



Our Voices, Our Community

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**Connecting The Community Through
Collaboration, Communication, and Coordinated Supports**

Welcome!

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NoHo/Valley Village Community of Schools

Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2020 -2021 school year! I know that families, students, and our school staff are eager and excited to return. Thank you to our school principals, teachers, and school staff who are working hard every day to ensure our students and families are supported during this period of distance learning.

This year we are excited that all LAUSD Local Districts have transitioned to the "Community of Schools" model allowing us to personalize resources by communities, to better serve our students, their families and to empower local decision-making.

As we begin the school year, I welcome the opportunity to personalize schooling even more so that all students can have access to a quality education and graduate college and career ready.

As your Community of Schools Administrator, know that my team and I are here to serve you. Together, we will rise to meet these unprecedented challenges, and to meet the unique, individual needs of our students and school communities.

Respectfully,

Maria



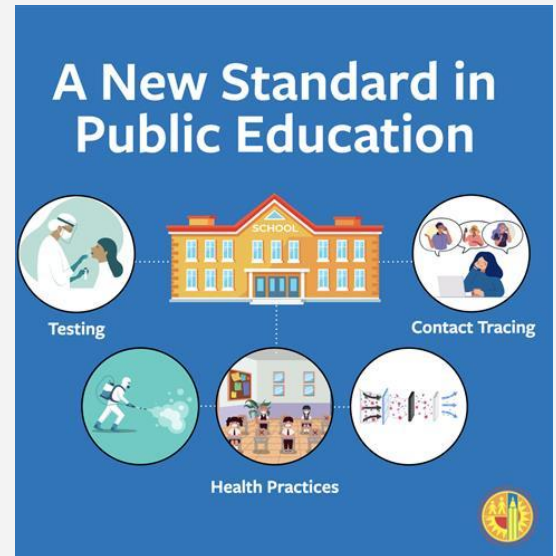
Los Angeles Unified Launches COVID-19 Testing & Tracing Program At Schools



Superintendent Austin Beutner announced the launch of a program that will provide regular COVID-19 testing and contact tracing to school staff, students and their families. As part of this plan, research will commence to study the impact and effects of reopening and this data will be available to the general public.

The testing and contact tracing program and its corresponding research are a groundbreaking collaboration between Los Angeles Unified School District and leading scientists from the University California Los Angeles (UCLA), Stanford University and the Johns Hopkins University, Microsoft, testing experts, and healthcare companies Anthem Blue Cross and Health Net. Together, they will be part of a task force co-chaired by Beutner and former U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan.

Testing then will be provided to all staff and students over time. The goal in this early phase is to establish a baseline. After that, there will be periodic testing of staff and students. The frequency and schedule for that testing will be set after the initial testing phase based on epidemiological modeling.



Virtual Learning + Positive Behavior

Creating a safe, predictable, healthy, welcoming, and affirming virtual learning will provide students with the opportunity to actively engage and participate. We will continue to be mindful of our schoolwide positive behavior plan commitments to **be safe, be respectful and be responsible**.

We are SAFE:

- Practice positive digital citizenship
- Meet in groups initiated/ approved by the teacher
- Keep video on

We are RESPECTFUL:

- Use encouraging and positive language
- Use respectful facial expressions and body language
- Honor one voice/speaker at a time
- Listen to each other
- Be open to others' opinions

We are RESPONSIBLE:

- Be prepared with materials
- Be on time
- Participate in the lesson/ be engaged
- Stay on topic and ask questions
- Work to your best ability

Michelle Campos: Parent Educator Coach

Staff Profile

I am a Parent Educator Coach with Local District Northeast. I am excited about our new configuration! I am honored to be assigned to support the amazing parents and community members of the North Hollywood and Valley Village areas. I look forward to working collaboratively with all stakeholders to ensure that students are college and career ready!

A majority of my work is with parents and community members. I sincerely enjoy helping all parents with connecting to the Parent Portal and Schoology (parent platform). I also support with parent education workshops that help parents with concrete practices to help support their children at home. Look for our workshops in this newsletter and more to come!

Having been with Local District Northeast for the past four years, I have witnessed how our local district honors student, staff, parent, and community perspectives. We want to hear your "voice" and the suggestions from our community of schools. Know that I am here to serve and support!

As a parent of three and grandparent of two, I know how challenging it is to juggle work, distance learning, and staying connected with extended family. I truly believe this new way of learning and living will make us stronger, more resilient, and productive citizens. WE shall overcome!

Welcome New Administrators!



