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Office of Parent and Community Services

## October & November Newsletter

October 04, 2022

Dear PCS Parents, Families & Community Members,

We are starting the school year with positive energy and steering toward putting in place valuable support for the implementation of our strategic plan entitled **Ready for the World**. Please download a copy of the plan at [Click Here](#).

You will read how our students and families are integrated as valuable pieces of the puzzle to accelerate student achievement in each of the five pillars. One exciting highlight we want to elevate for you is that this strategic plan is fundamental to building stronger family engagement practices because the PCS strategic plan developed during the pandemic with members of the District-level committees is imbedded into Pillar 3.

This pillar specifically focuses on family engagement and the Office of Parent and Community Services is leading its implementation. Take some time to review Priority 3A entitled **Strong Relationships** and 3D **Honoring Perspectives**. As we continue to learn with you this year, we will communicate how the following strategies begin to take shape. This month we want to highlight the strategies for Priority 3A:

<b>STRATEGIES:</b>	<b>MEASURES OF SUCCESS</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support all school sites in developing a cohort of school volunteers and parent leaders</li> <li>• Develop resources and activities to promote regular school community events that engage family and staff</li> </ul>	<p>By 2026, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase the percentage of parents reporting on the School Experience Survey they feel welcome to participate at their school to 94% (from 86.3% in 2021-22)</li> <li>• Increase the percentage of students and parents or guardians linked on Parent</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Link every student to a parent or guardian on the Los Angeles Unified App and Parent Portal</li> <li>• Expand community schools to identify and build on community assets and relationships</li> <li>• Establish a Family Academy to equip families with the skills, information, and networking opportunities to support students' academic and social-emotional success</li> <li>• Provide opportunities for robust stakeholder engagement in the school budget development process</li> <li>• Offer professional development opportunities for educators to build capacity on strengthening relationships with families</li> </ul>	<p>Portal by 4% annually (from 81% in 2021-22)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduate at least 1,000 participants from Equity Course Pathways annually</li> <li>• Average at least 300 participants on Family Academy course catalog webinars</li> <li>• Host Annual School Goals and Budget Consultation processes at 100% of schools</li> <li>• Increase the percentage of volunteer applications that are processed within 30 days by 10% annually</li> <li>• Increase the percentage of families responding favorably on the School Experience Survey around overall customer service by 2% annually</li> <li>• Increase the number of school sites with employees completing the Family Empowerment micro-credential</li> <li>• Increase the number of community school initiative programs available in the District</li> </ul>
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### Family Engagement Strategy Highlights:

- **Parent Portal** is operating once again and available at <https://parentportal.lausd.net>. Families do not need to create a new password due to the cyber incident experienced this year though they may do so as they see necessary. The Parent Portal site includes step by step resources to help you open an email account, register in Parent Portal and to link your student to your account.
- **School Volunteer Program Management System** is operating once again and available at [achieve.lausd.net/volunteers](https://achieve.lausd.net/volunteers). The site includes a step-by-step guide to volunteering. Contact the school site to explore which volunteer opportunities are offered. For questions regarding COVID-19 vaccination for volunteers, the guide offers this information as well as the Safe Steps for Safe School site at <https://achieve.lausd.net/visitorinfo>.

- **The Family Academy Course Catalogue and Equity Course Pathways:** The Family Academy continues to build great momentum peaking at 1,300 participants. The schedule with webinar links and information is available at <https://achieve.lausd.net/familyacademy>. This site also includes PowerPoint presentations as well as recorded content. **A second segment** of this effort includes four courses with seven classes where families will develop community, learn about and define their role as empowered leaders, rights and responsibilities, and develop an action plan to stay engaged in their child's public education. The four equity pathways include **Youngest Learner Excellence, Multilingual Learner Excellence, Black Student Excellence, and Special Need Student Excellence**. These will begin to be scheduled with school sites during the late Fall semester.
- **School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committees:** School sites are finalizing the formation of their SSC and ELAC for the new year and school site leaders have been informed their Title I funds will be held if the committees are not formed by October 31, 2022. PCS celebrates the partnership with Federal State and Education Programs and Multilingual and Multicultural Education Division who partnered with PCS to update the training modules school sites use to lead required training.
- **Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Study Group:** As part of the Local Control Funding Formula, all school districts are to write a plan and organize a Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) to provide comments on the plan to the Superintendent. Please inform parents that we have started the study groups by Local District where families learn about the LCAP from a Local District point of view and where members are elected to the PAC. Please visit the following link to find a study group for your Local District: <https://achieve.lausd.net/pac>.

