

Long Beach School for Adults

*Empowering our students with digital confidence!*

# About Us...

## Long Beach School for Adults

### Our Programs

#### ABE

Adult Basic Education, a foundational course for students reading below a 9th grade level to prepare them for HSD or HISET.

#### HSD

High School Diploma, students take independent study classes, APEX courses, and participate in small group instruction to earn 150 credits for their HS Diploma.

#### HISET

(High School Equivalency Test)  
Students can either test immediately (5 total tests: reading, writing, math, history, & science) or enroll in our independent study preparation program. The preparation program is built around student learning needs.

#### ESL

Students learn English in Level 1-5 classes and participate in conversation, grammar, writing, and technology classes/workshops to boost language skills. Citizen Preparation workshops are also available.

#### CTE

Work force development classes in Custodial Services, Campus Security Assistant, Animal Care, and CNA (there is a fee for classes).

With over 100 years of supporting Adult Education, LBSA, located at 171 W Bort Street in Long Beach, operates September - June with **FREE** classes from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday - Thursday. Enrollment is open through-out the year, with classes filling quickly. Call our school for information. 562-595-8893. Enrollment appointments are made on our website.

[lbsa.lbschools.net](http://lbsa.lbschools.net)

## Enrollment

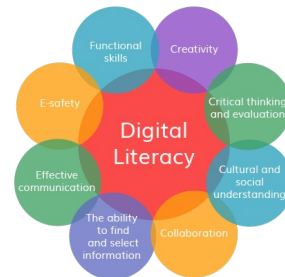
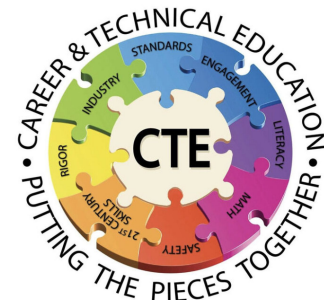
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## Our Future



## History



# LBSA Team

Nicole Lopez



LBSA  
Principal



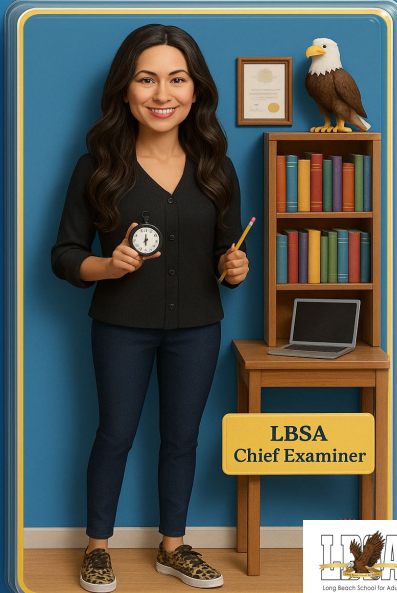
Sara Nickles



LBSA  
ESL  
Lead Teacher



Betzy Macchia



LBSA  
Chief Examiner



Lisa Busch



LBSA  
HiSET  
Lead Teacher



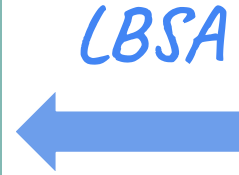
# DLAAction Figures

**much money does Jaden have?**





# LBSA Site Staff



21 Certificated Teachers  
(Full, PT, AH)

1.4 Office Staff

1 Principal

1 City College Counselor\*

0.4 Counselor

0.4 CSA

2 College Aides

7 VIPS (Volunteers)

5 National Board  
Teachers (earning hours  
at LBSA)

# IDEAL 101 and our Site Plan



**IDEAL 101 gave us the time, tools, & teamwork to turn big ideas into real results.**

# IDEAL 101 and our Site Plan (continued)...

IDEAL 101 helped us become more aware of the wide range of resources available to support our students





# Accomplishments to date . . .

*From 1.5 acres to 9.5 acres.  
A new school and new location  
with room to grow and expand!*



**WE'RE MOVING!**  
EFFECTIVE AUGUST 2025

**LBSA**  
Long Beach School for Adults

Our programs include: ESL, High School Diploma, HiSET, and Employment Training.

scan here  for website

The new permanent home for Long Beach School for Adults will be at 171 W Bort Street, Long Beach, CA 90805 near the intersections of Artesia and Long Beach Blvd.

