Greetings from Dr. Jacqueline Elliot, President & CEO

The last month of the year is always hectic, exciting, and jubilant all at the same time! I hope that as you read this newsletter, you are relaxing and enjoying some summer fun!

What an incredible experience it was to watch hundreds of PUC middle school students graduating from 8th grade as they prepare to begin the final part of their journey to higher education, in our PUC high schools.

Most exciting of all is that over 400 PUC high school seniors graduated this year and almost 100% of them have declared that they are on their way to colleges and universities across the state and nation in the fall.

A large number of our seniors are on their way to UC campuses that will include UCLA, UC Irvine, UC Riverside and UC Santa Cruz.

As has occurred in prior years, California State University Northridge will be welcoming a large number of PUC graduates this fall, 115 in total. There are approximately 500 PUC graduates currently attending Cal State University Northridge. California State University Los Angeles will be welcoming 29 of our graduates.

Over 50 of our graduates will attend community colleges that will include Glendale Community College, Pasadena City College, College of the Canyons, and Mission College.

We also have a number of students who will be attending out of state universities that will include Grand Canyon University in Arizona, Colorado State University, Saint John’s University in Minnesota, Ozark Christian College in Missouri, University of Nevada, and Brigham Young University in Utah.

As we all know, our students will only fulfill PUC’s Commitment #1, that we will increase the college graduation rate by five times in the communities that we serve, if they are successful in graduating from these institutions. In pursuit of this outcome, we have developed a robust alumni support system to help ensure their success. Our graduates will be provided with support and referrals to resources from other PUC alumni who are already attending these colleges and universities and who will serve as their peer mentors. They will also receive support via phone calls from PUC National staff, through targeted social media, and more. We will be providing our community college students with a large amount of support in order to ensure that they manage to successfully transfer into 4-year institutions.

For our staff, parents, and students, please take a moment this summer to reflect and congratulate yourselves for choosing to be part of the mission and vision of PUC. Our journey is a pursuit of personal excellence for all of us, and one of ensuring that all of our students receive an excellent public education, are provided with the opportunity to attend university, achieve their potential, and make their dreams become a reality.

Getter: Lisa Friedman. Please send articles to l.friedman@pucschools.org
PUC Excel Wolves Make it to Championship

Congratulations to the PUC Excel Wolves for their 3rd consecutive title as Metro League Champions. As PUC Excel athletes, our scholars demonstrate habits and values that not only allow for a great team in all areas such as defense, offense and the understanding of one another, but that also will transcend into their personal growth. Practice and values such as respect, perseverance and craftsmanship allowed for our scholars to reach their full potential. Also, thank you families for all the support provided through practices, games and enthusiastic cheers that kept our team moving forward.
PUC Induction June Presentations

On June 6 and June 11, at PUC Excel and PUC CCECHS, teachers in the PUC Induction program closed their year by presenting on and discussing their Inquiry findings with their Induction colleagues. Teachers shared their takeaways around student data, supports for English learners, and reflecting on their own growth as teachers.

Examples of inquiry questions:
- If my peer editing checklist includes academic language criteria, will students improve their rough drafts as measured by better scores on their checklists by late April/early May?
- If I provide my students with a self-monitoring tool that connects each piece of the writing cycle to specific criteria for success, will students be able to accurately self-identify/articulate their strengths and areas for growth in writing and reflect/implement next steps to improve their writing as measured by improved scores on writing assignments (particularly their research paper) by late April/early May?
- I implement graphic organizers that track evidence by thematic ideas across the text, will students consistently support their claims using relevant text based evidence?

PUC Induction thanks our mentors and our participating teachers for their incredible work this year!
The month of June is usually full of sad goodbyes and scholars rushing to get work turned in. At PUC Achieve we were dedicated to making the work fun and meaningful so students did not want to fall behind – they did not want to be left out!!! Math teacher, Chelsea Kehoe decided her last unit on linear equations needed to be spiced up. In order to get the students to understand the idea of ordered pairs, she had all of her students pick teams and asked them to create something they believed they could sell to a panel of judges. How does this relate to ordered pairs? The scholars had to create graphs that explained profit, one sale at a time, and explain revenue and other cost. Every measure was an ordered pair i.e. one sale = x amount of profit.

Meet the Shark Tank Panel. Each judge represented a billion dollar industry and they were difficult to impress. In the middle was media mogul and Principal – Arkee Allen!!! As you can see, he closed on a deal.

In true PUC Achieve fashion, scholars were incentivized all year to “do the right thing.” The campaign, “Get on the Bus” was born out of the spirit: 1. Scholars need to see parts of the city just outside of their community. 2. Scholars need to start college visits now in order to really believe that it is attainable. 3. Scholars should be rewarded when they put themselves in a position to earn it. Every two weeks scholars boarded our exclusive PUC Achieve Bus and headed out to a college for a half day of fun AFTER math and ELA classes were completed. The college visits did not include tours of lecture halls either. Instead, we talked to our scholars about the whole experience and told them that colleges were their playground to be creative. They certainly want to go to college now...
Here is the PUC Achieve Scholar who played Barry Gordy in our first theatrical play, Mostly Motown, written by Delores Jackson Radney and directed by our Theater Teacher, Reenah Golden! The production was for two nights in June, but our popularity grew so fast, we had four additional shows! The ultimate compliment was when the “No Drama” team performed at the Strathallen in front of over 100 prospective donors! Here are some members and Ms. Golden, right after meeting the President Abraham Lincoln!

