

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.

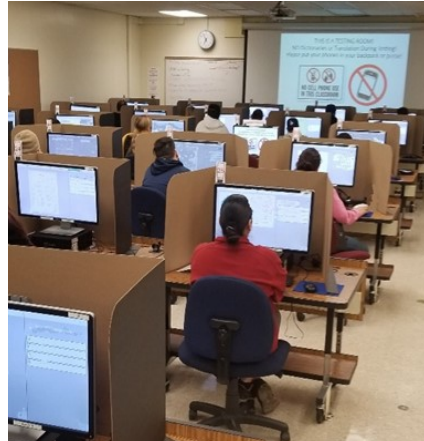
WEEKLY



Message from the Principal

Welcome back to all NVOC staff and students to the first week of instruction of the 2019! We hope everyone enjoyed the time off and is returning with good health and new determination to meet our goals and help our students meet theirs. Teachers, if attendance is low for your class, please give your students a phone call to remind them that class has begun. Tuesday, January 22 marks the beginning of the Spring Semester for many classes. Priority registration is now available for current NVOC students to enroll for next semester. On Tuesday, January 15, we will have open registration for all new students. We are committed to providing professional service both on the phone and in person. We are also committed to following fair enrollment practices by instituting a waiting list for classes that reach maximum enrollment or classes where there is not enough time to complete the courses. For CTE teachers who are finishing the Fall semester next Friday, please remember to mark any student who has successfully met the competencies as a completer in ASIS. More information on marking completers will follow shortly. Everyone, have a great first week of January!

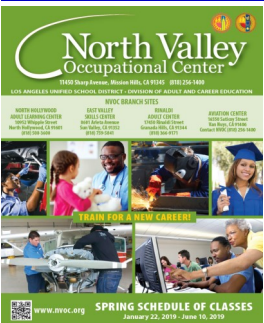
Computerized CASAS Testing has Arrived



CASAS eTesting has arrived! Say goodbye* to CASAS test booklets and "bubbling in" test answers on an answer sheet, and say hello to computerized CASAS eTesting at North Valley Occupational Center! In a first for the Division of Adult and Career Education, all Academic and ESL classes at the NVOC site completed

the November and December round of CASAS testing using computer-based testing. WIOA Program Performance Advisors Gustavo Cubias, Jose Alvarez, and **Javier Flores**, and Instructional Technology Teacher Advisor **Barry Bakin** prepared the computers and testing protocols. Students reported that taking the test on the computers was no more difficult than using the paper booklets, and they were happy to learn the results of the tests immediately. Teachers were pleased at the prospect of not having to pass out, collect, and monitor the booklets for writing. eTesting is beneficial to NVOC because it means less management and costs associated with maintaining, organizing, and distributing the large number of test booklets and because test answer sheets no longer have to be scanned to obtain results. The WIOA Team is planning to implement eTesting for all sites during the February round of testing. A Professional Development workshop introducing all instructors to the CASAS eTesting process is scheduled for January 18 (12:45 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. in room 102). Most students will utilize eTesting. Certain students and classes will still use the booklets to take the test depending on the individual circumstances.

Spring Schedule of Classes Available Now



The NVOC Spring Schedule of Classes is available now at the main campus and will be delivered to branch locations. The schedule is also available on the school website www.nvoc.org. Please contact your site administrator if you need extra copies.

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