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COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS

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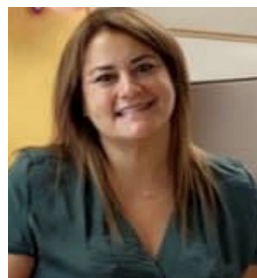
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"Building Upon Knowledge and Wisdom"



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Community Connection



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Welcome Back and Happy New Year!...As we begin the second semester, I encourage you to stay informed as we continuously are providing updates on our eventual plan for students to physically return to campus safely. As Superintendent Beutner indicated during his weekly address, COVID-19 levels in the Los Angeles area are at dangerously high levels and getting worse with 1 in 5 residents now testing positive for the virus. We will continue to prepare reopening plans to provide what schools need to open as soon as possible in the safest way possible once health standards are met. However, at this time we will continue with distance learning until further notice.

We continue to support our students with distance learning strategies that support standards based curriculum, social emotional learning, and improving student engagement. In an effort to support ongoing student learning, we have increased our teacher office hours, increased synchronous learning time, and provided our teachers with additional professional development. I encourage you to ensure your child logs on daily and attends school regularly to continue their opportunities for learning. I welcome your feedback at pdamonte@lausd.net

Safe Steps to Safe Schools

TESTING UPDATE

• At this time testing is available to:

- LAUSD students
- LAUSD employees
- Household members of an LAUSD student and employee
- Children participating in the LAUSD Childcare program

• Hours of Operation

- Monday to Friday 7:15-4:15
- Saturday testing (TBD)

• Scheduling an Appointment

- All individuals must schedule an appointment prior to being tested.
- Appointments can be made at <https://achieve.lausd.net/covidtestingappt>
- Call the hotline (213) 443-1300

**I got tested
for COVID-19**
at Los Angeles Unified!

To schedule yours, go to
dailypass.lausd.net



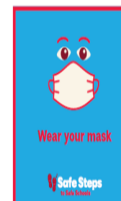
1 Get tested for COVID-19

Knowing where the virus is in the community is how we know when to go back to school safely.



2 Commit to Healthy Behaviors

Wear your mask, socially distance and wash your hands to prevent the spread of COVID-19.



3 Use the Daily Pass

With the Daily Pass, employees, parents, and students can book their COVID-19 test appointments, get their results, answer the Daily Health Check questions and get a Daily Pass that admits you onto a campus or office.



Community of Schools Highlights



Congratulations Madison Middle School

Madison Middle School has been approved to begin an Armenian Dual language 2-Way Immersion Program beginning August 2021. The program will begin with one cohort in sixth grade. Congratulations to Principal Parker and the entire Madison MS community for supporting a much needed program.



**VAN NUYS /
VALLEY GLEN
COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS
&**

**NORTH HOLLYWOOD /
VALLEY VILLAGE
COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS**

TOWN HALL MEETING

WHEN:

**Friday,
January 15, 2021**

3:00-4:00 p.m.

Please join us!



**VAN NUYS-VALLEY GLEN
COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS**
"Building Upon Knowledge and Wisdom"

**ZOOM
WEBINAR ID#
890 3574 0494**

**PASSWORD:
171754**



Spreading Holiday Cheer to our Community



**Ms. Damonte,
VNVG Community of Schools
Administrator**



**Sylvan Park EL
Principal Escartin receives
donations from Costco**



**Ms. Cuellar,
VNVG Community of Schools
Instructional Specialist**

RETURN TO CAMPUS

FAMILY GUIDE

2020 - 2021

<https://reopening.lausd.net/familyguide>

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE



- Contact the school if you have a technology concern or need to request a device.
- You can also contact Local District Northeast if you are unable to reach the school.
- Local District Northeast will reach out to the principal at your request.
- 1 hotspot for each household.

PARENT PORTAL REGISTRATION

Have you registered for Parent Portal? ¿Se ha registrado para una cuenta de Parent Portal?

Monitor Progress towards Graduation
Darle seguimiento al progreso hacia la graduación

Check Attendance
Verificar asistencia

Monitor Grades and Assignments
Darle seguimiento a calificaciones y tareas

Update Emergency Contact Information
Medio de actualizar la información para casos de emergencia

Get Information on English Learner Progress
Obtener información sobre el progreso de los aprendices del inglés

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
PARENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Resources:

Hotlines (6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.)

Families: 213-443-1300 Employees: 213-241-2700

<http://achieve.lausd.net/resources>

Mental Health Support (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

Student and Families: 213-241-3840

<http://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16559#spn-contents>

Division of Special Education Website:

<https://achieve.lausd.net/sped>

Local District Northeast Resources for Parents

Call: 818- 252-5400 (7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

Email: LDNorthEast@lausd.net

<https://sites.google.com/lausd.net/ldne-resources-for-parents/home>

Device Connectivity

213-443-1300

<http://achieve.lausd.net/itd>



Student Engagement During Distance Learning

What's my level of engagement?

