

East Los Angeles Skills Center

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Empowering Students!!

Welcome to East Los Angeles Skills Center

The newsletter is our way of communicating important information to students and staff throughout the school year. We ask that you take the time to read through each publication to stay current on what's happening at the school. Important information about student achievement, school departments, and school schedules, notices from the District/Division, and important upcoming events, and much more will be included in each newsletter.

MISSION STATEMENT

The East Los Angeles Skills Center in collaboration with community-based organizations and stakeholders will provide access to educational programs and services to students to achieve their personal and or career goals through language acquisition, academic and career pathways.

SCHOOL-WIDE LEARNING OUTCOMES

The East Los Angeles Skills Center offers opportunities for all students to:

- Have access to an educational plan and course of study to increase employability
- Obtain technical skills for entry and advanced employment
- Acquire language and academic skills for advanced educational options and careers

VISION

To be a dynamic educational and job training institution to empower students to be college prepared and career ready.

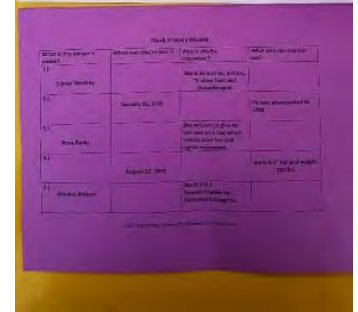
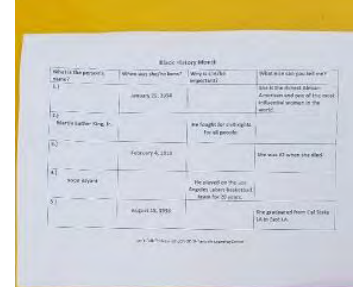
As you all know, we are coming closer to our WASC Accreditation visit. Attached is the Action Plan.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or comments, please send your feedback to Mr. Rico, no later than Thursday, at 12 noon.



ESL ACTIVITIES

On January 19th, in preparation of Black History Month this February 1st, students at Eastside participated in a Let's Talk Friday activity about Black History. The students asked each other, in the different ESL level classes, questions in an info-gap activity about notable African-Americans. They then wrote down the answers in their worksheets. Then the teachers and students went over the questions and answers together.



We have a very active Student Council at East Los Angeles Skills Center. They meet every second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 9:45 am - 10:15 am.

These students share feedback and ideas from fellow students and plan and participate in school-wide events.



CTE IN THE NEWS

Allied Health Graduation - December 15, 2017



HealthCare Talent Representatives, Natasha Smiggs and Lynne Rogers, were present at the graduation of our CNA/MA students. We thank them for their continued support of our students with CNA scholarships to the following students: Anahi Mejia, Monica Hernandez, Oscar Mendoza, Adriana Muneton, Stephanie Chavez.

ELASC SUCCESS STORIES

Jenny Chin, former CNA



Jenny Chin previously attended East Los Angeles Skills center and obtained her Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) and Home Health Aide (HHA) certificates.

Since then, she has worked in a nursing home, adult day care facilities, and in home health. She was then accepted into the nursing program at PCC where she recently graduated in Registered Nursing from Pasadena City College (PCC). During her RN program, she was able to utilize her experience as a CNA and HHA to further assist her in her goal of obtaining her RN license. She strongly believes that the transition from CNA to RN was a smooth and helpful transition into the healthcare field. Throughout her journey, Jenny has met many individuals that share the same passion for nursing. She hopes to inspire more people to pursue a career in nursing. Her ultimate goal is to work as an RN at Los Angeles County+USC Medical Center (LAC+USC). Thank you for attending our Allied Health ceremony and inspiring our Allied Health students. We are very proud of both you & your instructor, Ms. Margie Quintanar.



**Patricia Mendoza,
Cosmetology Student**

Patricia Mendoza completed a Career pathway. When she came to ELASC she was interested in the Cosmetology program, but at that time the class was closed for enrollment, so; she signed up for Manicuring. She also wanted to get her high school diploma so; she enrolled into our HISET preparation class, while attending the manicuring class.

She completed Manicuring, passed her HISET exam, and moved on to the Cosmetology program. Last summer, she completed the Cosmo program and she recently took and passed the state board exam. She is making plans to open up her own business. Congratulations to you and your instructor, Ms. Diana Mercado.

East Los Angeles Skills Center Welcomes...



Vartohi Ohanian has been working with LAUSD since 1998. She first started as an office assistant, then took exams and was promoted to other positions. Before she came to East Los Angeles Skills Center, she obtained a Bachelor's degree from CSUN and was most recently working as a senior financial manager at Eagle Rock High School. Vartohi could not be happier to now be working here at ELASC.

She has a wonderful husband and two kids that she is very proud of. Her daughter is an entertainment attorney, and her son, Sev Ohanian, is a Hollywood producer and writer who just won the Sundance Institute / Amazon Studios Producer of the Year award at this year's Sundance film festival; he is also an adjunct professor at USC. Congratulations to your son and you. Welcome Ms. Ohanian!

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

The L.A. Clippers Foundation have joined with the non-profit Vision To Learn to provide free eye exams and eyeglasses to any District youngster who needs them. Officials estimate this may impact as many as 10 percent of L.A. Unified students.

This is the third year the Clippers have supported Vision To Learn, which previously provided vision services to more than 90,000 students in the Inglewood and Long Beach Unified School Districts.

Over the next two years, eye exams will be administered to students at all L.A. Unified schools, beginning with Flournoy Elementary. The exams will feature Clippers-branded mobile clinics.



Happy Birthday

Terry Ortega

01/02/2018

Efren De Los Reyes

01/16/2018

Brian Hunter

01/20/2018

Lynda Daniel

01/27/2018

Jennifer Arriola-Giglio

01/29/2018

Carrie Jung

02/02/2018

Gus Campos

02/06/2018

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

HiSET DATES

- Every Tuesday we offer we offer testing. You need to register a week in advance.

What's Happening?

- 01/31/18: Employer Advisory Board B&G, Accounting & Real Estate, 1:00 – 3:30
Evans CAS
- 02/01/18: Deadline for feedback to Mr. Rico on WASC Action Plan, 12 noon
- 02/05/18: CASAS Post-Test Trimester Classes
- 02/05/18: El Civics Soft Skills, Semester classes
- 02/07/18 : Laurel Adler WASC Visiting Chair coming to visit us @ 11 am
- 02/19/18: **Presidents Day Holiday, No Classes**

East Los Angeles Skills Center Office Hours


Monday–Friday: 7:30am – 4:30 pm
Saturday: 7:30 am – 12:00 pm

Eastside Learning Center Office Hours

Monday–Thursday: 7:30am–8:30 pm
**Friday: 7:30 am – 3:30 pm & Saturday:
7:30 am – 12:00 pm**

TABE Reading Test Schedule

**ELASC: Monday - Thursday @
8:30 am – 2:00 p.m.**
**Eastside: Monday - Thursday @
9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**



Flintbank USD | Culver City USD | Los Angeles CCO | Los Angeles USD | Montebello USD

SAVE THE DATE LARAEC 2018 CONFERENCE
MARCH 10, 2018 | 8:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. | LOCATION TBA
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