

# 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 NEWSLETTER



### Message from the Principal

We hope you had a safe and enjoyable Labor Day Weekend. It seems time is flying so fast as we are beginning the third week of the fall semester. Everyone has done a fantastic job adapting to the new attendance platform and working with our DACE-SIS Office, **Delmy** and **Merlie**. We are getting daily reminders of teachers who have not certified their attendance so please make sure you certify attendance on a daily basis. Last week we mentioned we want our student to have attendance **PERSISTENCE**. Current research indicates student persistence is influenced by two variables. The first one is academic variable. Students who feel engaged in their education and who see their courses relating to real life and to work situations are more likely to remain in class. Students who do not feel connected in the classroom probably do not see how instruction is connected to their goals. Our teachers provide quality instruction and constant feedback to our students, but we also have to make the connection from our Academic, CTE and ESL course outlines and lessons to student goals. Let's make this connection part of our daily routine when discussing lessons. Everyone have a great week.

### Compliance Forms Due

If you have not already done so, please make sure you turn in the following forms to the main office.

- 2019-2020 Child Abuse Awareness Training Certificate
- 2019-2020 Suicide Prevention Awareness Training Certificate
- The 5 forms of Mandated Bulletins that require signatures (passed out at the Back-to-School meeting)
- Emergency Card

### DACE-SIS Support is Available

As we use DACE-SIS more, we find new challenges. Make sure to communicate those to **Delmy** so she can recommend upgrades to the system. We are fortunate that this new system allows for changes although it may be some time before they are put into effect. For example, dropping students has been long and burdensome, but we have contacted DACE who has taken our suggestions for the next DACE-SIS program update. By now, instructors are familiar with submitting attendance, but keep in mind attendance must be submitted on time. Recently, the internet at NVOC was down, delaying teachers who tried to certify attendance. When this happens, a trouble call is placed to DACE who handle the matter online or send a representative to the school. We hope this does not happen again, but if it does, teachers should make sure they have a sign in sheet ready as a back up.

### The PLC Corner

The NVOC PLCs are back. Almost. We're excited to begin the PLC for the new school year . PLC dates will be available as soon as the DACE Master Calendar is released.

**"Professional learning community (PLC):**

*An ongoing process in which educators work collaboratively in recurring cycles of collective inquiry and action research to achieve better results for the students they serve. Professional learning communities operate under the assumption that the key to improved learning for students is continuous job-embedded learning for educators."*

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### 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