



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

Welcome to the first day of the spring semester. Today students are meeting their teachers for the first time. Some students may be lost on campus and need assistance. Please take a moment to help students who look confused or lost. As students enter your classroom, give them a friendly welcome and verify through their registration slips that they are in the correct course with the correct time and instructor. Refer any student needing help to the registration office. Students need to know their teacher's name, course number, emergency exits, designated areas in the event of an evacuation, location of restrooms and lunch areas, services available to students, such as support for students with disabilities. You may have noticed in the last couple of weeks the long lines in the registration offices. Those were students registering for new courses. Our Teacher Advisors have been using DACE-SIS to enroll students into classes and completing Individual Student Pathway forms, or ISPs. The process has extended the registration time for each student but everything ran smoothly and our students have been patient. For the next registration, we will reflect and make improvements to better help our students. The LARAEC Spring Conference date has been announced for Saturday, March 14. This is an important conference as it offers professional development for educators and updates on educational funding. Have a great start of the Spring Semester.



Important Dates

- January 27 Second Semester Begins
- January 29 50th Anniversary Committee Meeting
12:45 pm Rm. 8 NVOC
- January 31 PLC meeting NVOC
- February 12 50th Anniversary Committee Meeting
12:45 pm Rm. 8
- February 17 Presidents Day
- February 21 50th Anniversary and Job Fair at NVOC

Reminders for Teachers

To provide the best possible service to our students and to continue professionalism, here are some reminders for teachers:

- Report to work on time (instructors who report to their assignments late are to sign in on the Late Folder and later sign in on their time cards)
- Write attendance numbers in the folder in the main office
- Speak to an office staff when reporting your absence
- Communicate with your program teacher advisor for assistance with your course or students

The PLC Corner

The next PLC is this Friday, January 31 at NVOC.

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:

- Update forms for all classes need to completed and returned by this Friday, January 24.

Academic Teachers:

- Update forms for all classes need to completed and returned by this Friday, January 24.
- Continue to e-test students this week. We will provide you with a student gains report and individual skills profile report once your class is done e-testing.
- Make sure each student has an entry form, two tests on file, and an update form completed.

ESL Teachers:

- Update forms for all classes need to completed and returned by this Friday, January 24.
- New bookmarks for the spring semester will be available in a couple of weeks.
- Our first round of e-testing is scheduled to begin Monday, February 10.

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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CASAS eTesting News

NVOC ESL teachers have been preparing their students for CASAS eTesting in by using the CASAS Reading and Listening preparation components of Burlington English. Mr. Bartolomei’s students use iPads to take practice listening tests before they take the actual test. ESL teachers are reminded to pass out the Testing Bookmarks provided by the WIOA Office and show students how to fill them out. They’re an efficient way for students to keep track of their own improvement. The new bookmarks for the Spring semester will be distributed before testing starts. The next round of ESL CASAS Reading eTesting will start February 10 and Listening eTesting will start on March 2. The WIOA team will be providing all teachers with a schedule of testing at their respective locations. The WIOA Program Advisors can also advise teachers on other ways to help students improve their CASAS scores.

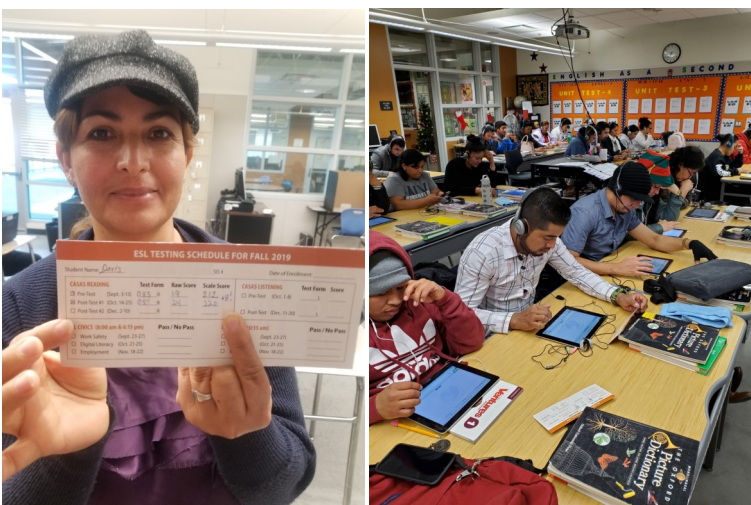
As you know, LAUSD is supporting the 2020 Census. All DACE schools are participating with El Civics lessons and assistance in completing Census forms on our campuses. ESL teachers will be receiving the new US Census preparation lessons the first week of February. Academic and CTE teachers will also be getting some Census information to discuss with and distribute to their students. Please feel free to contact the WIOA Office with any questions.

SkillsUSA

On Saturday, January 25, the NVOC Skills USA team participated in their first competition of the year at Pasadena City College from 7:30 until 4:00 PM. Our SkillsUSA students attempted to bring more championship banners back to NVOC. Nineteen students from the medical and automotive service courses represented the school at this all-day event. Winners will be announced in a little over week. Those winners will move on to the state competition which will be held in April in Riverside. We are sure our students did great. SkillsUSA is a national membership association serving students teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce. SkillsUSA helps each student excel.

Census Shirts Support SkillsUSA

Cool and stylish Census T-shirts are now available in the NVOC bookstore. These nifty shirts commemorate the 2020 Census Campaign and will be sure to become a collector’s item. Make sure you are not left out and purchase a t-shirt for \$20. Part of the fee goes to support the NVOC SkillsUSA students as they compete in regional and state competitions. Shirts are available in men and women designs.



Left: **Doris Franco** proudly showing the CASAS bookmark success; Right: **Mr. Bartolomei’s** students using Burlington software to practice for CASAS testing.