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## CALENDAR

### ESL Pre-Articulation Meeting

With the ESL Evening Program on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at Eastside LC from 7:30pm to 8:30pm in the Conference Room.

### HiSET TESTING

February 14 & 15 at Eastside Learning Center. Please see your counselor for more information.

### ESL Promotion Testing

ESL Promo testing will start on Thursday 16th through 23rd. Pre-registration process starts on Monday, February 27th through Friday, March 3rd.

### ESL PLC MEETING

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm at the Skills Center.

Notes from

Ms. Rodriguez

Staff Please remember to keep track of equipment in your office/classroom. Should you need to get rid of something because it no longer works or move to another location, please contact Luis Trejo.



## CONGRATULATIONS



East Los Angeles Skills Center was proud to host its first college class taught by East Los Angeles College professor. 19 students successfully completed the Health 11 course, with more than half of the students earning an "A"! Congratulations to our current students who will earn both high school and college credit and kudos to our post graduates who have taken the first step toward earning an associate's degree and three college units. These students are on their way to achieving their goal of a college degree! These students have also successfully participated in college workshops, have completed a FAFSA application and have visited the ELAC campus. East Los Angeles Skills Center will be hosting more college courses in the very near future. Please come to the counseling office or contact Jenisha Hasselberger for schedules, and enrollment procedures.

## In the News In the News In the News

### CCAIE State Conference Call for Presentation:

Interested in Sharing your knowledge? There is an opportunity to present at the CCAIE State Conference in Long Beach. Please go to [www.ccaestate.org](http://www.ccaestate.org) for more information.

### Donate Blood to Save Lives:

Our next Blood Drive is scheduled for **Thursday, February 16, 2017 from 8:30 am to 8:30 pm at Eastside Learning Center.** Please encourage all of your students to donate.



### Academic Department Meeting:

The Academic Department meeting scheduled for Thursday 9 at the Skills Center is postpone. Please see or contact Ms. Family for more information.

### ATTEND CATESOL CONFERENCE FOR FREE:

DACE is sponsoring five ESL Teachers and/or ESL Teacher Advisors (for each school) to attend the Saturday, March 4th Los Angeles Regional Conference for CATESOL at Mt. San Antonio College in the city of Walnut.

ESL Advisors and ESL Teachers interested in attending will have to ask for the principal's signature on the Conference Request Form.

The Grammy Museum mission is to help students use music as a gateway to learning and as a way to inspire and cultivate creativity and critical thinking. The museum has designated the month of February to Celebrating Black History Month through music and has scheduled the following event:



### A Celebration of GRAMMY Week

February 8-10, 2017 11—12pm

For more information visit the Museum's web-site at [www.grammymuseum.org/education](http://www.grammymuseum.org/education).

# Student Corner

### PARKING:

Students are permitted to park their cars on campus only in areas designated for student parking. Staff is required to display a school parking permit (If one is available) when parked on school grounds. The Board of Education is not responsible for theft or damage to cars. School security personnel patrol the parking areas of the school as often as time and number of security personnel allow. Students are advised to remove all valuables and lock their cars before going to class. Do not park in spaces marked "Handicapped" without a permit. Tickets for violations are costly, especially for parking illegally in handicapped spaces. The administration cannot intervene once a ticket has been written.



Congratulations to Eliana Mendoza for successfully completing the ESL Advanced Low class and exiting the ESL Program at Aldama ES, a branch location of ELASC in the community of Highland Park.



This is Herman Amezola a former student who successfully completed the VESL/CNA Program at the Skills Center on October 2015. He started working as a CNA at Sunrise Beverly Hills where he is currently a Lead Care Manager. He is very happy at his new position and enjoys working in the Alzheimer and dementia department. He is coming back to school to improve his English skills because his goal is to enroll in the LVN program.

### ACCREDITATION CORNER

The Accrediting Commission for Schools Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) approved the substantive change and reaffirmed the accreditation status for East LA Skills Center through June 30, 2018. Therefore, we will be starting the process and plan for a Spring 2018 visit.

### **Professional Development Opportunities**

- ◆ **Effective Teaching in Adult Education:**

This module will introduce participants to new Adult Education Teacher Competencies. Participants will become familiar with the four domains and seventeen competencies included, and apply competencies to their own teaching in a variety of ways. It is scheduled for two Saturdays, February 11 and March 20, 2017 from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm .

- ◆ **What Teachers Need to Know About the English Language Proficiency Standards:**

This webinar is to interact with the guiding principles of the new English Language Proficiency Standards and consider how to apply to teaching. It is scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 1:00 pm.

All of the above PDs are sponsored by CALPRO. Please go to [www.calpro\\_announcement@listserv.air.org](mailto:www.calpro_announcement@listserv.air.org) for more information.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**THIS SHOULD BE US ALL THE TIME**



**NOT JUST FEBRUARY**

Happy (February) Birthday to....

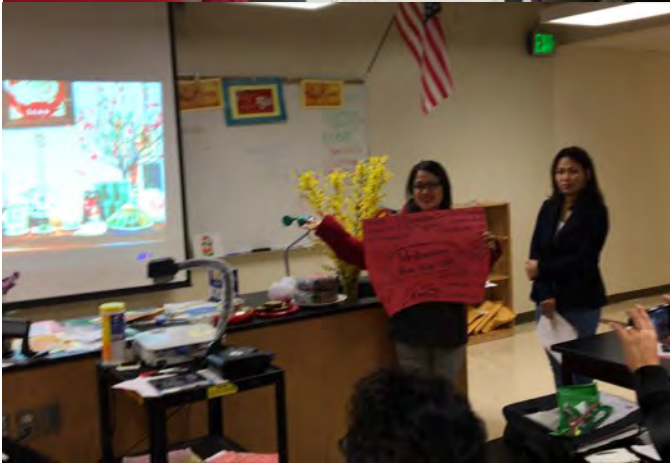
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### “LET’S TALK FRIDAY”

Let's Talk Friday activity at the Skills Center was a huge success. It was a cultural celebration day where students from Vietnam, China, Japan, and Korea gave presentations about their New Year traditions. Students prepared visual aids and brought in traditional clothing and food to share with students. Many of the intermediate and advanced level students gave presentations that were highly engaging, lasting over 30 minutes. Beginning Low and High students also taught phrases in Chinese and Vietnamese. Students learned how to say "How are you?", "Good Morning!", and "Happy New Year!". Students who listened asked questions such as: Why do you decorate with yellow flowers? How do you celebrate Chinese New Year? What is your favorite New Year tradition? What is the animal for this year? After the presentations, students shared what they learned either by giving a small presentation or sharing in small groups.





### “LET’S TALK FRIDAY”

Let's Talk Friday activity at Eastside Learning Center. The objective of this activity is for students to line up in groups of 10, the first student has a strip of paper with a sentence, the student reads the sentence to him/herself, then whispers it to the next student, and so on, till the 10th student, who then has to write it on a paper attached to a clipboard without help from the other students. Then another student reads a new sentence, and repeats the whispering for each student. At the end of the exercise, the students compare what they heard and wrote down with the original sentence, and usually hilarity ensues as they see how far off the written sentences are from the original sentences.



### “BEST PRACTICE IN THE ESL CLASSROOM”

Ms. Singer's ESL Intermediate Low class at Eastside LC had a fun learning activity. The students had to identify 20 different plants and herbs and research about their medicinal properties and possibly their usage in recipes. The students were allowed to touch, smell, and ask questions. It was an effective Cooperative Learning activity all done in English.