### **College Awareness Month:**

We want to remind you about celebrating College Awareness Month in October and beyond as we enter the Fall season. This may include using your child's free Metro Pass to visit a community college, a California State University, the University of California, and private colleges and universities. If you have questions about these contact us at [families@lausd.net](mailto:families@lausd.net) and we can offer you some ideas. You may also explore colleges and universities by visiting their websites. Some sample resources include the following:

- U.S New and World Report: <https://www.usnews.com/best-colleges/rankings/national-universities>
- Los Angeles Community College District: <https://www.laccd.edu/Pages/default.aspx>
- California State University System: <https://www.calstate.edu/attend/campuses>
- University of California System: <https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/>
- University of Southern California: <https://admission.usc.edu/meet-us/virtual-tour-programs/#/virtual-tours-and-programs>
- Loyola Marymount University: <https://www.lmu.edu/visit/>
- Occidental College: <https://www.oxy.edu/admission-aid/visit-explore-campus>
- Financial Aid Information from California Student Aid Commission: <https://www.csac.ca.gov/financial-aid-programs>

### **Latino Heritage Month**

Latino heritage is celebrated from September 15–October 15 to commemorate the independence, Indigenous, Afro, multilingual, and migrant heritage of the countries stretching from Canada, the United States, Central and South America. There are wonderful celebrations in our communities and valuable resources we can use to celebrate together.



I am like a drop of water on a rock. After drip, drip, dripping in the same place, I begin to leave a mark, and I leave my mark in many people's hearts.

**Rigoberta Menchu, Guatemala and [1992 Noble Peace Prize Winner](#)**

### **Resources to Explore with Our Children**

- City of Los Angeles Library: <https://www.lapl.org/latinx>
- Common Sense Media: <https://www.common Sense Media.org/celebrate-hispanic-heritage>

We appreciate and thank all our parents and families for their continued collaboration! If you have any questions, you may contact the Office of Parent and Community Services at [families@lausd.net](mailto:families@lausd.net), or by calling (213) 481-3350 and leaving a message. A member of our team will contact you.

# October Calendar Highlights & Zoom Information

## **Local District Northeast ELAC Delegate Convening**

EL Delegates elected by each school site English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) are invited to represent their school at the 2022-2023 Local District ELAC Delegate Convening. At the Convening they will have the opportunity to participate in the election process by nominating delegates and voting for the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) members for the 2022-2023 school year.

### **Friday, October 7, 2022**

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Zoom Link:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/88316044611?pwd=fJX5gkdM6ZNihNezCLWqN7ZHურიSE.1>

## **Local District Northwest ELAC Delegate Convening**

EL Delegates elected by each school site English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) are invited to represent their school at the 2022-2023 Local District ELAC Delegate Convening. At the Convening they will have the opportunity to participate in the election process by nominating delegates and voting for the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) members for the 2022-2023 school year.

### **Monday, October 10, 2022**

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Zoom Link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/86217577481>

## **Local District West ELAC Delegate Convening**

EL Delegates elected by each school site English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) are invited to represent their school at the 2022-2023 Local District ELAC Delegate Convening. At the Convening they will have the opportunity to participate in the election process by nominating delegates and voting for the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) members for the 2022-2023 school year.

