

Newbury Park High School

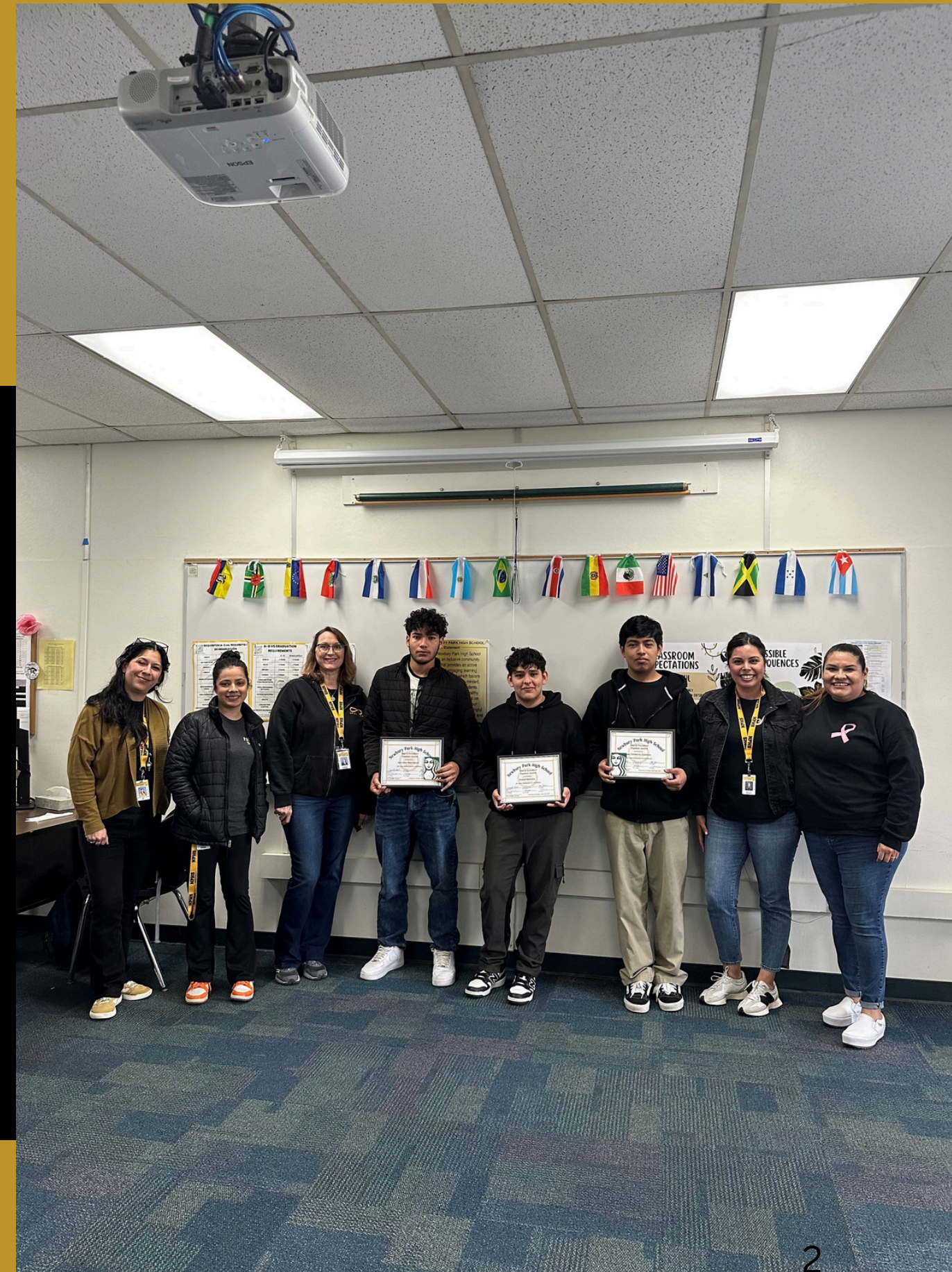
NEWCOMER ACADEMY

Celia Ortiz - Bilingual Social Worker
Steve Lepire - Principal
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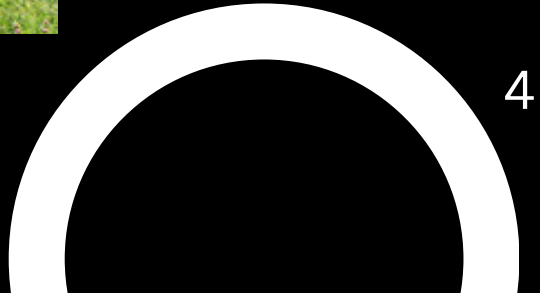


Newcomer Definition

“Newcomer is an umbrella term for foreign-born students who have recently arrived in the United States. Newcomer students may include, but are not limited to, asylees, refugees, unaccompanied youth, undocumented youth, migratory students, and other immigrant children and youth identified by the local educational agencies. Newcomer students come from many different countries and diverse cultural backgrounds. These students come to school with various levels of education experiences and speak a variety of languages, which may or may not include English.” (CDE)



[NPHS Newcomer Academy Video](#)



Why a Newcomer Academy?