Disrupting	Avoiding	Withdrawing	Participating	Investing	Driving
Distracting others	Looking for ways to avoid work	Being distracted	Doing work	Asking questions	Setting goals
Disrupting the learning	Off-task behavior	Physically separating from the group	Paying attention	Feeling like what you are learning is important	Seeking feedback
			Responding to questions		self-assessment



SCHOOL EXPERIENCE SURVEY

October 26th, 2020 to **February 5, 2021**



<https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/8397>

Complete the School Experience Survey by February 5

Los Angeles Unified's School Experience Survey launched on Monday, October 26th, for students, parents and staff, with a questionnaire that provides important feedback about the teaching and learning environment on their campus, including their distance-learning experience.

The survey window has been extended until January 22, and there are separate online questionnaires for parents and school-based staff and for students in Grades 4-12. The surveys can be completed on any digital device, including the computers provided by Los Angeles Unified to students and families.

While a limited number of paper surveys are available at schools for parents to complete, parents are strongly encouraged to utilize the online questionnaire to protect the health and safety of all in the school community. The link to the parent survey is <https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/8397>

The survey takes just a few minutes to complete, with questions covering academics, school climate and social-emotional learning for students. It's important that *everyone* complete the survey, as the results help school leaders make decisions about their campus.

**SCHOOL &
FAMILY**

**SUPPORT
SERVICES**

Do you have questions about...

- The special education process.
- Special education policies and procedures.
- Extended School Year (ESY) enrollment.
- Regular School Year (RSY) enrollment for students with IEPs.

Tienes preguntas sobre ...

- El proceso de educación especial.
- Políticas y procedimientos de educación especial.
- Inscripción especial (ESY).
- Inscripción en el año escolar extendido (RSY) para estudiantes con IEP.

Contact:
Phone: (213) 241-6701
Email: spedsfss@lausd.net
Monday-Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM



Call Los Angeles Unified's Student & Family Wellness Hotline


Consultations, Support & Referrals



Need help?
Call (213) 241-3840
 Weekdays 8 am to 5 pm

For support with:
 Mental health
 Immunizations
 Health insurance
 Food and housing
 Enrollment
 And more

Los Angeles Unified School District




Local District Northeast/Northwest

UMOJA

VILLAGE MOVEMENT MENTORING PROGRAM (Swahili Word Meaning Unity)

"Black student, faculty, staff or family: do you feel isolated? If so, let's break the isolation and build community. Join the Umoja Village Movement Mentoring Program! A community designed and created just for you!"
We welcome everyone of African Descent.

- Meetings: Bimonthly, Wednesdays, 5:00-6:30 PM
- Afrocentric Art
- Cultural Enrichment Through Literacy and Exposure Opportunities
- Black Excellence Celebrations
- Black History Games - Field Trips
- Virtual College & HBCU Tours
- Mentorship



Register: [REGISTRATION](#)
 For More Information Contact:
Mary.Jackson-Freeny@lausd.net or 818-456-7945

"Where the Black Community Comes Together to Learn, Play and Grow"

Los Angeles Unified School District
 Student Health and Human Services
 School Mental Health

Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Line

**Families & Educators
Need Support?**



CALL (213) 443-0165
 for consultation, support & referrals for Birth - 5
Weekdays 8 am - 5 pm

Your call will be answered by Early Childhood Mental Health Consultants, trained psychiatric social workers who are standing by to provide you with:

- Information to help nurture the healthy development of children birth-5 years old
- Parenting support to help build on the parenting skills you already have, including how to manage challenging behaviors and build a nurturing relationship with your child
- Referrals to community resources and other services
- Parent support during distance learning

Wed. January 27, 2021

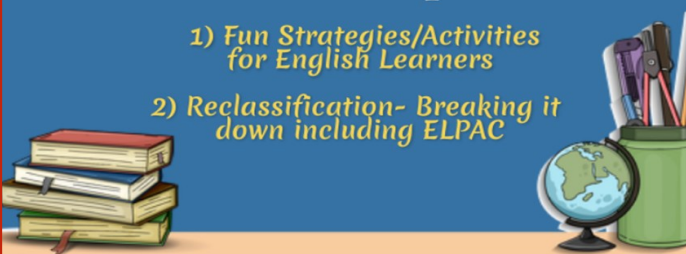
English Learner CONFERENCE for Parents

1:00 p.m - 4:00p.m.
Zoom ID: 989 1141 2633
Passcode: 2018


"English Learners Achieving in Difficult Times"
Workshops

1) Fun Strategies/Activities for English Learners

2) Reclassification- Breaking it down including ELPAC



Los Angeles Unified School District
 Office of Parent and Community Services and
 Local District Northeast




Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Study Group 2020 - 2021

The LCAP Study Group purpose is to:

- Build understanding about the LCAP with Local District parent leaders
- Capture parent feedback about LCAP programs and funding
- Provide parents with opportunities to serve on the District-level Parent Advisory Committee

Please join us on Zoom!
All parents are welcomed and encouraged to participate.