Tammy Fernandez
Rio Vista ES,
Principal



Adriana Arriaga
Burbank ES
Kester ES
APEIS



Melissa Kishner
Carpenter ES
Oxnard ES
APEIS



Jennifer Wong
Lankershim ES
Sherman Oaks
APEIS

North Hollywood Complex

Fair EEC
Bellingham ES
Burbank Blvd ES
Camellia Ave ES
Carpenter Comm Chtr

Colfax CES
Fair Ave ES
Rio Vista ES
Sendak ES
Victory Blvd ES
Reed MS
Romer MS
Earhart HS
North Hollywood SH
Carlson Home/Hospital

East Valley Complex

Toluca Lake EEC
Lankershim ES
Oxnard St ES
Toluca Lake ES
East Valley SH
Science Academy STEM
Mag. (6-11)

#21BoldandStrong

North Hollywood/ Valley Village

Community of Schools

Town Hall Meeting

Friday, September 11, 2020

Join us for our

TOWN HALL MEETING

Friday, September 11, 2020

1:00 pm-2:00 pm

Please join our online town hall meeting for the latest updates!

Go to: www.zoom.us

Webinar ID:

957 4196 8448

Password: 247710

Family Resources

<https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/1698>



New Hours:

open daily
7 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Visit:

<https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16904>



Get a Parent Portal account today! Visit the website:

<https://parentportalapp.lausd.net/parentaccess/>

Resources on how to set up an account:
<http://bit.ly/parentportal&schoolology>

Parent Workshops

Week of 8/24/20

Wellness, Healthy Relationships, and Motivating Students During Distance Learning

Join us via Zoom: www.zoom.us
with Meeting ID: 920 2089 9142

Meeting link:

<https://zoom.us/j/92020899142>

Tuesday, August 25
Spanish at 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 25
English at 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 26
English at 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 27
Spanish at 1:00 p.m.

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

Families: (213) 443-1300

Employees: (213) 241-2700

Mental Health Support (8 a.m.- 5 p.m.)

Student and Families:

(213) 241-3840

<https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16559#spn-content>

Local District Northeast Resources for Parents (7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.)

Call: (818) 252-5400

Email: LDNorthEast@lausd.net

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

Device Connectivity

Call: (213) 443-1300

Division of Special Education



Resources for Parents of Students with Disabilities
Recursos Para Padres de Alumnos Con Discapacidades

The Division of Special Education has a frequently updated web page, in Spanish and English, with supplemental resources to support your child's distance learning experience. This web page features instructional resources, information about related services and early childhood special education, an informational video about virtual IEP meetings, and links to other websites with resources and information for families of children with disabilities. Please visit this helpful web page at:

LAUSD Special Education COVID Website: <https://achieve.lausd.net/sped>

LAUSD Special Education Website:

For important "Back to School" information from the Division of Special Education visit:

<https://bit.ly/BacktoSchoolLAUSDSpEd>

Virtual IEP Team Meetings:

Virtual IEP Team Meeting Informational Video for Parents:

<https://lausd.wistia.com/medias/fz1wtbqqkd%20>

Frequently Asked Questions

A new FAQ is on SPED website in both English and Spanish, which can be accessed at: <https://achieve.lausd.net/sped>



Special Ed. Service Center Northeast
Social Media:
Join us on Twitter for additional updates

@LDNortheastSped



**The School is the Heart of the
Community**



Positive Behavior & Support

As we begin the school year in our new classes and, for some of us, new schools, our students will be engaging in a wide range of activities designed to build an ideal school community which empowers all students to feel safe, connected, and to have a sense of belonging. By using a whole-child focus to ensure a school-wide positive culture and climate, schools may employ restorative practices to further support our students' social and emotional needs during this unprecedented time as we begin this school year using the distance learning model. Restorative practices include tools and strategies that help aid students to learn to resolve disagreements, take ownership of their behavior, and engage in acts of empathy and forgiveness.

*BE THE
reason
SOMEONE
FEELS
SEEN, HEARD
& SUPPORTED*

Thankfully, restorative practices are not limited to being implemented solely on school campuses, but they may also be followed at home. In the upcoming editions of our newsletter, we will include suggested activities for students and their family members to use at home in order to build stronger relationships, promote personal growth and responsibility, and engage in collaborative problem-solving. We are excited to support you and your students along this educational journey.

Restorative Practices Resources

Did you know you can add
[Inner Explorer](#) App in
Schoology for free?

**Inner Explorer is a [Pre-K - 12](#)
daily audio-guided mindfulness
program. For more information,
launch the link above. To learn
how to install it, click [here](#).



