

# 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

We had a successful Linked Learning event at our Aviation Center last Friday where Middle and High School students from five different schools learned about a career in aviation mechanics. A special thank you to all the aviation teachers who made everyone feel welcome and to Ms. Penuela for organizing the event with the secondary CTE advisor. Board Member Gonez and Board Member Schmerelson’s representative, Jeannie Kamm, both attended the event to show their support for the Link Learning initiative and for our adult school programs. We are very fortunate that our Board Members are so supportive of adult education and willing to be available for many of our events!

I wanted to remind teachers that you must be in class during class time. It is the responsibility of the teacher to be available to our students during class time and there in case there should be a safety concern or emergency situation. If a teacher needs to be out of class, please phone the Main Office so we can assist you in maintaining the proper supervision in your classroom. Please be sure to lock your classroom doors during breaks when you leave and ask that students return after break.

### PLC this Friday

All instructors are reminded that this Friday, February 16, we will have our monthly PLC meeting. Please arrive on time as we have our annual Child Abuse Awareness Training presentation that is required of all District employees. Any instructor missing the training will have to be rescheduled to a later date. A separate training will be scheduled for non-teaching staff.

### 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.



### NVOC Facts

Since the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year, 14 females have registered for the Aviation Mechanics program.

### Valley College Tours for NVOC Students

Los Angeles Valley College is offering tours for our students next month. This is a great opportunity for students planning on enrolling at the community college in the near future to visit the campus and learn more about programs, registration, financial aide and other resources available to students. See your counselor to reserve an appointment.

#### Valley College Tour Dates

March 13	8:00 AM to 2:00 PM	day students
March 15	5:00 PM to 9:00 PM	evening students

#### 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](mailto:ross.wickham@lausd.net) if you have any questions.

#### Academic Teachers:

Our next general round of CASAS testing will take place the week of February 12. All properly completed forms must be returned to the WIOA office on February 23. Please collect entry forms and pretest all new students.

#### ESL Teachers:

CASAS Entry/make-ups will take place this week. Please allow class time to complete the Entry forms with your students' input. All properly completed forms must be returned to the WIOA office on February 16. Please follow the proctoring guidelines to administer the assigned CASAS tests to your students.

EL Civics-Employment test will take place this week. All properly completed forms must be returned to the WIOA office on February 23.

#### Javier Flores Various Sites Schedule:

M-F 8:00-8:45/1:00-2:30 pm	NVOC-Room 103A
M/W 9:00 am – 1:00 pm	EVSC – Room 201
T/TH 9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Rinaldi – Room 12
F 9:00 am – 1:00 pm	NHALC – Room 13

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](mailto:gac84281@lausd.net) (NVOC-day) Room 104- 818-256-1329

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

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

### 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.

### Si & Betty Robin Donate \$140,000 to NVOC 's Aviation Program

North Valley Occupational Center receives yet another \$140,000 generous donation from Si and Betty Robin. The Robins are the owners of Sensor Systems, Inc. which is the world's leading designer of antennas for commercial, business and military airborne applications. The company offers more than 250 products from its factory in Chatsworth, California.



Si and Betty are generous donors to the Aviation Center at North Valley Occupational Center of the Division of Adult and Career Education in LAUSD and to many aviation museums across the country.

The Robins take pride in helping tomorrow's inventors, pilots, entrepreneurs and aviation mechanic students achieve their dreams. They have contributed over \$300,000 to NVOC since 2013. Last week they presented NVOC's Assistant Principal, Elizabeth Penuela with a \$140,000 donation for the Aviation Mechanics program which she supervises. The Robins expressed that they wanted \$80,000 to go for the purchase of tools and equipment to support instruction in the classroom, \$40,000 to students in the form of scholarships to assist them with the program and FAA examination fees, and \$20,000 to support students who are competing in SkillsUSA.

"I am thrilled to have such a generous and incredible couple who constantly contribute to the Aircraft Mechanic program at North Valley Occupational Center and its students. This huge donation will help hundreds of students this year with registration fees, books, equipment, tools, FAA examination fees and any other cost related to their studies in Aviation Mechanics program." Said Assistant Principal, Elizabeth Penuela.

"North Valley Occupational Family appreciates the efforts Si and Betty Robin are consistently and continuously doing to help our students succeed in school and in the workforce." Said Principal Ellen Baker







### NVOC TAKES GOLD IN SKILLS USA

North Valley Occupational Center students take Gold, Silver and Bronze medals at the SkillsUSA Regional competitions that was held at Los Angeles Trade Technical College on Saturday, January 27, 2018 and on Saturday, February 3, 2018. Eight of the sixteen NVOC students that participated were placed in the top two slots and qualified to compete at the SkillsUSA California 51<sup>st</sup> Annual State Leadership and Skills Conference to be held in Ontario’s Convention Center on April 19-22, 2018

SkillsUSA is a national organization with more than 300,000 students annually through 4,000 local chapters as. The SkillsUSA framework provides students with personal, workplace and technical skills to empower students to become world class workers, leaders and responsible American citizens. “It takes a huge commitment and a lot of hard work from instructors, administrators and most of all from the students to participate and win in these competitions,” said Elizabeth Penuela, Assistant Principal at NVOC.

Principal Ellen Baker and the rest of the NVOC family are proud of Mr. Schaeffer and Mr. Montero and the students who participated. John Youn, Gerardo Garcia – Figueroa and Alfredo Trujillo from Mr. Jonathan Schaeffer’s Emergency Medical Technician class took Gold medals in the CPS - Human Services Cluster and Amanda Goldberg took Silver in the First Aid- CPR contest.

Calvin Espinoza, Roberto Tena, and Michael Serrano from Mr. Dan Montero’s Information Technology classes also won Gold, Silver and Bronze. They qualified to move on to State competitions.

“It was amazing to see the students in action during the competitions. They worked tirelessly to prepare for the SkillsUSA competitions under the supervision of their instructors Mr. Schaeffer and Mr. Montero. I am honored to work with such committed teachers and brilliant students” said Elizabeth Penuela.

We thank the following sponsors for making the participation of students from NVOC and other DACE schools in SkillsUSA 2018 a reality: Curt Castangna, CEO and President of Aeroplex/Aerolease Group, Tony Marlow, Vice President of Castle and Cooke Aviation, The Van Nuys Airport, Si and Betty Robin , CEO and Founder of Sensor Systems Inc. Oscar Meier, Apprenticeship Advisor.

To view the results of the SkillsUSA results, go to the link: <http://www.skillsusaca.org/sites/default/files/u36/advance%20to%20state%20r3%20FINAL.pdf>

