



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 NEWSLETTER



Principal's Message

Please check out the new DACE website at WeAreDACE.org, there you will find information about the DACE schools, statistics, student services and the many program pathways we offer at our schools to facilitate students setting long-term goals and reaching their goals at our adult schools. DACE is committed to providing the highest quality of instruction. Professional Development and Professional Learning Communities are ways that teachers can improve their instructional practices. This goal of providing quality instruction is our commitment to our students and the community.

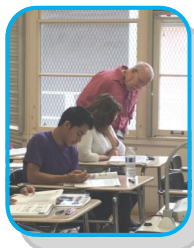
We are so proud of our students and the many goals they have achieved this 2016-17 school year! Our high school graduation will include our high school diploma students, high school equivalency recipients, and 8th grade diploma students. The graduation will be on June 2 at 10:00 am at NVOC Landscaping area. Congratulations to our grads!!

Ellen Baker, Principal

Calendar of Events/Important Dates

- Monday, May 29, 2017**
 - Memorial Day Observed—School Closed
- Tuesday, May 30, 2017**
 - Academic Department Meeting @EVSC, Room 119—11:00am to 12:15pm
 - Graduation Rehearsals @NVOC, Garden Area—6:00pm
- Wednesday, May 31, 2017**
 - Graduation Rehearsals @NVOC, Garden Area—10:00am
 - DACE ESL Adviser Meeting @Location, TBD—1:00pm to 4:00pm
- Friday, June 2, 2017**
 - NVOC Graduation @NVOC, Garden Area—10:00am
- Monday, June 12, 2017**
 - Year End Meeting @NVOC, The Grill—10:00am

LAUSD Board Member at NHALC



On Monday, May 15th, Board Member Scott Schmerelson made a special scheduled visit to the North Hollywood Adult Learning Center branch. Mr. Schmerelson met with our Principal, Ms. Ellen Baker, Assistant Principals,

Ms. Celia Dominguez and Ms. Melissa McCarthy, and Financial Manager, Ms. Sonia Nava to tour the NHALC and discuss how he could provide support for the adult school programs at the site. In addition, he discussed utilizing the site in partnership with other schools in the community for meetings after class hours concluded.

The NVOC administrative team shared several copies of the NVOC "Love My Adult School: A Collection of Student Essays" with Mr. Schmerelson which he took time to review and comment on while in discussion with the team. The discussion focused on boosting enrollment at the NHALC branch and increasing funding to offer additional course offerings at other NVOC branches.

Mr. Schmerelson visited the first period Beg Low, Beg High, Inter Low, and Inter High B/ Adv Low ESL classes where he took the time to speak to students and find out what they were learning in the daily lesson. Mr. Schmerelson's visit concluded with his assurance that he "knew what he needed to do to support" adult education. He was pleased with instruction, and the focus and dedication of our students.

ESL BL PLC

We are proud to announce that NVOC's first year of Professional Learning Community (PLC) was a success! We were able to complete our first cycle of our ESL Beginning Low PLC. Ms. Natalya Kugel led our May PLC with an informative presentation on creation of Rubrics. The data that we collected during our final meeting will help improve all of our beginning low student learning and student learning outcomes. Thank you to Pilar Zorrilla, Nataliya Kugel, Delisa Sexon, Karen Lendman, Judith Cajacob, Colleen Daly, Elena Flores, and Elizabeth Regalado.



We would also like to thank our PLC facilitators: Francisco Flores, Julieta Flores, Chrystal Mendez and Monica Martin. They are to be commended for their dedication and commitment to this process. It is very exciting to witness the level of collaboration reached by all of the members of the ESL BL PLC and the possibilities for next year. All efforts were focused towards improving instruction and helping our students achieve their educational goals.

Time to Celebrate Grads

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
DIVISION OF ADULT AND CAREER EDUCATION

NORTH VALLEY OCCUPATIONAL CENTER
PROUDLY ANNOUNCES ITS

Commencement Ceremony
for the
Class of 2017

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.

NORTH VALLEY OCCUPATIONAL CENTER
11450 SHARP AVENUE, MISSION HILLS, CA 91345
GARDEN AREA

REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING THE CEREMONY

A World of Thanks!

After 21 years of service to LAUSD, North Hollywood Adult Learning Center branch ESL instructor Ms. Margarida Quin is retiring! A retirement party in her honor will be held at NHALC on Monday, June 5, 2017 from 9:30-10:30 AM. Please RSVP to Lorena Hernandez at the NHALC branch by Friday, May 26th if you would like to join us and/or contribute to a gift. Please call NHALC at (818) 508-3600. Many sincere thanks and appreciation to Margarida for her outstanding teaching and years of service. The staff of NVOC and your students will miss you.