School and Registration Information:  
<https://lbsa.lbschools.net/>  
562-595-8893





# Accomplishments...continued

## Chromebook & Technology Workshops

- **Designed for ESL Students...**
  - with limited computer skills
  - who are new to Chromebooks
  - with limited knowledge of technology-related vocabulary in English
- **Workshop topics include:**
  - Chromebook, keyboard, and Internet vocabulary
  - basic Chromebook use
  - keyboard function keys and trackpad use
  - basic Internet navigation



**FREE!**

Beginning ESL Computer Workshop- **Part 1**

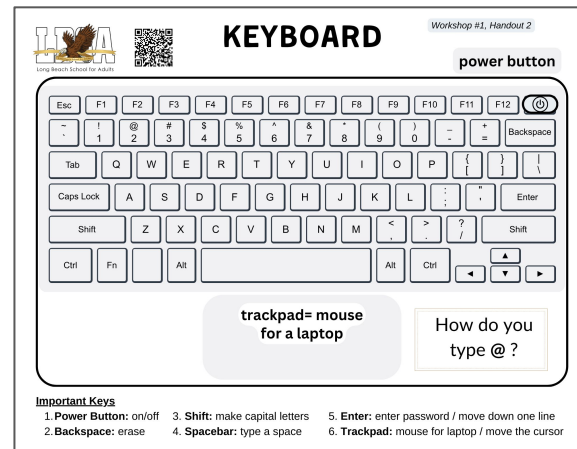
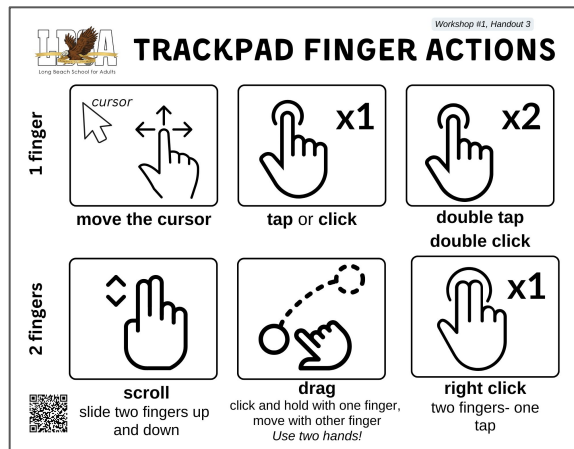
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What you will learn:

