



Van Nuys Airport Community Update

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North Valley Occupational Center Career Empowerment Academy Returns to Van Nuys Airport

This summer, we're excited to once again welcome students from the North Valley Occupational Center's (NVOC) Aviation Mechanic Program to Van Nuys Airport.

What began last year as a small summer camp of 24 high school students has grown into something much larger, as the curriculum now informs LAUSD's district-wide Career Empowerment Academy. This year, 70 students from five high schools in the San Fernando Valley were selected from a competitive pool of 140 applicants to take part in the experience.

Over several weeks, these students have the opportunity to explore the fundamentals of aviation maintenance in a hands-on environment. For many, this is their first time stepping foot inside a hangar, where they will be guided by skilled instructors and aviation professionals who are eager to share their knowledge and encourage the next generation.

The program will take place over June and July and will include tours of Van Nuys Airport and Los Angeles International Airport. Students will have the chance to learn essential skills related to aviation mechanics and engage in team building exercises, develop problem-solving abilities, and gain a deeper understanding of career paths in the aviation industry. With support from the Eli Broad Foundation, each participating student will also receive a \$1,000 stipend to support their learning and engagement throughout the program.

VNY is proud to continue its support of LAUSD's North Valley Occupational Center Aviation Mechanic Program and looks forward to seeing these students excel as leaders in their future careers.

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