### **Tuesday, October 11, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Zoom Link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/85339338044>

### **CAC Subcommittees**

CAC subcommittees will meet to discuss strategies to support families with exceptional needs.

#### **Wednesday, October 12, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Zoom

link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/82570192860?pwd=TFRIN2dlbzVndHFsekhEdFJ6R3gvQT09>

Meeting ID: 825 7019 2860

Passcode: 2022

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

### **Local District East ELAC Delegate Convening**

EL Delegates elected by each school site English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) are invited to represent their school at the 2022-2023 Local District ELAC Delegate Convening. At the Convening they will have the opportunity to participate in the election process by nominating delegates and voting for the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) members for the 2022-2023 school year.

#### **Wednesday, October 12, 2022**

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Zoom Link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/89757438174>

### **Local District Central ELAC Delegate Convening**

EL Delegates elected by each school site English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) are invited to represent their school at the 2022-2023 Local District ELAC Delegate Convening. At the Convening they will have the opportunity to participate in the election process by nominating delegates and voting for the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) members for the 2022-2023 school year.

#### **Thursday, October 13, 2022**

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Zoom Link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/81664388833>

### **Local District South ELAC Delegate Convening**

EL Delegates elected by each school site English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) are invited to represent their school at the 2022-2023 Local District ELAC Delegate Convening. At the Convening they will have the opportunity to participate in the election process by nominating delegates and voting for the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) members for the 2022-2023 school year. Zoom information continues on page 7.

**Friday, October 14**

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Zoom Link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/83419794103>

**PAC Member Training**

Members will gain an understanding of their role and responsibilities in the PAC.

**Monday, October 17**

Time: 10:00 am- 1:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/84504538657?pwd=QkVRa3pNeGZacWQxTkpZQVppTGRmUT09>

Meeting ID: 845 0453 8657

Passcode: 2022

Dial in by your location: +1 213 338 8477 US (Los Angeles)

**CAC Business Meeting**

The CAC Business Meeting will focus on Recoupment/Compensatory hours. Participants will provide recommendations on the topic and how it connects to the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Local Plan.

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/87026692734?pwd=bkk4b3prTmp6K1JnblhJS3VMa091Zz09>

Webinar ID: 870 2669 2734

Passcode: 2022

Telephone: +1 213 338 8477

**Virtual Academies ELAC Delegate Convening**

EL Delegates elected by each school site English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) are invited to represent their school at the 2022–2023 Local District ELAC Delegate Convening. At the Convening they will have the opportunity to participate in the election process by nominating delegates and voting for the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) members for the 2022–2023 school year.

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

Time: 2:00 pm – 5:00 p.m.

Zoom Link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/89850476296>

**PAC Officer Elections**

PAC members will elect the following positions: Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Parliamentarian and Public Relations Officer for the 2022-23 school year.

**Thursday, October 20**

Time: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/81688852046?pwd=RXZoZVhiU2tBL2lJRhdOejlEMXdDUT09>

Webinar ID: 816 8885 2046

Passcode: 2022

Or Telephone: Dial: 1 213 338 8477

**DELAC Member Training**

Members will gain an understanding of their role and responsibilities in the DELAC.

**Friday, October 21, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Zoom link:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/85194763681?pwd=SXBXRWYvcVppR2dvZlFIZURnSGZ6dz09>

Passcode: 2022

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

**Local District East School Site Council Training**

Members of the School Site Council are invited to learn more about developing the School Plan for Student Achievement and the allocation of funds to support various strategies and actions.

**Saturday, October 22**

Time: 8:30 am – 1:00 pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/81597327729>

Webinar ID: 815 9732 7729

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

**Local District West School Site Council Training**

Members of the School Site Council are invited to learn more about developing the School Plan for Student Achievement and the allocation of funds to support various strategies and actions. Zoom information continues on page 9.



**Saturday, October 22**

Time: 9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/88669637621>

Webinar ID: 886 6963 7621

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

**CAC Agenda Planning**

CAC Officers will plan the agenda for the November meeting.

