



# West Valley Occupational Center Weekly Bulletin

## SkillsUSA Members

This year West Valley Occupational Center will be participating in SkillsUSA Regional Competition scheduled at Los Angeles Trade Tech on February 3, 2018. Let's congratulate our students and teachers who are officially a Chapter of SkillsUSA. The programs that are participating include Cosmetology, Esthetician, Networking, and Video Production from the CTE department.

Our students must be successful at the regional contests in order to advance to the state SkillsUSA California State Championships and Leadership Conference. Gold medal winners at the state level have the opportunity to advance to the 53rd Annual National Leadership and Skills Conference held in June in Louisville, Kentucky.

WVOC is very proud of the following school participants:

*Instructors* - May Lahham, Cosmetology; Richard Fischetto, Networking; Shamiran Yermilova, Esthetician; Peter Shushtari, Video Production.

*Students* - Leonard Perlmutter, Ekaterina Lavrentyeva, Yanell Delgadillo, Brittany Kingsbury, Gracia Means, Megan Thorne, Tera Vasquez, Claudia Araujo, Christine Nilsen, Jim Layton, Jorgen Gilcrease, Ericka Gonzalez, Alexander Quiroz, Marco Ferreira, Lesly Villanueva, and Amaris Vazquez.

Let's cheer on our fellow colleagues and students on their journey for the GOLD!



## Campuses and Hours

**West Valley Campus**  
(818) 346-3540

### Counseling Office

Monday – Friday  
8:15 AM – 4:00 PM  
and  
Monday – Thursday  
5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

### ESL Office

Monday & Wednesday  
8:15 AM – 12:00 PM  
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM  
5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Tuesday/Thursday/Fri  
8:15 AM – 9:45 AM

**Reseda Campus**  
(818) 758-3700

Monday – Thursday  
3:00 PM – 8:00 PM

**Van Nuys Campus**  
(818) 778-6000

Monday – Thursday  
3:00 PM – 8:00 PM

### ESL

#### Winter Term

Sign-up ESL Assessment:  
Now until November 30<sup>th</sup>

Assessment Test:  
Now until December 13<sup>th</sup>

Winter Term Ends March 2<sup>nd</sup>,  
2018

### TABE ASSESSMENT

WVOC Campus (Room 102): Tuesday: 9 am, 12 pm, or 6 pm

Reseda CAS: Tuesday, 6:15 pm

Van Nuys CAS: Wednesday, 5:45 pm

### WINTER RECESS

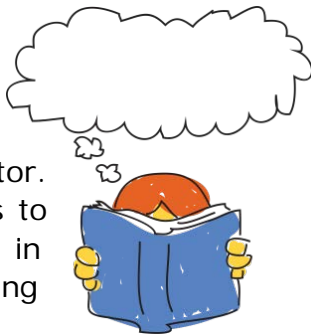
December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017

to

January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## Evidence-Based Reading Instruction (EBRI) Institute

CALPRO is offering Professional Learning Opportunities to teachers interested in becoming an EBRI Reading instructor. DACE requires all teachers to complete the training in order to teach the Reading curriculum.



The training module helps participants understand the four parts of this program; alphabetic, vocabulary, comprehension and fluency. Within the program, student will also be able to improve their writing instruction by applying (1) researched-based instructional techniques, (2) protocols for analyzing students' work, and (3) guided instructional plans.

If you are interested, please complete the application no later than Wednesday, December 13. Ms. Lee will provide the administrators approval at that time. All applications will be sent as one group prior to the January 8, 2018 deadline.

## West Valley Toy Drive *Remember the Kids*



The Student Council from West Valley will collect toys from December 4 to December 13 for the children in our community.

Toys can be dropped off at the Main Office. Your donation will bring a smile to a child's face in the upcoming holiday. Let's continue helping the kids.

## Reseda and Van Nuys Student Council

Ana Rubalcava, our Asst. Principal of Adult Counseling Services, has started Student Councils at Reseda CAS and Van Nuys CAS. There is a great deal of enthusiasm and will offer students an opportunity to represent their class and share their ideas and concerns.



The students are looking forward to working on the activities this coming year. Students will join the WVOC

## College Shirt Wednesdays

If you've noticed a number of staff members have been wearing college shirts on Wednesday. Well, it's not just a coincidence! Wearing college shirts provides an opportunity to have conversations with students and staff about colleges and their future. Staff can share their own college experience, promote college attendance, or ask students about their own educational goals. We hope to promote a culture that encourages students to feel like they, too, can go to



college. We invite you to join in wearing college shirts every Wednesdays. And even if you don't support a specific college, go ahead and ask questions about different schools!

## Life After the Diploma Workshops

*Life After the Diploma (LAD) Workshops* are one of the tools WVOC Academic staff has developed to help students understand their options after receiving a diploma. This bridge class is presented by the Academic Pathway Advisors and Pierce College counselors. The workshop includes completing the FAFSA, enrolling procedures at Pierce College, benefits of career technical training to pay for college. Last week we hosted a day workshop. **Another LAD workshop will be offered Monday night, Dec. 4th from 7-8:30 pm.** This free workshop is appropriate for both academic and CTE students.



### Faculty and Staff Holiday Appreciation

Administration would like to invite our faculty and staff to celebrate the holiday season. Please join us for refreshments on:

**Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

*WVOC Conference Room*

10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

At Reseda & Van Nuys Campuses: 7:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.







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### Hi Set Exam

The last Hi Set Exam for this calendar year will be given at Reseda CAS on December 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>.

The deadline to pay is December 6<sup>th</sup>. Please see Ms. Ana Rubalcava, APACS, if you have any questions.

### Academic PLC Meeting

Date: Wednesday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>

Time: 10:30 am - 1:30 pm

Room: 6

### WVOC Teacher Advisor Meeting

Date: Wednesday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>

Time: 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Room: 209