



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.

Vision Statement

North Valley Occupational Center's vision is to be a highly effective school that prepares its students to achieve their goals toward academic excellence, career and college preparation, and success in a global economy.

WEEKLY



Message from the Principal

XPrize Awards Free Smart Phones



The end of the 2018 calendar year is upon us and so is the winter break. Before we go on break, I want to thank everyone for their work: the Building and Grounds workers for keeping all our campuses clean, our campus aides for providing safety and responding to campus issues, the Classified Support Staff for providing welcoming service to our students and staff, our Advisors for the professional development and support they give to our teachers, our Teachers for their dedication to improving instruction, our Teacher Assistants for supporting teachers and students, our Financial Office for their meticulous work, and our Administrative Staff for their leadership. Teachers please remember to do these few things before you leave. Sign your time cards, turn in classroom keys, and certify attendance. Everyone, have a happy and safe holiday season. See you all on Monday, January 7, 2019.



Teacher **Christopher Jones** celebrates with students **Paul Garcia** (center) and **William Esquivel** (right) as they receive their rewards from XPrize. Mr. **Barry Bakin** presents student **Flor Cabrera** with her prize. A few lucky students who participated in testing Mobile Phone Apps to improve English Literacy were chosen by the XPrize competition to receive a gift. The XPrize Literacy Competition received support and funding from the Barbara Bush Foundation and the Dollar General Literacy Foundation to encourage App Developers from around the world to create the best app for English Language Learners. Students from NVOC and the Division of Adult and Career Education downloaded the apps from 8 semifinalist teams to their phones and tested them for up to one year. The winner of the competition has not yet been announced. For more information about the competition visit www.xprize.org and for information about the apps themselves, <https://www.xprize.org/prizes/adult-literacy/teams>.



STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (SLOs)

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



Program Performance CASAS/EL Civics News

CTE Teachers

- We would like to thank our CTE instructors for their support in collecting all required information from their students. Please turn in all CASAS forms by Wednesday, December 12.

Academic Teachers

- Paper update forms will continue to be completed by teachers at all sites. Please turn in all CASAS forms by Wednesday, December 12.

ESL Teachers

- Please turn in all EL Civics and CASAS materials by Wednesday, December 12.

CASAS e-testing Milestone:

- All ABE and ASE classes at the NVOC campus were successfully e-tested last week.
- All academic classrooms at the NVOC campus now have registered computers for e-testing.

THANK YOU and feel free to call, e-mail, or come by the WIOA/CASAS Office (Room 104) with any questions or needed support. In the evening at NVOC, Gloria Booth, extension 1401, is available for CASAS/EL Civics testing materials. You can also contact your ESL advisor.

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Reminders for Teachers

- Sign in a the beginning of your assignment
- Sign out at the end of your assignment
- Turn in keys at the end of your assignment, do not take keys home
- Appliances such as coffee makers and space heaters are not allowed in classrooms
- Make sure your classroom door is locked at the end of your assignment
- Report e-attendance daily
- If you are going to be absent, notify the office as soon as possible so we can get a substitute

Student Council Partners with Local Charity

On Wednesday, December 5, students, teachers and staff joined with the local charity MEND to provide food and toys to needy families. The NVOC Student Councils coordinated the 2018 Holiday Food and Toy Drive. For several weeks, Student Council members collected food like canned vegetables, boxed pasta, cereal and other non-perishable food. Also, amongst the many boxes of food were new unwrapped toys for kids and new blankets. The drive ended this past week when MEND arrived at each of NVOC's campuses (Rinaldi AC, East Valley SC, North Hollywood ALC and the main campus) delighted to collect donations. Many thanks to all whose generosity will brighten up the Holiday Season for local families in need.



Mr. Serrano, Mr. Jones, Roxana Arjmandi, Fatima Ayala, Antonio Duarte, Fredrick Shaibani Brayan Medellin and MEND Representatives



Edwin Garcia, Isabel Serna, Evelia Soto, Heidy Toscano, and Roberto Tobar display toys donated by their ESL class for MEND.