- Basic Computer Vocabulary
- Log On & Off Chromebooks

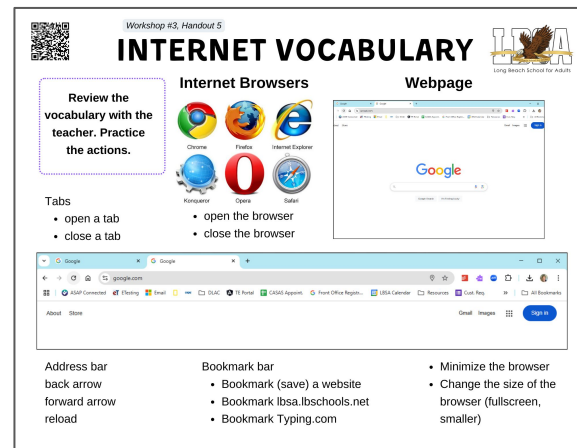
**Sign up  
in the  
ESL Office!**





# Workshop Offerings:

- Stand alone 4-part workshop series
- Embedded in ESL Classes



# Using Our Skills

**DLAC TRAINING**



**GREATER COLLABORATION AT LBSA**



**EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF DIGITAL TOOLS**

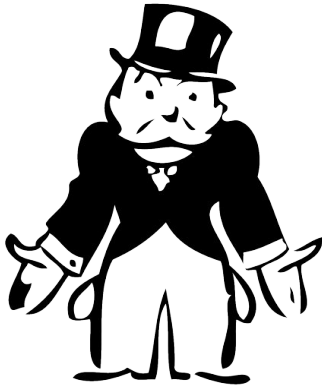


**STRONGER SENSE OF COMMUNITY & SHARED PURPOSE**



# Challenges, Barriers, and Setbacks

- Lack of additional funding
- Lack of time
- Lack of resources



yet





# Changes to support digital literacy



**Our new campus will have a dedicated Northstar Lab,  
with a retired teacher (Lisa's husband) volunteer to help  
facilitate.**

# Next steps. . .

## 1. Northstar Digital Literacy Program Rollout

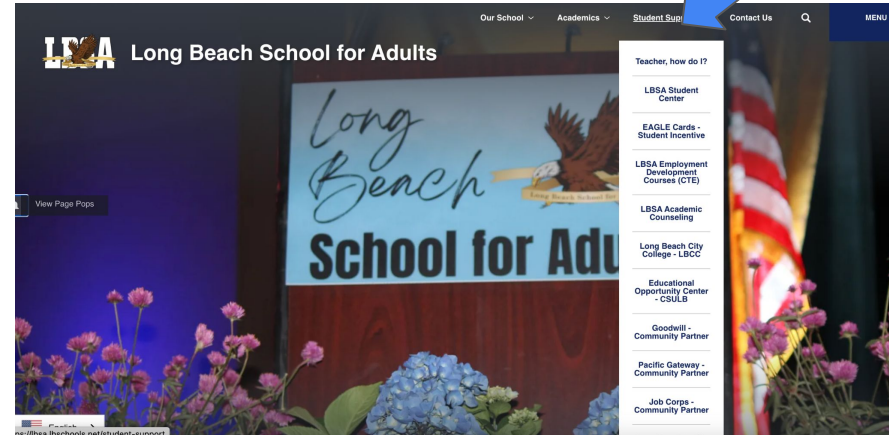
–to assess and build key digital skills

## 2. LBSA Website Digital Support Hub Launch

–to provide easy access to essential digital guidance



“Teacher how do I?”



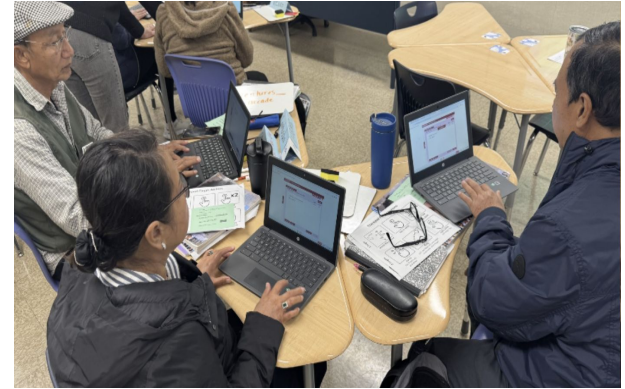
# More next steps. . .

## 3. Student-Facing Videos and Cheat Sheets for Northstar Website Navigation

—to provide visual and auditory support.

## 4. Multilingual Registration & Orientation Videos

—to promote equitable access in multiple languages



Orientation Video

New Student Orientation Video (English)



Current August 2024

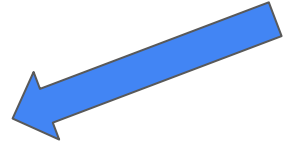
Video de orientación para nuevos estudiantes (próximamente)



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# Support we need. . .



**MONEY** \* **TIME** \* **MONEY** \* **STAFF** \* **MONEY**



# How OTAN Can Help Us

Ongoing access to free professional development through OTAN is essential to keep our staff updated on the latest tools, strategies, and trends in digital education. Most importantly: continuing to be a champion for all students.



