



February 6, 2018

North Valley Occupational Center

Mission Statement

North Valley Occupational Center offers educational and training opportunities that provide a diverse population

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Message from the Principal

It is time again for the Spring Child Abuse Awareness Training. All regular employees are to attend a meeting to receive this training and all substitute teachers are enrolled in the Learning Zone for this training and must complete it online. This year the CAAT will take place at the beginning of the February 16 PLC Meeting, from 8:00 am – 9:00 am for all teaching staff. We will hold another training for the classified staff at another time. Teachers who do not attend the training on February 16 should see their site administrator to schedule a make-up session during their unassigned time. This training is required of all LAUSD employees and must be completed by March 15. It is very important that we are all aware of our responsibility as mandated reporters to help keep students safe.

Reminders for Teachers

Here are a several reminders about day to day operations in the classroom:

- Arrive to work on time
- Have an agenda posted each day with lesson objectives
- Certify attendance at the end of each class
- Report attendance in the Attendance Folder in the main office
- Notify the administrator on duty about low class attendance. Working together is the best strategy.
- To stop enrollment into your class, notify an administrator.
- Return keys to the office at the end of your work schedule
- Evening teachers should report to the main office no later than 9:15 pm to sign out. After 9:15, there is no security on campus
- Reach out to department teacher advisors for questions and additional support
- Have an emergency lesson plan available in case of an unscheduled absence

Machine Shop Students Present 3D



Machine Shop students in Mr. De La Torre's morning class present a PowerPoint slide show on 3D printers in hope getting students and staff excited about upgrading the NVOC Machine Shop program. Administrators and students were impressed. The presentation was informative and the student presenters were very knowledgeable. 3D printers are definitely on our "wish-list."

February is Black History Month

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

To help our teachers celebrate Black History Month in the classroom, here are a few ideas:

1. Learn about the histories of Blues, Jazz, and Hip-Hop.
2. Conduct a read-aloud of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s famous "I Have a Dream" speech and have students discuss the relevance in today's society.
3. Visit the California African American Museum in Los Angeles.

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



WIOA/CASAS UPDATES

CTE Teachers:

Entry forms for most CTE classes have been delivered. Please allow class time to complete the forms with your students' input. Completed forms are due back in the WIOA office by Friday, February 16.

Please contact Patrick Wickham, CTE Program Adviser, at 818-256-1325 or ross.wickham@lausd.net if you have any questions.

Academic Teachers:

Academic CASAS gains reports summary by teacher have been delivered.

Please collect entry forms and pretest all new students.

Our next general round of CASAS testing will take place the week of February 12.

ESL Teachers:

CASAS Entry/testing will take place this week. Please allow class time to complete the Entry forms with your students' input.

Please follow the proctoring guidelines to administer the assigned CASAS tests to your students.

EL Civics-Employment preparation lessons have been delivered. Our next EL Civics test will take place the week of February 12.

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 adviser.

Gustavo Cubias- gac84281@lausd.net (NVOC-day) Room 104- 818-256-1329

Joe Alvarez- jma70461@lausd.net (NVOC- T-F day/Monday evening) Room 104 - 818-256-1381

Javier Flores- [ffj8560@lausd.net](mailto:fjf8560@lausd.net) (Various sites)

Message from Monica Martin

Thank you for your enthusiastic participation in our Professional Learning Communities. I wanted to remind you of the remaining PLC dates.

February 16 March 16 April 20 May 18

If you have any questions, please email mrm0957@lausd.net Thank you

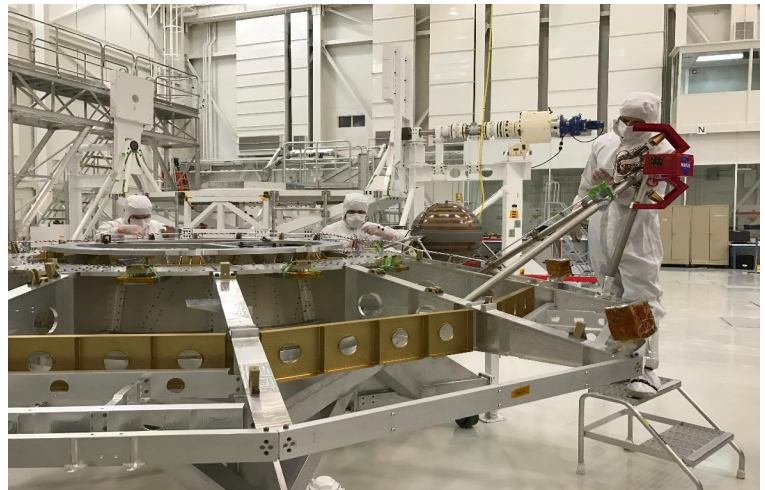
Scholarships for High School Graduates

AEOE is offering scholarships in the amount of \$3000 to graduating adult school students who obtain their high school diploma. Postmark deadline is February 22

AALA Student Scholarship in the amount of \$2000 is now available for any student who has graduated or will graduate with a high school diploma this school year. The deadline to submit the application is February 23.

Teachers, please work with the counselors and APACS to identify potential graduates. NVOC should have applicants for both scholarships.

Aviation Graduate at JPL



NVOC is proud to highlight another graduate from the Aviation Center. Nick Lucero, pictured above 3rd person from the left, is working for Jet Propulsion Labs in Pasadena. The picture shows Nick working on the 2020 Mars Rover. In the past we have called some of our students at NVOC/AC Rock Stars. Nick is one of the first students who was a true Rock Star. Before Nick came to us, He was a professional drummer. Nick traveled all over the world playing for different bands, "The Flys", "QOTSA", and "Peter Murphy of Bauhaus". After a few years of traveling all over the world Nick decided to pursue a career in aviation. After graduating from the Aviation Center, Nick had 2 job offers. One offer was from JPL. He chose JPL.

A short time after joining JPL, the engineering department had designed a part for the 2020 Mars Rover but couldn't figure out how to install it. Nick stepped up and said, "let me let me give it a try." Using special drills and equipment, Nick was able to bolt the part to the rover. That is the first of Nick's many accomplishments at JPL. The management at JPL speaks very highly of him. Everyone says that he not only has excellent mechanical skills but is a joy to be around, always laughing and in good spirits.

During his time at the Aviation School Nick was continuously trying to excel and graduated at the top of his class. In his spare time Nick is working on getting his Private Pilot Certificate.

We are all very proud of Nick and the impact he has made at JPL.

HiSET Test at NVOC

The next HiSET exam is scheduled on Wednesday and Thursday, February 21 & 22, 2018 at 5:00pm at NVOC.. Registration for these dates begins at NVOC on Thursday, February 8, 2018, starting at 5:00pm. Students interested in registering for this exam test date need to come to Counseling Office and bring the following items with them:

- 1) their ETS ID #
- 2) a valid photo ID (CA DL, identification card, passport or student ID from NVOC or EVSC;
- 1) \$150 cash or cashiers check.