We are currently processing all CASAS test and update forms returned last week. Some student gains report will be printed and distributed this week. The rest will be ready the first week of class in January,

II Labs: CASAS post testing took place the second week of December. Only students who have not earned two payment points had to be tested. Update forms (green) will have to be completed for each student with 12 + hours of attendance whether or not they are currently enrolled.

Please direct your concerns and questions to the WIOA/CASAS team:

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(Evening at NVOC)

ESL/ACADEMIC PLC MEETING UPDATE

Both day and evening EVSC programs meet last week and participated in activities to establish their PLC group norms. Norms are the behaviors that the team members agree to that will guide professional conduct in meetings. Norms allow the meetings to stay positive, supportive, and constructive.

The PLC groups also received the College to Career Readiness Standards (CCRS) for Writing, and spent time learning how to understand the format for the English Language Arts (ELA) standards. They reviewed the three key shifts in ELA CCRS and applied those shifts while discussing one key writing standard.

In the next PLC meetings, members will be revisiting writing strategies to discuss which strategies can be implemented successfully in both ESL and academic classes to standardize the instructional approach and increase student learning gains. Check back with us after holiday break to share our latest progress.

The Professional Learning Community is part of our Action Plan and we will have PLC meetings in all departments at all sites as we move forward.

Win an iPad Cart!

In order to meet the deadline for the 2015-16 WIOA Technology and Distance Learning Plan, schools must complete their teacher and student online technology surveys by December 18, 2015. The school with the highest participation as a percentage of their enrollment will win the iPad cart. Schools need to survey at least 10% of their students enrolled in ESL, ABE, and ASE classes as well as 25% of teachers in those same program areas.

North Valley Service Area has met and surpassed minimum requirements for the WIOA student survey! Many thanks to Maura Sakhakorn and Teresa Villa for all their help this week!

Now the challenge is to try to get the most number of students surveyed (as a percentage of total enrolled students). Currently, East LA OC and Harbor have the top 2 spots. But there's still a week to go!

Mission Statement

North Valley Service Area offers educational and training opportunities that provide a diverse population of students with skills to participate more effectively in the family, at work and in the community.

NVSA TEACHER HOLIDAY SOCIALS

Administration will be hosting holiday socials for the teaching staff:

EVSC

Tuesday, 12/15/15
10:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.
Main Office.

B & G Worker Antonio Martinez who will retire at the end of the fall/winter term will be attending the **evening EVSC holiday social**. Staff are encouraged to come and wish him well before the holiday break.

NVOC

Wednesday, 12/16/15
Day & Evening break time
Main Office Conference Room

RINALDI

Wednesday, 12/16/15
10:00 a.m.
Teachers' Lounge

NHALC holiday social was held on Friday, 12/11/15 at 10:00 a.m. Staff shared treats, snacks and coffee as well as good conversation.

Thank you teachers for all you do.

You are truly appreciated by administration!



MEND TOY AND GIFT DRIVE

The Toy Drive was a great success and your generous donations helped to brighten the Holidays for children in need. NVSA appreciates all our Student Council does to help organize these successful events.



NVOC Student Council representatives with a cart full of toys



Donations from NHALC

Ordering Deadlines

This is a reminder that in an effort to prevent an unexpected impact on next year's budget, please observe the following timeline when placing orders:

- February 5, 2016: Deadline for teachers to submit order requests to principals
- March 7, 2016: Deadline for placing orders to vendors
- April 29, 2016: Deadline for deliveries and payment of orders

Superintendent's Emergency Notification System

Please see Reference Guide 5483.1, which provides information about the Superintendent's Emergency Notification System and instructions on how all employees can update their contact information online to ensure that the Superintendent can provide quick and critical emergency information to all employees.

Friday, December 4

Reading Teacher Debrief 2

Time & Location

1:00 – 4:30 P.M.
Beaudry, Rm. 2-202

Contact: Marjorie Schneider
mbs05291@lausd.net

Saturday, December 5

English 3 & 4 Teacher Study Teams - Online Edgenuity (Session 4)

Time & Location

8:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Beaudry (21-134)

Contact: Mark Kavanagh
mark.kavanagh@lausd.net

Saturday, December 5

Algebra 1 Teacher Study Teams - Online Edgenuity (Session 4)

Time & Location

8:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Beaudry (21-134)

Contact: Anthony Di Angelis
anthony.diangelis@lausd.net

Friday, December 11

English 1 Teacher Academy (Session 3)

Time & Location

12:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.
AFOC, 10th Floor Auditorium

Contact: Mark Kavanagh
mark.kavanagh@lausd.net

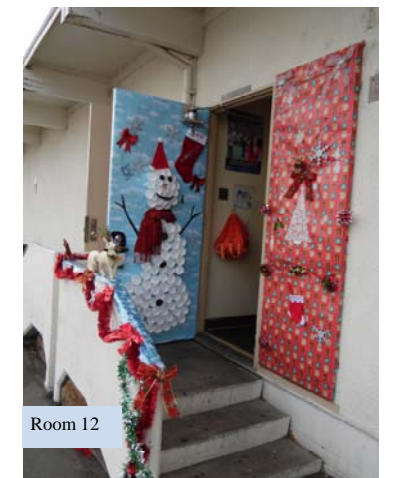
HOLIDAY DOOR CONTEST AND FESTIVITIES AT NVOC



Room 2



Room 16



Room 12

