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Web Resources

CAELA Network Brief Promoting Learner Transitions to Postsecondary Education and Work -

www.cal.org/caelanetwork/pdfs/TransitionsFinalWeb.pdf

"Integrating Career Awareness into the ABE and ESOL Classroom" - Curriculum Guide. Download or request a copy at www.neable.org/resources/bodega/bodega-transitions

Preparing Non-Native Speakers for Academic Readiness – presentation at the 2009 NCTN Conference

www.neable.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/03/esol-academic-ready.pdf

Transitions Resources -

www.neable.org/resources/websites/transitions

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English for Nursing Academic Skills, Susan Boshier, University of Michigan Press, 2008.

English in the Workplace, Stephen Brown, McGraw Hill, 2009.

Inside Reading: The Academic Word List in Context, Lawrence Zwier, Oxford, 2009.

Noteworthy, Phyllis Lim and William Smalzer, Heinle Cengage, 2008.

What Every ESL Student Should Know: A Guide to College and University Academic Success, Kathy Ochoa Flores, University of Michigan Press, 2008.

Visit www.neablelibrary.org or call 800.361.7076.

Quote

Not only does vocabulary help you function in the language and succeed academically, it also allows you to express yourself fully.

Excerpt from "What Every ESL Student Should Know: A Guide to College and University Academic Success" by Kathy Ochoa Flores



Visiting a Community College

On May 5th, Parma ABLÉ's EL/Civics class took a field trip to Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C). Although the trip was scheduled from 7-7:30 pm, we ended up being there until 8:45 p.m. Dr. Susan Lohwater met us at the Information Desk in the "G" section. Along with Dr. Lohwater, Evgeny Kasperovic, Tri-C's student ambassador, did a fabulous job of providing a walking tour of all the departments and sections of the college. We visited the new health profession area that is set up just like a working hospital with mechanical patients for students to practice on for those going into health professions. We learned that students can actually learn how it is to deliver babies as well as practice on men/women, older people, etc. with medical conditions (all with life-like mechanical patients). We also visited the art section where students were painting and working on graphic design. We visited the theatre where students were rehearsing. He talked about all the courses available, including Sciences of chemistry, biology, physics, and math (and we learned of the free tutoring available to help with subjects students are having trouble in). Evgeny took us down to the athletic area where students were about to start a basketball game. We were able to view the swimming pool. We were taken to the business area where students learned they would get their identification and pay tuition, and were taken to where the guidance counselors' offices are located. We learned about financial aid, about pre-testing and all received a packet of information with registrations and other materials about the college. He showed us the cafeteria as well as the vending machines and talked about the parking at the college.

The evening ended on a very high note as we were invited to a special party all the ESL students were participating in as they just had their final exams that day. There was food, dancing and singing. We were welcomed by everyone and encouraged to help ourselves to the food and participate in singing or dancing. It was fun to watch the students enjoy themselves. One of Tri-C's students has a Masters Degree in Music and she performed for us...beautiful voice. She sang in Russian and then sang part of an Opera. So very special...extremely talented.

This was truly an experience my E/L Civics students will NEVER forget. They loved it. I encourage other classes to contact Tri-C (or their local community college). I think GED students would definitely benefit and realize there is more out there for them that they just don't realize. A little encouragement sometimes will spark a flame that will ignite enthusiasm, and then they are hooked! It was truly an outstanding field trip. One I will NEVER forget! AWESOME!!!!

Submitted by Kelly Cooper and Gene Zayac, ESOL instructors

Call for Proposals!

TESOL Convention 2011

Be a presenter next year in New Orleans! Submit a proposal by **June 1, 2010** online at www.tesol.org. The TESOL Convention will be held March 17-19, 2011 in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Ohio TESOL Fall 2010 Conference

Present to your colleagues in Columbus! Submit a proposal by **June 25, 2010** online at www.ohiotesol.org. The annual fall conference will be held November 12-13, 2010 at the Hyatt Regency downtown Columbus – new location!