



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

Happy holidays to all our staff! We have come to the final week of school for 2019 and soon we will all have time off to spend with our loved ones. On behalf of the administrative staff, have a happy and safe holiday season.

Back in August, NVOC created a list of three goals for the school year: (1) Increase community, business, and government partnerships (2) Increase accurate reporting and demonstrate an increase in student transitions to other programs, post secondary and employment, and (3) create an Individual Student Plan for 100% of students.



Recently our efforts have focus on meeting these goals. We have addressed **Goal 1** by inviting our business and community partners to the Community Advisory Board this Tuesday, December 10th. **Cynthia Diaz** has coordinated this event that showcased all our programs. **Co-ri Villalobos** and **Cheryl Miller** presented the IET Child Development class, and **Jonathan Schaeffer** and **Patrick Wickham** promoted the CTE classes. Our advisors took the opportunity to network with community representatives. The other NVOC goal we are focusing is **Goal 3** on Friday, December 6th. APACS **Celia Dominguez** and **Audra Tabarez** presented a extensive workshop on generating Individual Student Plans for students in each department. Thanks to Advisors and Teacher Counselors who all gave great input. We are on our way to achieving our goals. May you all have a happy end of the year.

Welcome Iilina Rulsky

Let's give **Iilina Rulsky** a warm welcome to NVOC. She is our new Teacher Counselor at East Valley Skills Center. She is excited to get to know the students and staff at NVOC. Iilina earned her Masters in Counseling from California Lutheran University and her Bachelors in Chemistry from University of California, Riverside. She enjoys helping students with their educational and career goals and spending time with her family and 3 dogs.



EVSC Student Wins Competition

Congratulations to East Valley Skills Center student **Safah Abed** who won the graphic design competition to develop a logo for NVOC's 50th Anniversary Celebration. **Safah** is a student at East Valley Skills Center and is taking the Graphic Design class with **Ms. Catalin Joo**. Many students from both **Mr. Charles Garcia** and **Ms. Joo** submitted proposals. You will see Safah's logo used to promote our event and school. Thank you to all the students who participated.



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

CTE Teachers:

- Thank you Child Development, EMT and B&G cohort teachers for turning in all of your Entry/Update forms.

Academic Teachers:

- Our last round of CASAS e-testing for this semester will begin this week.

ESL Teachers:

- All EL Civics and CASAS tests results will be produced and delivered this week.

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, **Claudia Salinas**, extension 1401, is available for CASAS/EL Civics testing materials. You can also contact your ESL advisor.

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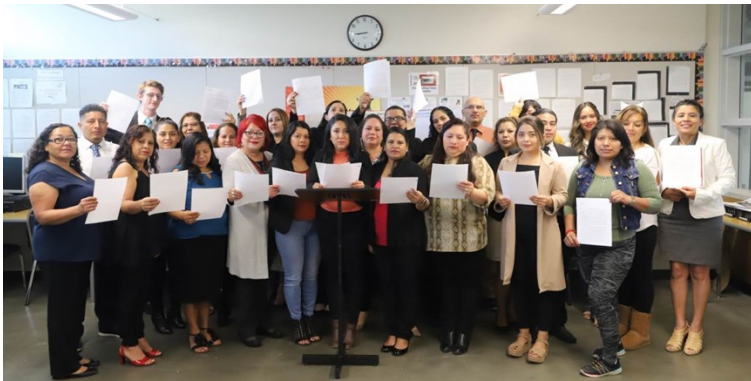
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Revving up for Census 2020

Imagine your students making learning gains, or getting a job, or passing the HiSET test and not getting counted. That's horrible. We need to document those gains as they generate funding for our program. The same thing happens with our census counts every ten years. We want our community to be counted and represented so that we can access federal funds for our community and have representation in our government. To help, the DACE has joined the efforts of bringing Census Awareness to our teachers and students. Census awareness posters in English and Spanish have been distributed to each of the five campuses and were placed in high traffic areas such as offices, break-rooms, and cafeteria. Also, attached to this bulletin are two flyers for teachers to place in their classrooms. Additional materials are available at the DACE website: wearedace.org. To access lesson plans and videos, simply go to the website, click on News tab, click Census 2020 on the dropdown, and click on the link for resources such as ESL lesson plans by level, posters and handouts. CTE and Academic lessons are in development. Also at wearedace.org, there is a Census Toolkit PowerPoint that you can download, view and share with your students. It is important to review all the material made available to us in order to understand the information and help our students trust and participate in the process. As part of the community outreach, NVOC has hosted job applications for census workers and will host a census training for enumerators next year. That's not all. There will be more census related activities in the coming weeks. Please review the materials and discuss the importance of the Census 2020 as it relates to representation and funding.

Presidential Assignment



With the election less than a year away, the Reading students at East Valley were given a writing assignment asking them to create a Presidential Agenda and present it to their fellow students. While working on the assignments, students developed new skills to produce winning Presidential Agendas. They learned how to research reliable sites such as *Newsela*, interview community members, integrate supporting charts and graphs, and imbed quotes - all within a framework of the HiSET-level academic language.

Some examples from the student's assignment included plans for more mental health monitoring in the schools, solutions for effective immigration reform and ways to decrease the number of homeless on America's streets.

So, come and check them out, and remember to vote in the real election next November! Kudos to Instructor **Debra Fasciano** for developing a relevant and engaging project for the students.

Last Tech Workshop of the Year

Don't rush off to vacation without taking advantage of a great "instructor inspired" opportunity to enhance your skills in using Microsoft Office for Educators! NVOC instructors **Regina Brady** and **Dawn Wilson** will be presenting the final Technology Workshop of 2019: *Microsoft Office for Educators: Support Your Instruction with Necessary Skills* this Friday in room 102 from 12:45 pm to 2:15 pm. This workshop will be the first of several directed at introducing basic skills and techniques using the common Office programs Excel, Word, and others that can make your teaching and teaching management efforts more productive. As always, participants who are not "on-the-clock" have a choice of earning Salary Step Advancement credit or District Sponsored Training Rate.

Lights, Camera, Dance!



Here is some exciting news to share about one of our students. Janina "Jano" Ragual is a student in Ms. Bouziane's Reading class and Mr. Hilterman's ASL/English for the Deaf. Jano is a dancer. Jano recently submitted a video audition and was selected to perform in an upcoming TBV show called "Zoe's Extraordinary Playlist" Jano will be flying to Vancouver, Canada for the filming of the show. There, they will work with choreographer Mandy Moore among others.