CASAS/WIOA Updates

CTE Teachers:

We would like to thank you for your cooperation in the collection of entry/update information from your students. We are currently in compliance with the Adult Education Block Grant (AEBG) guidelines. In order to maintain this status, you will receive entry (blue) forms at the beginning of the term or cohort and update (green) forms at the end.

Academic Teachers:

Please continue to administer the CASAS/Update test. Both ABE and ASE teachers need to test all currently enrolled students by June 2nd. Please complete the Update (green) forms for all students (currently enrolled and dropped) with 12 or more hours of attendance.

ESL Teachers:

CASAS

Student gains reports have been delivered. Please share the results with your students.

EL Civics

The Health testing materials have been delivered. You may test your students as soon as you feel they are prepared to take it. All materials are due back in the WIOA/CASAS office by no later than June 10th.

Please distribute the student needs assessment survey on a well-attended day. Return the forms by Friday, June 2nd. Thank You.

PAYMENT POINTS METER

Program/Focus Area	As of April 20, 2017
ABE	356
ESL	1768
ASE	244
EL Civics	5846
NVOC Totals	8214 (95%) 419 to go!

Performance Outcome Goal for 2016-2017: 8,633

THANK YOU and feel free to call, e-mail, or come by the WIOA/CASAS Office (Room 104) with any questions or needed support.

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Room 104—(818) 256-1381
Main Office—(818) 256-1321
- ◆ **Javier Flores**
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Room 7—(818) 256-1370
- ◆ **Maura Sakhakorn**
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Whipple: (818) 508-3600

Food for Thought

*Do not seek to follow in the footsteps of the wise,
instead, seek what they sought.
- Matsuo Basho -*

A Final Date With Barry, WIOA ITTA

The last WIOA Technology Workshop for this school year will be on Thursday, June 1 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in room 207 at East Valley Skills Center! The topic will be "Preparing your students to work independently during the break." In this workshop, you will learn about websites that your students can use during the long summer months to review and practice. As always, participants who are not assigned during the hours of the workshop can elect to be compensated with District Sponsored Training Rate or hours for Professional Development. See the flier below! Your participation is invited and welcomed!

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2017 (March through June)
WIOA TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOPS
NVOC's instructor-taught series of hands-on workshops focusing on one type or aspect of technology each session.

Session	Date	Title	Location
7	Wednesday, March 22, 2017 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Using the new Prometeus Active Board in the NVOC ESL Computer Lab	NVOC Room 102
8	Thursday, April 6, 2017 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Creating community using appropriate online tools and strategies.	East Valley Skills Center Room 207
9	Wednesday, May 3, 2017 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Digital footprint, online reputation, internet safety, privacy and security for adult education	East Valley Skills Center Room 207
10	Friday, May 19, 2017 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Hands-on projects in the classroom (Easy to implement!)	NVOC Room 102
11	Thursday, June 1, 2017 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Preparing your students to work independently when they're on break	East Valley Skills Center Room 207

Attendees will receive District Sponsored Training Rate or count workshop attendance for Step Advancement Purposes!
ALL teachers are encouraged to attend.
RSVP via Email to barry.bakin@lausd.net

LA Valley College Fieldtrip

On Monday, May 22nd, twenty three students and staff attended a comprehensive fieldtrip of the LA Valley Community College (LAVC). LAVC provided bus transportation, presentations regarding programs and services, a walking tour of the facilities, and lunch to the group from NVOC. LAVC is one of our strong community partners participating in the LARAEC.

Students had the opportunity to meet and speak with the newly appointed Dean of Adult / Community Education & Workforce Development, Dr. Doug C. Marriott. He and his team were welcoming and enthusiastic about building relationships with our adult schools and providing easier access and smoother transitions for DACE students into the LACCD campuses.

Discussions are already in the works for continuing regular college outreach, calendaring college outreach rep sessions, college presentations, and fieldtrips for 2017-2018. Dr. Marriot has requested the opportunity to bring his team to present about LAVC during the NVOC summer session. He has expressed his support for offering college courses on the adult school campuses based on the needs and interests of our students and programs. Having adult ed. and college staff and students visiting both facilities, continuing conversations, and planning and implementing shared use of resources facilitates the creation of a college-going culture.

Students commented that they are not intimidated about college as they once were, and are genuinely excited about transitioning into college as a result of the ongoing efforts of both the adult ed. and college staff who continue to provide new and ongoing opportunities to move forward towards achieving their post-secondary educational goals!

laadulted.com is now:

WeAreDACE.org