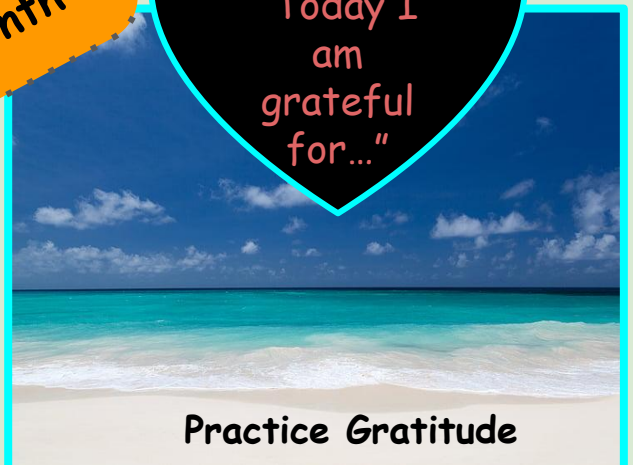
Schoology

Inner Explorer – Mindfulness

*August is
National
Wellness
Month*

Just checking in...

*"Today I
am
grateful
for..."*



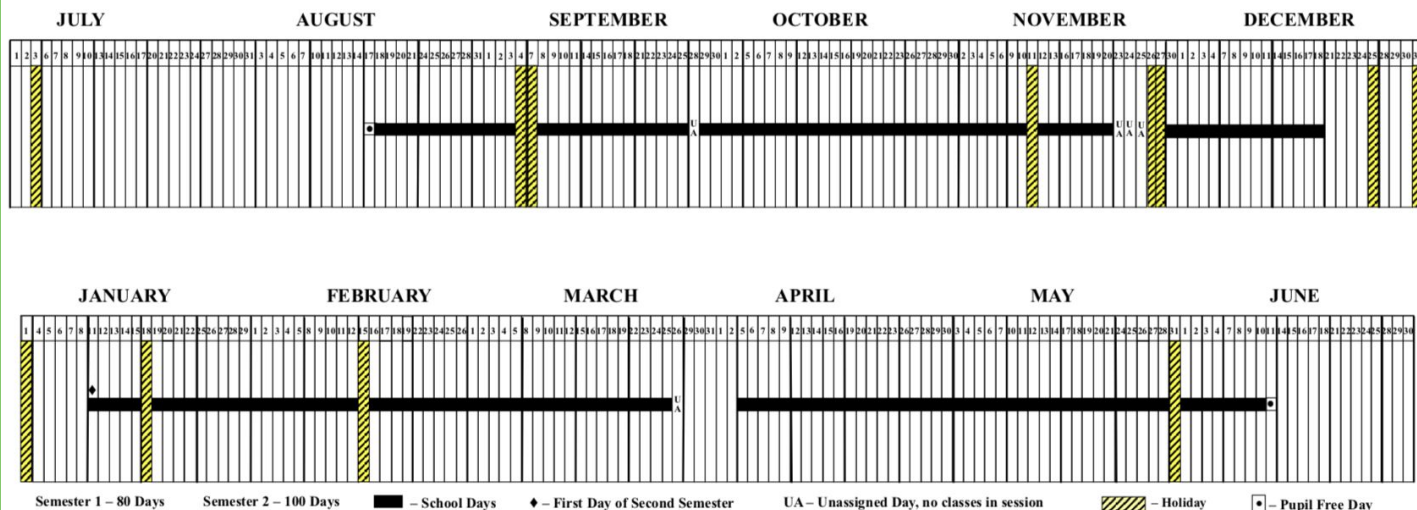
Practice Gratitude

Pupil Free Days
 Monday, August 17, 2020
 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 12, 2017

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



IMPORTANT DATES:

07-03-2020	Independence Day Observed	11-26 & 11-27-2020	Thanksgiving Holiday	03-26-2021	Cesar E. Chavez
08-18-2020	First Day of Instruction	12-21-2020 thru 01-08-2021	Winter Recess		Birthday Observed
09-04-2020	Admission Day	♦ 01-11-2021	Second Semester Begins	03-29 thru 04-02-2021	Spring Recess
09-07-2020	Labor Day	01-18-2021	Dr. Martin L. King, Jr.'s Birthday	05-31-2021	Memorial Day
11-11-2020	Veterans Day	02-15-2021	Presidents' Day	*06-10-2021	Last Day of Instruction

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Social Media Connection:



Facebook: Nohovalleyvillage Cos

Instagram: nohovalleyvicos



Twitter: @NOHOValleyViCOS

Website: <https://bit.ly/nohovvcos>

*"If you get tired
 learn to rest, not
 to quit." -Banksy*

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