Inevitably, June came to an end and a new chapter is now beginning for scholars being promoted to the 7th grade. 100% of our scholars successfully completed 6th grade requirements and 70 students crossed the stage shaking every single person’s hand that played a significant role in their lives this school year.
PUC Connections: Dedicated to keeping our circle of schools connected.

PUC Graduations 2016
Employee Referral Program

Every year PUC receives some of its best teacher candidates from current employees and this year we would like to see teacher referrals meet an all-time high! After all, who better than our own teachers to know what kind of candidate would be a great fit for PUC?

Our teacher referral program offers some great benefits to you as a current employee. This year we are offering a monetary bonus!

How do I get it?

Employee Referral Program @PUC_Recruitment
In order to receive the hiring bonus, the applicant must list your full name in the "How did you hear about us" box on our application.

Are there any exclusions?

Employee Referral Program @PUC_Recruitment
If you are considered a PUC Hiring Manager (All Managers, Directors, Coordinators, Instructional Team Member and School Leaders), you do not qualify for the referral program.

Tips for Team Members!

Employee Referral Program @PUC_Recruitment
We recommend that you email any potential friends or family with a link to our Career Opportunities page, and let them know they must list your name in order for you to receive the referral bonus. Posting the link on your Facebook, LinkedIn, or Twitter account with those brief directions may also prove fruitful!

Best of luck.

Employee Referral Program Questions?

For more information, please visit http://www.pucschools.org/careers/refer or contact a member of the recruitment team at careers@pucschools.org!
Glassdoor and Indeed

PUC is on the Glassdoor and Indeed job site where you can leave a review about your experience here at PUC!

In case you're not familiar with the job sites they are similar to Yelp!

See our links below:

http://www.glassdoor.com/Overview/Working-at-PUC-Schools-EI_IE465918.11,22.htm
http://www.indeed.com/cmp/Puc-Schools

Leave us a review!
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We’re here! Follow the Recruitment Team on social media to stay updated on events, new openings, and much more!

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Open Positions

Discounted Software Available For Home Use

Exclusive for your company, get the completely NEW Microsoft Office Professional Plus 2016 suite for your home. Or if you use a Mac, get Office Home and Business 2016 for Mac for the same low price, $9.95.

The link below provides the details as well as the new program code necessary to purchase Office.

Human Resources Employee Perks Program

Working Advantage

Human Resources is pleased to announce a new employee benefit. All employees now have exclusive access to the Working Advantage discount network which allows you to save up 60% on ticketed events and online shopping. Through Working Advantage you can save on: Movie Tickets, Theme Parks, Ski Tickets, Broadway Shows, Sporting Events, Hotels and Travel, Health and Fitness, Museums and City Passes, Merchant Gift Certificates, Online Shopping...and much more! To subscribe, you may access the Working Advantage website by clicking here: www.workingadvantage.com. When opening an individual account you will need the PUC Schools ID #413401740.

Working Advantage offers 24-hour online shopping and customer support Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 6:30 PM Eastern time. If you have specific questions regarding the site, please contact Working Advantage at 800-565-3712.

PUC employees will no longer be able to purchase discounted Disneyland Resort tickets from the website link previously featured on the PUC Intranet. However, Working Advantage offers a variety of Disneyland Resort tickets at a discounted price as well. For more information, visit: Working Advantage Disneyland Tickets

AMC Amazing

Human Resources has AMC tickets available for sale. As of August 1, 2015, AMC will no longer sell Silver or Gold Tickets; they have decided to move to one ticket going forward which will be the Green Ticket. The Gold tickets that remain in distribution will be honored as stated in the terms and conditions listed on the tickets. PLEASE NOTE: Green Tickets will NOT be eligible for any movie distributed by The Walt Disney Company, including but not limited to Pixar, Marvel, and Lucas Films. AMC tickets have no expiration date. The price for a green ticket is $9/ticket. PAYMENT METHOD: ONLY CASHIER'S CHECK, PERSONAL CHECK OR MONEY ORDER. NO CASH! Please make check or money order to: PUC Schools.

If you are interested in purchasing AMC Green tickets, please contact Isamar Muñoz, HR Assistant.

T-Mobile Advantage Program

T-Mobile offers exclusive discounts for PUC Schools Employees. Click on the T-Mobile logo above to visit T-Mobile’s promo website. To enroll by phone, contact Advantage Direct at 866-464-8662 and use promotional code 20356TMOFAV.

Any questions regarding our employee perks program, please contact Isamar Muñoz, HR Assistant, i.munoz@pucschools.org or (818) 559-7699
PUC Polo Shirts and Laptop Bags for Sale

You can now purchase PUC Polo Shirts and PUC Laptop bags! Items can be purchased throughout the year. Please contact Jonathan Liu from the Human Resources Department in order to place an order. You can reach him at j.liu@pucschools.org or 818-478-2093.

**PUC Polo: $20 for either the male or female cut.**

**PUC Laptop Bag: $40**