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A LITERACY VOLUNTEERS OF CAMDEN COUNTY NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO CONNECTED TEXT!

Welcome to the inaugural LVCC Newsletter! This newsletter will serve as a way for our tutors to connect with each other and keep up to date with what is happening in our program.

We would also like to feature the accomplishments of our students. If your student has achieved a milestone let us know! This could be citizenship, passing the HiSET, or entering a contest. If the student gives permission we can place their photo with the write-up. The students are also encouraged to offer their own submissions such as poems, essays, recipes, and narratives.

This programs is spread across the county and this format can help us celebrate the accomplishments of everyone!

Please send ideas for submissions or news on your student to Victoria Chisholm.

SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS



Richard (left) and his tutor, George, after his successful attempt at the HiSet.

Literacy Volunteers recognizes the accomplishments of Basic Literacy student Richard for passing the HiSET! This huge achievement was made possible by his dedication and hard work, as well as the support from a phenomenal crew of tutors. We wish him all the best in his endeavors!

Important Dates

Tutor Training October 4, 2018 - November 1, 2018

Meets Thursdays from 6:30 -8:00 pm at the Voorhees Library. LVCC is excited to meet the new class of Tutors!

> Family Literacy Day September 29, 2018 10am-12pm

> > October 6, 2018 12pm- 2pm

This event will welcome new students to the One Stop outreach center opening at South County soon. Held at South County on September 29th and at the Clementon Library on October 6th.

STUDY TIPS AND STRATEGIES

Studying can be HARD. But with the right strategies success can be in reach. Here are some tips to help you reach your goals!

Time Management Skills



For Students:

Often you know the answers on tests but need more time to complete them. With computerized tests students can to go back and check answers if time allows. Many students are spending too much time on a question they can't do. In order to maximize time, skip questions you are struggling with and go back to them later.

For Tutors:

One strategy for tutors is creating small timed tasks for the students. Set a timer and give the student a specific task such as math problems, or a short reading





passage, or comprehension questions and see how many they can finish.

Additionally, tutors can give students a task and see how long it takes. Use that data to work towards shortening that time while still getting correct answers. These low-stakes practice drills help students get accustomed to working within a time constraint. It also gives students the opportunity to reflect on how long they are spending on each question.

RESOURCE IN FOCUS



Screenshots examples of some of the games found on the website

GAMES TO LEARN ENGLISH: AN INTERACTIVE WEBSITE FOR STUDENTS

Games to Learn English is an online resource that can give tutors a platform to access free grammar, phrases, and vocabulary activities through interactive games and flash cards. This resource can be accessed by anyone who has Internet access - either through a computer or mobile device. These games can provide great at home practice for students to re-enforce what they have learned during their lessons.

They are great activities for students of all levels of learning, as subjects range from clothing vocabulary to conditional sentences.

Check it out: https://www.gamestolearnenglish.com/

Annoucements

New Classes for ESL students!

We are offering short topical classes this fall for ESL students of all levels. Topics include Health Literacy, Cooking Exchange, and Job Training. Contact the LVCC office for more information and to get registered!

Buddy Tutoring Sessions

If you are a tutor that is interested in holding periodic joint tutoring sessions for conversation practice please let us know the day and location you usually meet so we can help facilitate a peer contact. Contact ESL Cooridinator, Victoria Chisholm, (vchisholm@camdencountylib rary.org) if interested.

One Stop Call for Tutors

Are you a BL tutor without a current student? Check out the One Stop , which offers tutoring for students from 9am-12pm Monday-Thursday.

Contact Basic Literacy Coordinator, Charlotte Perez for more information (856-968-4267)



FROM THE DESK OF...



New year, new books, new materials.

This upcoming year LVCC is hoping to provide access to more resources than ever. Be on the lookout for new study spaces, access to online tutoring resources, and new electronic devices.

We will announce their availability through email and this newsletter.

We can't wait for the new resources to become accessible and wish everyone success on their learning journeys!

~ LVCC Staff

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