NRCAL Highlight: Westminster School District

Welcomes the 2nd class of Vietnamese-English Dual Language Immersion Students

Westminster School District hosted their second annual Vietnamese/English Dual Language Immersion Commitment Night at DeMille Elementary, where they welcomed 48 new kindergarten students who will make up two classes (24 in each class) and their families. The purpose of the Family Commitment Night was to welcome the 48 families who enrolled their children into the Vietnamese/English Dual Language Immersion Program, share a pizza dinner as well as program goals, long term plans for the K-8 program, team build, sign the Commitment Form, and take the NRCAL parent survey.

As the first Vietnamese-English Dual Language Immersion program of its kind in California, implemented under the vision of Superintendent Dr. Marian Kim-Phelps and the WSD Board of Trustees, with the combined support of DeMille’s principal, Ms. Shannon Villanueva, the Executive Director of the Office of Language Acquisition, Ms. Renae Bryant, and various community associations including NRCAL, its importance as a model for upcoming Vietnamese-English Dual Language Immersion Programs cannot be overstated. With over 100 people in attendance this year, it is clear that Westminster School District is meeting a critical need of the community at large with this extremely popular program which currently has a waiting list for kindergarten.
Technology Tips for Teachers

Five Ways Teachers Can Use Video Chat in the Classroom

1. **Collaborative Learning with Other Schools**: Students will have the opportunity to connect with classrooms from across the United States and all over the world.

2. **Frequent and Higher-Profile Guest Speakers**: One solution to this difficulty is to have the guest speaker connect digitally with a classroom. Besides, potential connectivity issues, video chat’s flexibility helps facilitate more guest speakers in the classroom.

3. **Virtual Field Trips**: Virtual video trips can enhance students’ learning without them having to prepare for transportation, meal costs, or safety issues. Ohio’s Center if Science and Industry videoconferencing program allows classrooms to sit in on live surgeries while the Smithsonian’s free interactive videoconferencing program allows students to learn more about art.

4. **Connecting with Parents**: Video chat’s flexibility allows even the busiest of parents an alternative to the traditional face to face parent-teacher conference, thus allowing more parents to be involved with their children.

5. **Enhancing Safety**: Students can use video chat to inform a trusted teacher when they are feeling unsafe of when they are in need of assistance.

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Professional Development Opportunity

**Teachers Teaching Teachers**

When: September 17th 8am-12:30PM
Where: Mihaylo Hall
California State University, Fullerton
800 N. State College Blvd
Fullerton, CA 92831

Hosted by the Instructional Leadership Corp., this seminar focuses on integrating California Standards/NGSS into instructional Practice.

Register here: [https://www.eventbrite.com/e/teachers-teaching-teachers-tickets-27113359789](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/teachers-teaching-teachers-tickets-27113359789)

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**2016 NRCAL Fall Professional Development**

When: October 4 and 5 8am-3pm
Where: Pollak Library North, 403
California State University, Fullerton
800 N. State College Blvd
Fullerton, CA 92831

This year’s NRCAL P-12 Fall Professional Development Seminar will be a two day PD focusing on **Integrating Technology into Lesson Design**.


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The 42nd annual Los Angeles Korean Festival hopes to promote the history and culture of Korea to the younger education of all ethnicities. Featuring a Historical 100 foot Wall, the Korean Traditional Military Exhibition of Euiryong, acrobats, and many food vendors, this year’s L.A. Korean Festival is shaping up to be a can’t miss event!

http://www.lakoreanfestival.org/en/

Orange County Asian Business Expo

When: September 8
Time: 10am-4pm
Where: Embassy Suites Anaheim South Hotel
11767 Harbor Blvd.
Garden Grove, CA 92840

Every year, Asian owned businesses from across the county gather to network and promote themselves to the public.

http://www.theasianbusinessexpo.com/

CSUF Welcomes Diverse Tenure Track Faculty

CSUF recently proved how committed it is to diversity by welcoming 60 new tenure track faculty into the family at this year’s Convocation. “Half of the new hires are women, 33 percent are Asian, 10 percent are Latino, nine percent are African-American and 40 percent are Caucasian.”

Read more about it here:
http://news.fullerton.edu/2016su/Convocation-Address.aspx

CSUF News

CSUF’s Japanese American Oral History Project

CSUF’s Center for Oral and Public History recently received two new grants from the National Park Service and the National Endowment for the Humanities that will help them digitize over 250 oral histories and documents related to the confinement of Japanese-Americans during World War II. As more former internees die, it is imperative that this part of history is not forgotten by later generations.

Read more about it here:
http://www.ocregister.com/articles/japanese-726764-hansen-americans.html

L.A. Korean Festival

When: September 22-25
Time: 6pm-10pm
Where: Seoul International park
3250 San Marino St.
Los Angeles, CA 90006

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Please contact nrcal@fullerton.edu if you would like to facilitate a Webinar.

For archived webinars see www.nrcal.org/webinars.html
The event is **FREE**!

Content:
- Resources for Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and Vietnamese language instructors
- Integrating cultural competency in lesson design
- Situating language in cultural contexts
- Aligning cultural competency with G.E. requirements
- Using authentic materials in curriculum development

Presenters:
- Dr. Adrian Jung, Professor, Special Education
- Dr. Jinghui “Jack” Liu, Professor and Coordinator of Chinese
- Dr. Setsue Shibata, Japanese Language Coordinator and Japanese International Business Coordinator
- Dr. Natalie Tran, Professor, Educational Leadership, and Director of NRCAL


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