## OCCUPATIONAL AND SKILLS CENTERS

The Occupational and Skills Centers allow students to make up credits that can then be transferred back to the school of residence. Usually students take classes there while also enrolled at their school of residence. There is no fee for current LAUSD students to attend.

## NORTH LOS ANGELES

North Valley Occupational Center 11450 Sharp Ave., Mission Hills, 91345 818-365-9645 / www.nvoc.org

Pacoima Skills Center 13545 Van Nuys Blvd., Pacoima, 91331 818-896-9558 / <u>www.lausd.k12.ca.us/Pacoima\_Skills\_Ctr/</u>

> West Valley Occupational Center 6200 Winnetka Ave., Woodland Hills, 91367 818-346-3540 / www.wvoc.net

## **CENTRAL LOS ANGELES**

Abram Friedman Occupational Center 1646 S. Olive St., LA, 90015 213-765-2400 / www.afoc.edu East LA Occupational Center 2100 Marengo St., LA, 90033 323-223-1283 / www.elaoc.net East LA Skills Center

3921 Selig Pl., LA, 90031 323-224-5970 / elasc.adultinstruction.org

Metropolitan Skills Center 2801 W. 6th St., LA, 90057 213-386-7269 / <u>www.ed2go.com/metroskills</u>

Regional Occupational Program Center 333 S. Beaudry Ave., LA, 90017 213-745-1940 / www.ropcenter.org Venice Skills Center

611 Fifth Ave., Venice, 90291 310-664-5880 / <u>www.lausd.net/Venice\_Skills\_Center</u>

## SOUTH LOS ANGELES

Harbor Occupational Center 740 N. Pacific Ave., San Pedro, 90731 310-547-5551 / www.lausd.net/Harbor OC

Maxine Waters Employment Prep Center 10925 S. Central Ave., LA, 90059 323-564-1431 www.mwepc.net

## Need more direction, information, or still haven't found what you are looking for?

Speak with the school counselor or the transition teacher at your school for additional assistance or visit the Pupil Services website: pupilservices.lausd.net.

For more information on connecting to employment and community resources, contact District Office of Transition Services at: 213-241-8050 or visit our website at dots.lausd.net



333 S. Beaudry Ave. 17th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90017 Phone: 213-241-6701 Fax: 213-241-8915 sped.lausd.net

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## Pathways to Completing High School

This brochure provides you with a variety of ways to complete high school with a diploma or certificate of completion.



## Los Angeles Unified School District



Division of Special Education DISTRICT OFFICE OF TRANSITION SERVICES

### HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION OPTIONS

Students with disabilities have one of two options when they complete high school. They can earn either a:

- (1) Diploma; or
- (2) Certificate of Completion.

**Diploma:** In order to earn a <u>diploma</u>, a student must earn 230 credits in the required course of study. Students with disabilities must take the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE), but currently do not have to pass it to receive a diploma if they meet all other requirements.

**Certificate of Completion:** A student with an Individualized Education Program (IEP) has the opportunity to earn a Certificate of Completion upon finishing high school if they have completed 230 credits, met their IEP goals, or participated in the educational program with satisfactory attendance. Students who receive a certificate of completion are eligible to continue receiving special education services until the age of 22.

#### ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS TO A DIPLOMA

### WITHIN LAUSD:

#### AEWC (Alternative Education and Work Center)

AEWC is a dropout recovery program with 26 locations serving at-risk and out-of-school youth ages 16-18. Independent study provides the flexible scheduling students need to maintain employment while earning a high school diploma or its equivalent. www.adultinstruction.org / 213-241-3154.



## ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS TO A DIPLOMA WITHIN LAUSD: (continued)

#### Carlson Home/Hospital Instruction Program

This program is for students who need their educational needs met at home or in the hospital while they are recuperating from an injury or illness. <u>chipahs.lausd.net</u> / 818-509-8759.

#### CDS (Community Day Schools)

The CDS are an option for expelled and other high-risk students. Students attend for a mandatory six hours a day. Contact Secondary Options Programs at 213-241-3821.

#### **Central High School**

This multi-site continuation high school serves specific targeted groups of high-risk students. <u>www.centralhstric.net</u> / 213-745-1901.

#### City of Angels School

An independent study school that offers students a full-time educational program through weekly appointments. It is designed for students with special interests and abilities, scheduling problems, or individual needs that cannot be accommodated in the traditional school setting. <u>www.lausd.net/city\_of\_angels/</u>213-745-1100.

#### **Continuation schools**

Continuation schools provide a small campus setting, low studentteacher ratio, individualized instruction, and extensive counseling to strengthen positive self-concepts. Some schools offer four hour per week evening classes. Contact Secondary Options Programs at 213-241-3821.

#### DACE (Division of Adult and Career Education)

DACE offers a competency-based adult high school diploma program for students 18 years and older. Students may earn a diploma, prepare for the GED, and obtain vocational training. Features include open enrollment, individualized learning centers, whole group instruction and independent study. <u>www.adultinstruction.org</u> / 888-730-EARN.

#### Education 2020 (E2020)

E2020 is a tele-teaching/online program for students who are unable to attend a high school facility or may need/want to pursue high school credit in an alternate mode. Contact Miller CTC for information at 818-885-1646.

#### Pregnant Minor Schools

Pregnant Minor Schools offer classes required for graduation as well as special classes in birth preparation and parenting. Contact Secondary Options Programs at 213-241-3821.

# ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS TO A DIPLOMA OUTSIDE LAUSD:

**Community Colleges** are located throughout the city and offer a wide range of opportunities for students to earn GEDs, Associate of Arts degrees and skills certificates. A diploma is not needed to attend a community college. Programs are available for students with disabilities. Courses begin four times per year with day or evening classes. The cost per unit is significantly less than other post-secondary institutions. Visit <u>www.lacolleges.net/cahsee</u>, or contact your local community college directly.



#### Insight School

A WASC Accredited, full-time, tuition-free, diploma granting online public high school. Must be a resident of LA, Orange, Ventura, San Bernardino or Kern County and be 19 years old or younger. www.insightca.net / 877-25INSIGHT

#### Job Corps

Students 16-24 live away from home, get career technical training and earn their diploma in this free program. Local programs are available in downtown Los Angeles and Long Beach. <u>www.jobcorps.gov</u> / 800-733-JOBS

#### Los Angeles Conservation Corps

This free program enables students 18-24 to receive on-the-job training, paid work experience, and attend a charter school site to complete their high school education. www.Lacorps.org / 877-9LA-CORPS

## EXAM OPTIONS

Students may also earn the equivalence of a diploma by taking exams. For more information on the GED (General Educational Development) Tests, call 213-765-2573 or visit <u>ged.adultinstruction.org</u>. For more information on the CHSPE (California High School Proficiency Exam), see <u>www.chspe.net</u>.