



North Valley News

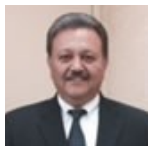
"Don't strive to make your presence noticed, just make your absence felt." --Unknown--

Approved by: Rosario Galvan, Principal

November 16, 2015



Thanksgiving Break: Nov. 23-27
Schoolwide Accreditation Meetings: 12/9
Winter Break: 12/21/15—1/11/16
Benefits Open Enrollment: Nov. 1-22
WASC Visit: April 18-20, 2016



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Rosario Galvan

Coffee with the principal is taking place at Rinaldi Monday Nov. 16th and Whipple Tuesday Dec 1st. 9:45 to 10:15am at both sites. I'm looking forward to sharing our school vision and plans for the upcoming accreditation activities. I'll attempt to answer as many questions as possible at each session. Students are invited to submit unanswered questions to their Student Council Officers and I will attend subsequent meetings until all questions have a response.

As the winter break approaches, it is critical that we remind students that the semester does not end in December. We need our students to return and complete their classes. Our completion rate will suffer greatly if we have large numbers of students that do not come back. I understand that many of our students have trips planned, but your encouragement to return will be greatly appreciated. Thank you all that you do!



THANKSGIVING BREAK



Thanksgiving Break will be the week of November 23– November 27. Happy Thanksgiving! Have a safe and happy holiday. We will see you back here on Monday, November 30.



ACCREDITATION

Last week there was a writing group where several of our staff members worked on writing the accreditation chapters. We are looking to finish this process before we leave on Winter Break.

The next important step is to formulate the **Action Plan** from our new self-study. We will be reviewing the **Keys Issues** brought out in the study and will bring those items to Leadership Team and to the faculty and staff at the Schoolwide Accreditation Meeting on December 9.

CASAS/EL CIVICS

ABE Reading and Math: Please continue with CASAS post testing. All completed test forms must be returned to the CASAS office by Friday, November 20th, 2015.

ESL: CASAS second post test will take place the first and second week of December immediately after the Thanksgiving holiday. Only students who have not earned two payment points will have 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.

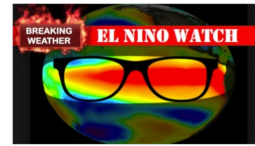
II Labs: CASAS post testing will take place the second week of December. Only students who have not earned two payment points will have to be tested. Update forms (green) will have to be completed for each student with 12 + hours of attendance whether or not they are currently enrolled.

CASAS Supplemental materials can be found at <http://bitly.com/wiaresources>.

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

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HEALTH AND SAFETY



PREPARING FOR EL NINO

LAUSD has several El Nino and weather preparedness resources, including REF 5706.1 "School Procedures during Inclement Weather." Check <http://achieve.lausd.net/elnino> for the latest El Nino tips and resources!

The Safe School Plan Volume 2 has sections addressing flooding (5.11, page 5-30) and loss of utilities (5.12, pp. 5-31 – 5-39). The LAUSD Staff/Responder Emergency Plan app gives all employee users District-wide emergency procedures, including utility failures and weather. Check <http://achieve.lausd.net/emergencyapps> for more information.

The STEPS website, <http://achieve.lausd.net/steps> has training materials and courses through the Learning Zone on a variety of emergency topics. Personal emergency preparedness is encouraged in the District through the YOYO7 (You're on Your Own for 7 Days) campaign at <http://achieve.lausd.net/yoyo7>.

Other resources for emergency preparedness at home and work are available at <http://achieve.lausd.net/emergency services>

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



This is the last week for donations for the food for MEND. **Please bring all your donations by Tuesday, November 17.** MEND will be picking up our donations on

Wednesday, November 18.

Thanks to everyone who donated to help those less fortunate during the holidays. Your generous spirit and desire to help others is very much appreciated by all who benefit from your kindness.

Friday, November 20

LARAEC Open Board Meeting
Time & Location
10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.
Location TBD
Contact: Lanzi Asturias
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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.

**AVIATION CENTER'S ANNUAL
VETERANS' DAY CELEBRATION**

The North Valley Service Area's Aviation Center of LAUSD Division of Adult and Career Education held its Annual Veterans' Celebration on November 12, 2015. This year's event included the Clay Lacy Aviation Scholarship Ceremony which awarded twenty-four student scholarships. The scholarships were presented by Clay Lacy, Founder, Brian Kirkdoffer, President of Clay Lacy Aviation, and Elizabeth Penuela, Assistant Principal over the Aviation Center. The scholarships ranged from \$300 to \$900 each and will be used to assist students with school expenses and with their Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) exam fees.

Clay Lacy Aviation donated two retired corporate jets in 2014. This year Clay Lacy and Brian Kirkdoffer have made the commitment of \$10,200 in scholarships on an annual basis to our students. Also in attendance at the event were Betty and Si Robin from Sensors Systems Inc., in Chatsworth California who have also been generous donors and supporters to our Aviation Mechanics program throughout the years.

Other attendees included Ruby Chavez, Chief of Staff from LAUSD Monica Ratliff's Office, Angelica Ayala, Representing County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's Office, and Brian Gavidia, Field Representative from Congressman Cardenas' office who delivered eloquent messages in recognition of veterans and donors.

Our school community is fortunate to have such generous donors as Clay Lacy, Brian Kirkdoffer and the Robins that help our students succeed in school and in the workforce. Support from business leaders in our community play such an important part of contributing to the future of our students.



**EVSC AND NHALC ESL ADVISORS' MEETING
AND COUNSELING/SUPPORT STAFF MEETING**

ESL Program Advisors will meet at EVSC on November 16th in room 127 from 11:15 a.m. -12:15 pm. Academic Advisors will not need to attend this meeting. Academic Advisors should plan to attend the NVSA Counseling/Support Staff meeting on November 19th at NVOC ASIS Office from 1:30-3:00 p.m.

NVOC HiSET REGISTRATION

Wednesday, November 18, 2015 at 5 PM
For December 2nd & 3rd Testing



2016 ANNUAL BENEFITS OPEN ENROLLMENT

The Annual Benefits Open Enrollment period for eligible participants begins Nov. 1 and ends Nov. 22 for the plan year effective January 1, 2015. Employees will receive information on the benefits available to them. All employees are strongly encouraged to read their enrollment materials to make an informed decision regarding their 2015 benefits.

During the open enrollment period, employees may access the Benefits Administration website at benefits.lausd.net to obtain information on all plan benefits choices and access the online enrollment site and make any desired plan changes. Employees are encouraged to save a copy of their confirmation statement for their records.