



Watsonville/Aptos Adult Education News and Views



I am somehow less interested in the weight and convolutions of Einstein's brain than in the near certainty that people of equal talent have lived and died in cotton fields and sweatshops. - Stephen Jay Gould

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School Council Agrees on Spring Semester Dates

School Council reviewed this year's attendance patterns and discussed options for start dates for the new semester. The ESL program will start on Monday, January 3 at Porter and Green Valley. ESL classes at outlying sites will not start until Monday, January 10. Cynthia Stark and Amy Jewell are contacting teachers now about ESL and Citizenship assignments.

The Learning Center (the adult secondary and elementary education programs) will also start on Monday, January 10.

Lifelong Learning classes may run at various times (in fact some in the facilities are running during the winter vacation), consult with Jane Reyes, your chair, to be sure of your dates.

Career and technical (CTE) classes also start on different dates from January 3 on, all teachers in CTE should have received dates from Burr Guthrie.

Parent Education's Together in the Park will begin on January 18.

Community ed. classes will also begin at various times after January 3.

The School Council again made the decision based on the principle, and past practice, of letting individual programs set dates that match their needs. Our flexibility is our strength.

Holiday Potluck

Friday, Dec. 17

Green Valley

4:00-6:00

Join your colleagues in a time of holiday cheer and/or sober reflection. We are having the annual faculty and staff potluck on Friday afternoon, December 17. Debbie Lerma has promised that there will be special entertainment (who can forget the "Santa Baby" number from two years ago??) Contact the Green Valley office to see what you are bringing for the potluck.

WAAE Organization

One of the action steps from our school improvement plans was to create an organization chart for the school. That's what you have attached here. Feedback welcomed.

Both adult school offices (Green Valley and Porter) will be open from 8:00-4:00 during winter vacation. Dec. 20-22, and 27-28. Spring semester begins Jan. 3. See calendar for more details.



WAAS Calendar

All-School Mural Opening and reception
Tuesday, November 30
Green Valley Office, 4:00-7:00

***Come to the
Opening!!***

Student Ceramics and Bake Sale
Wednesday, December 1
Green Valley, 10:00-12:00

Classified Staff Meeting
Friday, December 3
Green Valley, 3:00-5:00
(Holiday schedules will be discussed)

Monday, December 6
ALL TIME SHEETS MUST BE TURNED IN EARLY THIS MONTH!!

Student Councils
Tuesday, December 14, Porter, Noon and 9:00pm
Wednesday, December 15, Noon and 9:00pm

School Council
Wednesday, December 15, Porter, 4:00-6:00

All-School Holiday Pot-luck

Contact the Green Valley office to coordinate dishes.

Friday, Dec. 17
Green Valley, 4:00-6:00
(we expect Santa to bring Natalie for a visit)

Last day of classes, Fall Semester, Dec. 17/18.

A few lifelong learning classes will run Dec. 20-22.

Spring semester begins on Jan. 3 and ends June 3.
(see lead article for more specific starting
dates for different programs)



Watsonville-Aptos Adult Education Organization Chart, 12-04