**Equality** is everyone getting a pair of shoes.



**Diversity** is everyone getting a different type of shoe.



**Equity** is everyone getting a pair of shoes that fits.



**Acceptance** is understanding we all wear different kinds of shoes.

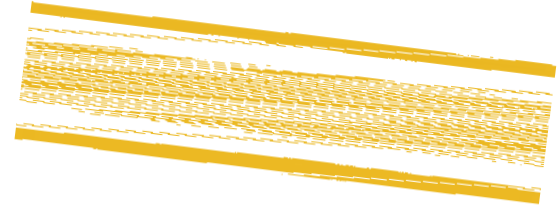


**Belonging** is wearing the shoes you want without fear of judgment.

# Others Areas That Are Important. . .



- ❖ Traveled to Sacramento as a team, strengthening our school community.
- ❖ Gained access to high-quality, free professional development.
- ❖ Benefited from a rare opportunity due to limited funding for training.
- ❖ Learned together and shared insights in person.
- ❖ Deepened collaboration among team members.
- ❖ Renewed our shared commitment to digital literacy and student support



# Summary



EQUALITY



EQUITY



INCLUSION

## LBSA Digital Literacy Action Plan – Key Points:

- **Goal:** Close the digital divide for adult learners.
- **Key Components:**
  - Hands-on digital literacy workshops
  - ESL instruction with integrated tech skills
  - Northstar Digital Literacy platform
- **Support Resources:**
  - Computer lab access
  - Online learning tools
  - Multilingual materials
- **Purpose:** Build student confidence and skills for school, work, and daily life.
- **Results:** Empower learners to navigate online classrooms, apply for jobs, and stay connected.
- **Equity Focus:** Ensure every student has access to digital tools and support.

excellent  
welcoming  
enjoyable  
happy  
supportive  
flexible  
opportunities  
helpful  
kind  
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Pair it Up!



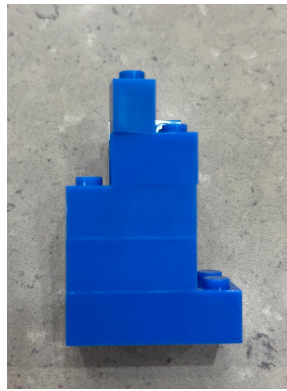




Inclusion



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Workshop  
Vocabulary



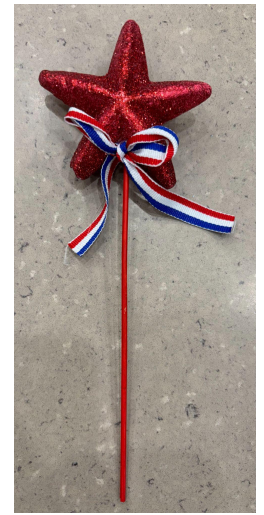
Building  
Community



Growth &  
Expansion



Our  
Purpose



Northstar



Since 1913



What we lack

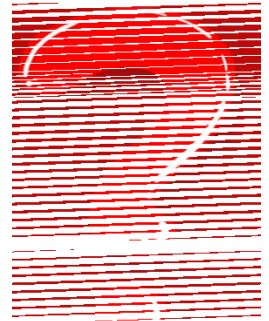
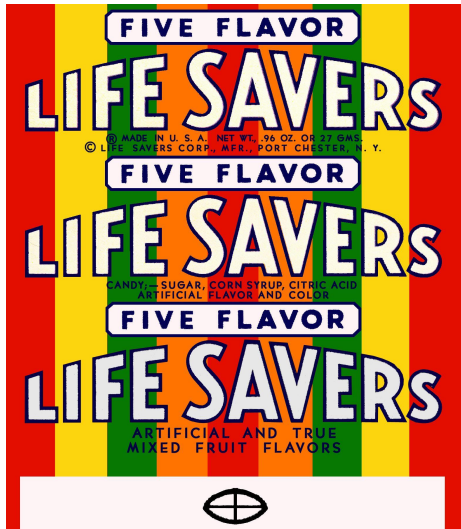


Basic  
Chromebook Use

**ANSWER KEY**

# Thank you

To our OTAN and Adult Education DLAC Cohort friends!



Questions?