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Important Dates

May 25 – Memorial Day (No classes)

May 27 – ESL Department Zoom Meeting 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

May 27 – Academic Department Zoom Meeting 12:45 pm- 1:45 pm

May 28 – No CTE Meeting this week.

May 31 – World No tobacco Day

Reflection Corner - to our students

“Completing schoolwork remotely, while living in a state of uncertainty about what the future holds, is incredibly difficult. After all, how do you stay motivated? How can you make your schoolwork a priority? How do you deal with the fact that you can only communicate with your teacher from a distance?”

Perhaps the toughest part about this pandemic is that while it has put our lives on hold to a large degree, it has not stopped time. The world keeps turning, and all of us have to find ways to function and remain positive with each new day.

We don't want a single one of you to get lost in the shuffle. We want all of you to be able to achieve the goals and dreams you have for your adult life. If earning your diploma and/or passing your HiSET plays a role in your goals and dreams, then that's what we are here for.

Remember, as long as you can see the work, on a computer, tablet or phone, write your answers on paper, send a photo of your work via phone, or email, it doesn't need to be more complicated than that right now.

Let us know you're doing okay, wherever you are, and that you're not going to compromise your goals and dreams because of our current global challenges.

My final thought and wish for you today: The past will always be a memory, and the future will always be uncertain. It's the present that you can hold onto, and where you have power. Use your power to make positive decisions for yourself today, and throughout the week. We're here to support you whenever you need us.

Steve Ferguson – ACCT Advisor

Happy Birthday to:

Mayra Linares-May 18

Alex Pickering: May 24

Aaron Saenz-May 25



Students Corner

To download zoom on the chrome books Connect to the Chrome web browser. Connect to our school website homepage. Scroll down to **Zoom install for Chromebooks.**

Click on that link.

Click on the **Install blue button.** Easy! There are directions for zoom install for both Android and iPhones, too.

To activate your LAUSD Student Single Sign-on e-mail account and how to reset your password in both, English and Spanish go to our website: www.eastlaskillscenter.org

Other students' resources can be found at: www.thedailypositive.com/resources/
www.verywellmind.com
www.mindful.org

Teachers Corner

Kudos to Mr. Calderon and Mr. Ruiz (mentioned in the students' mail) for their great teaching, evidenced by the caring words from one of their students.



“Hello. Mr. Calderon. This is Aaron (Xie). I hope all is well with you and your family. I want to share with you and Mr. Ruiz my recent learning process (and to keep in touch). I've just finished helping my uncle remodel his new home in South El Monte. I can't help but relate all you've taught me in PV and Solar Thermal have come handy. Big plumbing lessons from soldering to small tips like

using bread in copper pipes to temporary stop water have prepare me to be helpful in the whole remodeling work. I'm very grateful for how well you've prepared me down this path. Thank you Mr. Calderon, please stay healthy and well.”



Continuity of Learning (Instruction)

To transition to online instruction has been a technological challenge for all of us. But our teachers have shown the capacity to adapt and have taken numerous trainings, made the necessary changes to their daily instruction and designed lessons that will improve in quality as the new paradigm shift finally takes roots. They make themselves available to the students daily. They use Remind, Zoom, and Schoology and are now learning other tools to add to their tool box and improve the quality of their repertoire. Their weekly schedule is full of preparation time, design of new activities, zoom meetings, cohort conversations, homework correcting, and a whole array of other instructional issues that have made our schools proud of our teachers during this surreal times. We continue teaching our students critical thinking skills that will empower them to adapt to this new world. And we have seen signs that most people are beginning to realize the value of our profession. Perhaps something greater will come out of this, when the teaching profession finally gets its due recognition.

“The further a society drifts from the truth, the more it will hate those who speak it.”

George Orwell

Our Mission: 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.

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