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/83256371642?pwd=ZnlpR2ZEcFFeUxjb2VFbU9pRCsvdz09>

Webinar ID: 832 5637 1642

Passcode: 2022

Telephone: 1 213 338 8477

**DELAC Officer Election**

DELAC members will have the opportunity to participate in the election process by nominating themselves or other members for an officer position to the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) for the 2022–2023 school year.

**Thursday, October 27, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Zoom link:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/85159885305pwd=MmFvRVZNaVdjd2JYUXYwN0JsUCsvdz09>

Passcode: 2022

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

**Local District Central School Site Council Training**

Members of the School Site Council are invited to learn more about developing the School Plan for Student Achievement and the allocation of funds to support various strategies and actions.

**Saturday, October 29**

Time: 8:30 am – 11:30 am

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/88613169468>

Webinar ID: 886 1316 9468

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

### **Local District Northwest School Site Council Training**

Members of the School Site Council are invited to learn more about developing the School Plan for Student Achievement and the allocation of funds to support various strategies and actions.

#### **Saturday, October 29**

Time: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/85006015917>

Webinar ID: 850 0601 5917

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

### **October Family Academy Course Catalogue Monthly Webinars**

**October 12, 2022** – Life after High School Options: College, Career, Vocations and Military Service

**October 17, 2022** – Money for College: FAFSA and Financial Aid (Free Money and Funding Sources)

**October 24, 2022** – Deciphering your Child's State Test Scores

**October 26, 2022** – SSC and ELAC Ambassadors Session 1: Building Effective Communication and Partnership for Collaborative SSCs and ELACs

Time: 5:30–7:00p.m.

Zoom Link: <https://bit.ly/familyacademywebinar>

Webinar ID: 895 5755 5227

Passcode: 2022

View video recordings of past webinars and access resources related to webinars on the Family Academy Webpage: <https://achieve.lausd.net/FamilyAcademy>

## November Calendar Highlights & Zoom Information

### **CAC Subcommittees**

CAC subcommittees will meet to discuss strategies to support families with exceptional needs.

### **Wednesday, November 2, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Zoom

link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/82570192860?pwd=TFRIN2dlbzVndHFsekhEdFJ6R3gvQT09>

Meeting ID: 825 7019 2860

Passcode: 2022

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

### **DELAC Officer Training**

**Officers will gain an understanding of their role and responsibilities in the DELAC.**

### **Thursday, November 3, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Zoom link:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/85194763681?pwd=SXBXRWYvcVppR2dvZlFiZURnSGZ6dz09>

Passcode: 2022

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

### **Local District Northeast School Site Council Training**

Members of the School Site Council are invited to learn more about developing the School Plan for Student Achievement and the allocation of funds to support various strategies and actions.

### **Saturday, November 5**

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/89163896906?pwd=eVpzSEpqMFhXTzlla3ZQVEpUVVc4Zz09>

Webinar ID: 891 6389 6906

Passcode: LDNE

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

### **Local District South School Site Council Training**

Members of the School Site Council are invited to learn more about developing the School Plan for Student Achievement and the allocation of funds to support various strategies and actions.

#### **Saturday, November 5**

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/89499750701>

Webinar ID: 894 9975 0701

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

### **Roberts Rules of Order Training for District Level Committee Members CAC, DELAC and PAC (Day 1 of 3)**

#### **Robert's Rules of Order Basics**

Participants will learn how to have more effective meetings using Roberts Rules of Order. This session will focus on basic terms and how a committee can take action during a meeting.