Centralized Services

Centralized services enhance resources for students and families, offering bilingual staff, social/emotional support, community outreach (housing, medical, food), and targeted interventions. Integrated supports are also available in other courses that are not under the English Language Development (ELD) courses.

Credit Reduction

The Academy allows for reduced graduation credits for those newly arrived to the U.S. as juniors and seniors or a 5th year of high school through Assembly Bill 2121.



Graduation Rates

Newcomer Academy Graduates	
2022 - 2023	35
2023 - 2024	22
Total	57

Without the academy, these students would not have been able to graduate with a high school diploma.

How Students are Identified, Informed & Enrolled

01

A newcomer is a student who has been in the United States for three years or less and is identified on the Initial ELPAC as an English Learner.

02

The school registrars identify students upon enrollment based on the above criteria and notify the social worker.

03

The social worker contacts the parent/guardian to discuss the program and highlights its many benefits for the student

04

Upon enrollment completion to NPHS, the social worker schedules a newcomer orientation with the student and parent/guardian.

Additional Benefits

Transportation

Newcomer students from Westlake High School and Thousand Oaks High School, who are opting into the academy, are provided free transportation to and from NPHS.

Continuous enrollment

Students can enroll into the academy at any time throughout the school year. They also have the option to return to their home school.



Newcomer Academy Schedule

- English Language Development (ELD)
 - Designated Standards
 - Integrated Literacy
- Specially Designed Academic Instruction in English (SDAIE)
 - Social Science
 - Biology
 - Algebra Readiness
- Spanish for Native Speakers
- Physical Education

TUTORING CENTER

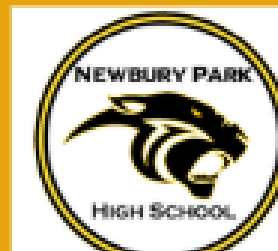
2024-2025

- ✓ ENGLISH
- ✓ MATH
- ✓ SCIENCE
- ✓ HISTORY & MORE

**MONDAY-THURSDAY
DURING LUNCH**



ROOM F-4



*Students are provided with front of the line passes for lunch if they go to the tutoring center.

Positive Behavior Intervention & Panther Store

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

RESPECTFUL
RAISE HAND TO SPEAK
APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE ONLY
LEAVE FOOD, DRINK, CANDY, AND GUM OUTSIDE

RESPONSIBLE
FOLLOW DIRECTIONS THE FIRST TIME
CELL PHONE IN BACKPACK
ASK QUESTIONS AND DO YOUR BEST!

READY TO LEARN
SEATED, SILENT, READY!
HAVE YOUR SUPPLIES

POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES

VERBAL WARNING

PHONE CALL HOME

REFLECTION

REFERRAL

DETENTION

*SEVERE INFRACTIONS MAY RESULT IN IMMEDIATE REFERRAL

Panther Store Menu

PANTHER BUCK
Teacher 1

- Lays Potato Chips 3
- Doritos Nacho Cheese 3
- Doritos Spicy Chili 3
- Doritos Flamas 3
- Takis 3
- Cup of Noodles 4
- Mechanical Pencil 1
- 3 Ring Binder 3
- Notebook 3
- Two Pocket Folder 1
- Divider 2
- #2 Pencil 1
- Eraser 1
- 0.7 Lead 2
- 3x5 Ruled Index Cards 2
- Expo Markers 2
- Playing Cards 3
- Uno Cards 3
- Stress Ball 3
- Pin 3
- Bracelet 2
- Sticker 1
- Rainbow Scratch Paper 3

Opportunities Additional

Guest Speaker Series

- Miguel Rodriguez – Public Labor & Community Relations Manager at Port of Hueneme
- MANDO: Mentors Against Negative Decisions Outreach
- Farissa Morales, Ph.D. – Dean of Academic Affairs, LA Mission College
- Paola Aguilera – Senior Product Manager, Bank of America

Field Trips

- Moorpark College
- Oxnard College
- Port of Hueneme
- Adult Education (Simi Valley & Conejo Valley)

Student Ambassadors

- Peer Support – Cultural Integration, Language Support, School Integration
- Middle School Guest Speakers
- Guest Speakers at the UDL Teacher Training
- Panther Store Volunteers
- ELAC Meetings



Parent Involvement

English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC)

- Sample Topics
 - Mental Health
 - College and Career
 - Community Resource Fair
- Student Recognition Awards
- End of the Year Celebration Meeting

Additional Parent Engagement Opportunities

- Newcomer Orientation and Tour (Student + Family)
- Semester Grades, Intervention and Resources





Parent Involvement

ELAC Attendance Comparisons	
October 2023	October 2024
7	72
December 2023	December 2024
37	53

Current Enrollment

High School	Academy Enrollment
Newbury Park High School	61
Thousand Oaks High School	16
Westlake High School	11
Total	88

Student Enrollment

2023/2024 School Year

Number of seniors in the academy: 24
Number of AB2121 seniors: 7 out of 24

2024/2025 School Year

Number of seniors in the academy: 21
Number of AB2121 seniors: 9 out of 21
Number of 5th year seniors: 3 out of 21





Student Speaker
Daniel Herrera



Thank you.