The School is the Heart of the Community
 La Escuela es el Corazón de la Comunidad

Meeting Dates:

#1: Orientation
 Wednesday, September 30, 2020
 Time: 2:30 p.m.
 Meeting ID: 915 3366 7687
 Passcode: 2018

Election Meeting

Thursday, October 15, 2020
 2:30 p.m.

Meeting ID: 913 7718 9703
 Passcode: 126504

#2:
 Wednesday, October 28, 2020
 Time: 2:30 p.m.
 Meeting ID: 964 8912 4958
 Passcode: 2018

#3:
 Wednesday, December 9, 2020
 2:30 p.m.
 Meeting ID: 990 9407 7267
 Passcode: 2018

#4:
 Wednesday, February 24, 2021
 2:30 p.m.
 Meeting ID: 958 8382 7742
 Passcode: 2018

#5:
 Wednesday, April 7, 2021
 2:30 p.m.
 Meeting ID: 990 6937 6472
 Passcode: 2018

SAVE THE DATE

February 27, 2021

PRE K-12 AFRICAN AMERICAN PARENT EMPOWERMENT WINTER SUMMIT

BLACK EXCELLENCE: EMPOWERMENT THROUGH EDUCATION

Let's continue to build a
community of Black
Excellence!

BLACK STUDENT FORUM!

THE VILLAGE NATION PARTNERSHIP



SCHOOL CALENDAR



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SINGLE-TRACK INSTRUCTIONAL SCHOOL CALENDAR 2020-2021

JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
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	31	28 29 30
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
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26 27 28 29 30	23 24 25 26 27	21 22 23 24 25
	30	28 29 30 31
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
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25 26 27 28 29	22 23 24 25 26	22 23 24 25 26
		29 30 31
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
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19 20 21 22 23	17 18 19 20 21	14 15 16 17 18
26 27 28 29 30	24 25 26 27 28	21 22 23 24 25
	31	28 29 30

07/03/20 Independence Day Observed	01/11/21 Second Semester Begins
08/18/20 First Day of Instruction	01/18/21 Dr. Martin L. King Birthday
09/04/20 Admission Day	02/15/21 Presidents' Day
09/07/20 Labor Day	02/26/21 Cesar E. Chavez Birthday Observed
11/11/20 Veterans Day	03/29 - 04/02/21 Spring Recess
11/26 - 11/27/20 Thanksgiving Holiday	05/31/21 Memorial Day
12/21/20 - 01/08/21 Winter Recess	06/10/21 Last Day of Instruction

LEGEND:
◇ First Day/Last Day of Instruction
□ Legal/Local Holidays
□ School Recess
□ Unassigned Day (schools not in session)
□ Pupil Free Days *
□ Second Semester Begins

Instructional Days
Fall Semester..... 80
Spring Semester..... 100
Total..... 180

* Scheduled pupil free days are Monday, August 17, 2020 and Friday, June 11, 2021.

If a school selects Monday, January 11, 2021 as a pupil free day, then Friday, June 11, 2021 becomes an instructional day.

Board Approved
December 11, 2017

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



GRAB & GO

FOOD
CENTER

CENTRO DE COMIDA PARA LLEVAR

Free Meals Every Weekday
7:00 a.m.10:00 a.m.

**Please visit the following Grab & Go
Food Center within our Community of
Schools located at:**

Van Nuys Senior High School

Van Nuys / Valley Glen Community of Schools:

Cardenas EL

Chandler EL

Coldwater Canyon EL

Columbus EL

Dixie Canyon Comm. Charter

Erwin EL

Hazeltine EL

Kester EL

Kittridge EL

Monlux EL

Riverside Dr. Charter

Sherman Oaks EL

Sylvan Park EL

Van Nuys EL

Sylvan Park EEC

Madison MS

Millikan Charter & Perf. Arts

Van Nuys MS

Grant HS

London CDC

London HS

Rogers HS

Van Nuys SH

Contact Us:

Community of Schools

Administrative Office:

Madison MS

13000 Hart Street

North Hollywood, CA 91605

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Fax: (818) 299-5863

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