#### **Monday, November 7**

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Zoom Link:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/82457828463?pwd=LzBHWnA0cGZKZ0tic0tudXpzcVJiQT09>

Meeting ID: 824 5782 8463

Passcode: 2022

Telephone: 213 338 8477

### **PAC Business Meeting**

PAC Members will receive an introduction to the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)

#### **Thursday, November 10**

Time: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/81688852046?pwd=RXZoZVhiU2tBL2lJRhdOejlEMXdDUT09>

Webinar ID: 816 8885 2046

Passcode: 2022

Or Telephone: Dial: 1 213 338 8477

**Roberts Rules of Order Training for District Level Committee Members  
CAC, DELAC and PAC (Day 2 of 3)**

Participants will learn how to have effective meetings using Roberts Rules of Order. This session will focus on voting, the effect of each vote and the role of the Parliamentarian.

**Monday, November 14**

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Zoom Link:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/82457828463?pwd=LzBHWnA0cGZKZ0tic0tudXpzcVJiQT09>

Meeting ID: 824 5782 8463

Passcode: 2022

Telephone: 213 338 8477

**CAC Training and Parent Awareness Session**

This CAC training will focus on the Dispute Resolution process. Participants will provide recommendations on the topic and how it connects to the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Local Plan.

**Wednesday, November 16, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/88502583181?pwd=M2R5YisvdFFXOVQxekMwcHIRTFlrUT09>

Meeting ID: 885 0258 3181

Passcode: 2022

Telephone: 213 338 8477

**DELAC Business Meeting and Training**

DELAC members will learn about the 2018 Master Plan for English Learners, identification, program options, reclassification, and the Seal of Biliteracy.

**Thursday, November 17, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/85159885305?pwd=MmFvRVZNaVdjd2JYUXYwN0JsUCsvdz09>

Passcode: 2022

Telephone Dial: 1 213 338 8477

**Roberts Rules of Order Training for District Level Committee Members  
CAC, DELAC and PAC (Day 3 of 3)**

Participants will learn how to have effective meetings using Roberts Rules of Order. This session will focus on putting into action what we have learned in prior training sessions.

**Monday, November 28**

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Zoom Link:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/82457828463?pwd=LzBHWnA0cGZKZ0tic0tudXpzcVJiQT09>

Meeting ID: 824 5782 8463

Passcode: 2022

Telephone: 213 338 8477

**CAC Agenda Planning**

CAC Officers will plan the agenda for the December meeting.

**Wednesday, November 30, 2022**

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/j/83256371642?pwd=ZnIwPR2ZEcFFeUxjb2VFbU9pRCsvdz09>

Webinar ID: 832 5637 1642

Passcode: 2022

Telephone: 213 338 8477

**November Family Academy Course Catalogue Monthly Webinars**

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

**November 2, 2022** – Digital Citizenship – Internet Literacy, Safety and Becoming a Digital Scholar

**November 7, 2022** – From English Learner to English Proficient and Beyond

**November 9, 2022** – SSC and ELAC Ambassadors Session 2: Understanding School Plans

**November 14, 2022** – Legislative Learning Session 2

**November 16, 2022** – The IEP Journey : A Program to Help Students Realize their Dreams

Time: 5:30–7:00p.m.

Zoom Link: <https://bit.ly/familyacademywebinar>

Webinar ID: 895 5755 5227

Passcode: 2022

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- **Los Angeles Unified Family Hotline – (213) 443-1300**

The Family Hotline is available for parents, families and employees. Please check the LA Unified website at <https://achieve.lausd.net/domain/4> for the hours of availability.

- **Special Education Family Hotline – (213) 241-6701**

Contact the Special Education Hotline for resources for students and families or visit their webpage at <https://achieve.lausd.net/sped>.

- **On Demand Homework Tutoring Services** are available to ALL Los Angeles Unified students. <http://Paper.co/lausd> is supporting students in elementary school while <http://Tutor.Com/LAUSD> is supporting students in middle and high school. For assistance contact your school site for guidance to connect with these services.

- **iAttend Attendance Awareness Month:** September accelerates our commitment to assisting families with maintaining daily school attendance. Visit the following webpage to learn about how families can support excellent attendance:  
<https://achieve.lausd.net/iattendlausd>.



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