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ACLCLC Lead Facilitator Report – Michael McCaffrey ACLCLC Board of Directors, October 15th, 2019

Pluses (+)

1. Charter Renewal Visit feedback around school culture and living our democratic ideals
2. Hannah Camp
3. PAC
4. Healthy Lunch
5. Bridging the Gap

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1. Enrollment / budget concerns
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1. Community Highlights

Bevies!

I've learned that ACLCLC has a strong history of learner-led events, and our "Bevy" system (read: student-lead clubs) is no exception. This year, we have 14 bevies, including basketball, Black Student Union, Latinos Unidos, Board Games, Minecraft, Newspaper of the Revolution, Speakeasy, and Pokemon to name a few.

Learners heard presentations on all the different beviies available to them, voted for their top choices in late September, and had their first bevy meetings last week.

In these beviies, learners create and lead curriculum, and the adults act in the true sense of the word facilitator, ensuring that the space is safe and that everyone is included in the activities.

September 20th: Climate Day of Action Rally



Learners sharing their thoughts (and signs) with passers-by on Third Street

Two of our senior learners took the lead in planning a rally and informational session for the Climate Day of Action a few weeks ago. Our learners either continued with their day as normal or participated in the rally at the front of our school. I was proud to see our learners take action for something they believe in, and pledge to do my best to keep our learners safe in situations like this, regardless of their beliefs or stance.

September 27th: Healthy Lunch!



Lead by parent and Healthy Lunch Coordinator Wendy W., our ACLC parent community came together to provide a tasty, healthy lunch for more than half of our learners

Our parent community at ACLC is amazing. Despite the "meh" weather that day, dozens of parents and ACLC community members showed up with home-cooked food, set up tents, did dishes, and generally did all the things it takes to prepare for, feed, and clean up after hundreds of teenagers (and their facilitators).

Next up: Italian Goodness, December 6th, 2019. Thanks so much team!

Sports Focus: Volleyball!

Our combined ACLC/Nea volleyball team is off to a strong start this year, and would love your support at an upcoming game. Under the guidance of Coach B. (aka Sabunmi Woods, our Truancy Officer and all-around supporter of learners at school and in the community) and our Athletic Director and ACLC parent Michelle Owens, our team has won several games already and could be headed for the playoffs at this rate.

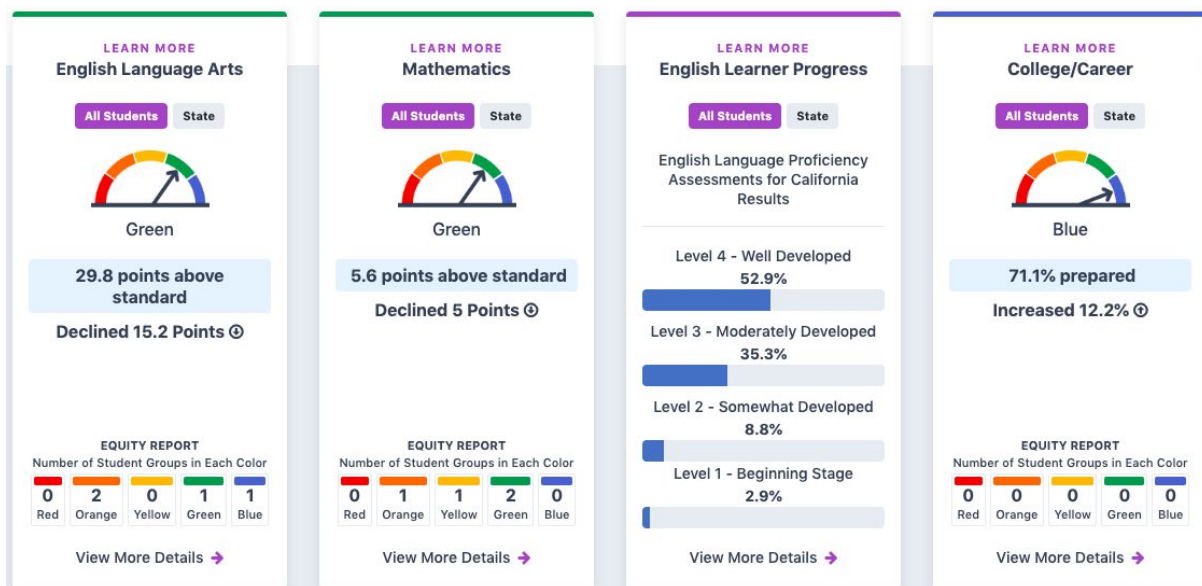


Upcoming Events:

1. October 16th: PSAT for 10th/11th graders (during school day, normal dismissal time)
2. October 16th-18th: Hannah Camp (6th graders, new learners + leadership learners)
3. Week of October 21st: Progress Reports mailed home
4. October 22nd: ACLC 15 minute Public Hearing at AUSD BOE Meeting
5. October 25th: Game Night (learner led event - combination of board games and appropriate video games)
6. October 26th: Campus Beautification Day & PAC Meeting
7. November 1st: Tech. Conference (learner Jasmine Liu designing a series of keynote speeches, presenters, and workshops to educate our school about the world of Tech.)
8. Nov. 11 Veteran's Day (school holiday, no classes)

2. CA Schools Dashboard Release 2018

Last week, the state updated the [CA School Dashboard website](#), which shows key data-points for all CA schools. In short, the news is good. We are in the green or blue (the two highest ratings on a 5 color scale) for every single metric that we are measured on. Key highlights include a decrease in Chronic Absenteeism, and increase in the Graduation Rate, and an increase in



3. ACLC Charter Renewal

On October 2nd and 3rd 7 members of the AUSD Charter Office came to visit our school. They met with learners, parents, facilitators, and administrators as well as observing us in action in nearly all of our spaces. They were impressed by our positive school culture and said it was obvious that we are living our democratic ideal - they cited learners being advocates for themselves & others and feeling invested in the school and each other as evidence for this.

They will spend the next month examining our data, reading our report, and writing summaries in each domain of the rubric they assess us on (Improving Student Achievement, Strong Leadership, Continuous Improvement, Responsible Governance, & Fiscal Accountability). They will give us their report in mid-November, and we will be able to prepare responses to their suggested areas of growth that we feel need further explanation.

I will be asking learners and families to come out in support of our school for some of the dates listed below - more details on that front soon.

Upcoming Charter-Related Dates:

1. October 29th: 15 min. presentation by Admin. Team @ AUSD Board Meeting
2. November 12th: AUSD Charter Office submits recommendation to AUSD Board to approve/deny our charter renewal request
3. December 17th: AUSD Board votes to approve/deny charter **renewal request**

4. Suspension/Expulsion Data

ACLC Suspension and Expulsion Data Year-to-Date comparison to last year:

	September 2018	September 2019
Expulsions	0	0
Suspensions	3	2