

# North Valley Occupational Center

#### **Mission Statement**

North Valley Occupational Center 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.

# **WEEKLY NEWSLET**



#### Principal's Message



The Veterans' Day Celebration at the Aviation Center last Thursday was organized by APO Elizabeth Penuela. In attendance were DACE Executive Director, Joseph Stark, Administrators, Rosario Galvan and Dora Pimentel-Baxter, and CTE Coordinator, Ana Martinez. Clay Lacey and Brian Kirkdoffer from Clay Lacey Aviation were there to present their scholarships to our students along with other special guests which included Board Member Scott Schmerson and all the Veterans who were honored for their service.

Ellen Baker, Principal

# **Calendar of Events/Important Dates**

Monday, November 14 — CTE Industrial/Automotive dept. meeting and PLC, Room M1, 11:30am-12:15pm

Monday, November 14 — EVSC HiSet test, 5:00pm

Tuesday, November 15 — EVSC HiSet registration 8:00am, (for 11/29 and 12/1 testing at 10:30am)

Tuesday, November 15 — NVOC Student Council Meeting, Room 9, 7:15pm

Wednesday, November 16 — CTE Business dept. meeting and PLC, Room 105, 11:15am-12:15pm

Wednesday, November 16 - EVSC HiSet test, 5:00pm

Thursday, November 17 — NVOC HiSet registration 10:00am (for 12/7 and 12/8 testing at 10:00am)

Thursday, November 17 — NVOC HiSet registration 5:00pm (for 12/7 and 12/8 testing at 5:00pm)

November 21-25 — Thanksgiving Break

#### **Open Classes!**

#### **North Hollywood Adult Learning Center**

All I.I. Labs and ESL classes

#### Rinaldi Adult Center

Computer Operation - M - F 8:00 to 10:00am and 10:15am to 12:15pm Reading 2/3 - M-F 8:00 to 10:00am Reading 1 - M-F 10:15am to 12:15pm ESL - 8:00 to 10:00am and 10:15 to 12:15pm (Int. Low, Int. High A, Int. High B, Adv. Low)

#### **East Valley Skills Center**

Several ABE and ASE sections, AIS

#### **NVOC**

Computer Operation - M - F 8:00 to 10:00am and 10:15am to 12:15pm Graphic Design - M - Th 6:15 to 9:00pm Adult Independent Study (AIS), HS English Must score at least 10 on TABE reading test.

9:00am to 12:00pm 5:00 to 8:00pm Thurs 2:00 to 5:00pm

#### **ESL Registration Update**

The last day for ESL Registration will be Friday, November 18, 2016.

ESL Open Enrollment will be Monday, January 23 to Friday, January 27, 2017.

#### **CTE Wait Lists**

Demand for some of our CTE programs is at an all-time high. For example, the November 15 EMT cohort wait list was over 70. In fact, open registration was cancelled because the class was already filled.

Students who pass assessment for any CTE program are required to go to the Counseling Office and request to be placed on the waitlist. For programs that require both reading and math, a student must have qualifying scores on both tests to be eligible to be placed on a wait list.

No matter how long a wait list gets, the Counseling Office will continue to collect names so that demand is accurately reported to Central Office.

#### **Thanksgiving Food Drive**

Student Council is coordinating Thanksgiving Food Drive. Many families live in poverty and are unable to celebrate holidays. A simple way to help these families is by donating food items to those in need. Help make a difference this Thanksgiving season.

#### **MOST NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:**

- Rice (2 pound bag)
- Canned fruit
- Pinto Beans (2 pound bag)
- **Canned Juices**
- Peanut butter
- Canned tomatoes
- Oatmeal
- Canned soup (all kinds)
- Ground coffee Canned tuna
- Spaghetti

All donations will go to Meeting Each Need with Dignity (MEND). Last day of collection is Thursday, November 17.

#### **STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (SLOs)**

- Develop effective reading, writing, listening and speaking skills
- Utilize current technology and/or resources to enhance subject area learning
- Demonstrate problem solving skills through individual and collaborative work Set and complete short and long term goals

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### **Student Highlight**



Akshat Bhardwaj is a deaf student in Mr. Hiltermann's level 3 language development class and Ms. Case's ESL level 3 class. He has been accepted to Ohlone College in Fremont, CA. He will start school in January 2017 and major in Deaf Studies.

Good luck, Akshat!

#### **Labor Market Information**

Access current labor market information at www.onetonline.org. The website offers wage data, projected job growth and minimum educational level requirement for thousands of different careers. Users can also retrieve data specific to California.



# **Services for Dislocated Workers**

Several NVOC students collect unemployment insurance (UI) or have exhausted their benefits. Some UI claimants may qualify for no-cost CTE classes at NVOC via the WorkSource dislocated worker program. Encourage them to contact WorkSource of Sun Valley or Pacoima to determine eligibility.

Sun Valley: 818-504-0334 Pacoima: 818-890-9400

## **2017 Annual Benefits Open Enrollment**

Open enrollment for eligible employees is Nov. 1 - 20 for the plan effective Jan. 1, 2017. During the open enrollment period, employees may access the Benefits Administration website, benefits.lausd.net to make plan changes. A registration code is required--please see your enrollment packet.

Obtain details on all plan choices, view and download all benefits publicans and forms, and access links to benefit providers' websites. Or, you can call the automated telephone system at 800-527-1482.

#### **CASAS/WIOA**

#### **ABE Reading and Math Teachers:**

Student gains reports were delivered last week. It is important to allow time to inform your students about their CASAS test results. Please continue to pretest any new students.

#### **ESL Teachers:**

The Transitions El Civics Assessment will begin this week. Assessing materials will be delivered to all ESL classes, except beginning low. CASAS did not authorize the use of Transitions for BL this time. Please refer to the memorandum included in your packets for additional information and instructions. CASAS post testing will take place the week after Thanksgiving.

CASAS and EL Civics support materials can be found on Quizlet.com and by going to our official link below.

http://www.wioalausd.com/elcivics

#### **II Labs Teachers:**

Student gains reports were delivered last week. It is important to allow time to inform your students about their CASAS test results. Please continue to pretest any new students.

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

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# **Association of California School Administrators Conference**



Assemblywoman Patty Lopez (center) was one of two recipients of the California "Adult Education Students Succeed" award. Blair Roy (right) of Outreach and Technical Assistant Network (OTAN) for Adult Educators. Barry Bakin represented North Valley Occupational Center.

OTAN facilitated the selection of the Adult Education award recipients. There were 21 recipients from California K-12 through adult education schools.

# **LAUSD Digital Library - Subscription Sites**

Our students have access to LAUSD's subscription services found in the Digital Library. Students must use a computer on the LAUSD network to gain access. Or, you can access the Digital Library by clicking on Remote Access and entering your Single Sign-On.

http://achieve.lausd.net/page/1124

Among the many services is Career Cruising. Students who wish to explore careers that best suit their interests can use the Career Cruising tools.