



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

Regular short classroom observations are part of making sure that we are offering our students the quality instruction they are expecting. Administrators will conduct short observation visits and provide feedback on those visits. We will be looking for evidence of instructional content which will include a daily agenda and objectives, connection to the SLOs of the daily agenda as well as the interactions that take place in class. We are just taking a quick snapshot of your lesson for that day so there is no need to provide any particular lesson but there should be evidence of long-term lesson planning. We will provide teachers with some feedback on an observation form and feel free to contact that administrator if you have any questions or concerns. If Lab teachers who need assistance in providing some whole classroom instruction should work with the APACS or Academic Pathway Advisor at the site to incorporate a lesson into your daily plans and agenda. As we gear up for the WASC mid-year visit it is important we show all the great learning opportunities we have for our students.

October is Disability Employment Month

To celebrate National Disability Employment Awareness Month, NVOC's Office of Disability Support Services is sponsoring information and weekly lectures to educate about disability employment issues and celebrate the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities.

Held annually, National Disability Employment Awareness Month is led by the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy, but its true spirit lies in the many observances held at the grassroots level across the nation every year.

NVOC staff members can support National Disability Employment Awareness Month by visiting www.dol.gov/ndeam and attending the lectures listed below. Everyone plays an important part in fostering a more inclusive workforce, one where every person is recognized for his or her abilities — every day of every month.

PLCs Start this Friday

Our first PLC meeting of the school year is this Friday, October 12 at 8:00 am. We look forward to working together to enhance student learning. This year, our PLCs will be challenging, but exciting. Before we begin, let's start with a review of our 4 Essential Questions.

- How will we know if they have learned it?
- What will we do if they haven't learned it?
- What will we do when they have learned it?

What is Essential Question #1? Let's see who knows! Email your answer to cer8190@lausd.net. Who will be the first person to respond with the correct answer? Stay tuned.

- October 1 -5** National Disability Employment Awareness Disability Support Services Staff
- October 8-12** Deaf and Hard of Hearing Blind and Visual Impairments
Lecture: Wed. Oct. 10: "What is Anxiety?"
- October 15-19** Learning Disabilities
Lecture: Wed. Oct. 17: "Problem Solving"
- October 22-26** Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders
Lecture: Wed Oct .24: "Setting Goals"

October 29-31 Local, County and State Support Services

Lectures will be held on Wednesdays in Room 8 @ 12 noon. Everyone is invited! are invited!

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

- The Child Development class will be collecting CASAS entry information from currently enrolled students. All forms are due by Friday, October 19th.
- Various cohorts will be collecting CASAS update information this week. All forms are due on Thursday, October 18th.
- Each teacher’s folder includes samples and a memo with additional instructions.

Academic Teachers

- Please continue to pretest new students and collect CASAS entry information.
- We are currently assigning the next test to all currently enrolled students. Our next round of CASAS testing will begin Monday, October 15th.
- Please keep in mind that we started using the new CASAS reading GOALS 900 series in the summer. Please box up the old CASAS test booklets (185R/186R/187R/188R/513R/514R) and let us or your Academic Advisor know when they are ready to be picked up.
- Only the reading tests have changed; we will continue to use the same math tests.

ESL Teachers

- Preparation lessons for our next EL CIVICS test were delivered last week. *Digital Literacy* will be given to the 2:44 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. classes and *Community Resources* to the 54:59 a.m. classes. After two weeks of preparation, you will also have two weeks to test students from October 15-26.
- Our next round of CASAS test-only session will begin this week. Please return all testing materials by Friday, October 19th. If needed, schedule make-ups with your ESL Advisor the week of October 15th.
- Each teacher’s folder includes samples and a memo with additional instructions.
- 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.
- Gustavo Cubias- gac84281@lausd.net (NVOC-day) Room 104 - 818-256-1329
- Joe Alvarez- jma70461@lausd.net (NVOC- T-F day/M evening) Room 104 - 818-256-1381
- Javier Flores- fjf8560@lausd.net (EVSC- M/W * Rinaldi- T/TH * NHALC - F)

Voter Registration Continues at NVOC

If you or your student is eligible to vote and have not yet registered, please know the voter registration deadline is October 22. Contact the following advisors or teacher during their regularly scheduled time for voter registration forms or online access to the voter registration link:

NVOC	Emilio Mendez
EVSC	Ismael Serrano
NHALC /Rinaldi	Maura Sakakhorn
Aviation	Edward Holyoke

SkillsUSA



SkillsUSA is a nationwide organization to represent trade and industrial education and to serve student needs. SkillsUSA is a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. The organization seeks to address both the skills gap and skilled worker shortages through programs such as the SkillsUSA Championships and other industry-driven assessments. It also provides training programs, events and competitions that support career and technical education across the nation.

Regardless of whether students are headed for college or the workforce, students can get job experiences to help them define their career plans, identify an appropriate course of study and help pay for tuition. Students discover and grow their career passions and appreciate their own self-worth through the work and dedication of instructors, administrators, association directors, industry partners and alumni. It creates a vision for programs at the local, state and national levels to ensure quality student-led experiences that build skills in all members.

NVOC is proud of our local, state, and national champions, and would like to encourage our teachers to become involved with SkillsUSA. As the year progresses, more information will be available about local events and involvement with SkillsUSA. For more information in the meantime, please visit the SkillsUSA website at <http://www.skillsusa.org/> or <http://www.skillsusaca.org/>

I Can Afford College

‘Watch and Win’ Sweepstakes

The California Community Colleges Financial Aid Awareness campaign is launching a new contest, in partnership with iHeart Media: the “Snaps for College Cash” sweepstakes. The lucky grand-prize winner of this year’s sweepstakes will receive a \$5,000 scholarship that can be used for community college costs, such as fees, books, supplies and other education-related expenses. A second-place winner will receive a college tech package (including a brand-new 64 GB iPad Pro) and the third-place winner will receive a \$250 gift card. Additionally, gift cards in smaller amounts will be awarded weekly.

Students can enter the ‘Snaps for College Cash’ sweepstakes now through December 30, 2018 – winner will be announced in mid-January 2019.

To enter, we are asking current and prospective students to visit icanaffordcollege.com and follow three easy steps:

1. Click the ‘Snaps for College Cash’ web banner
2. Snap a selfie and upload it using the web button provided
3. Share your selfie on social media and post about how you spend college cash using the hashtags: #snapsforcollegecash #ICanAffordCollege and #sweepstakes