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Acceleration Days Update

Committee of the Whole

December 6, 2022

Strategic Plan

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Eliminating Opportunity Gaps

PILLAR 1
**Academic
Excellence**



Strategy: Target high-impact intervention and instructional programs to accelerate learning – such as summer school, **Acceleration Days**, and tutoring – for students most in need, including English Learners, students with disabilities, students in foster care, students experiencing homelessness, and other historically underserved groups

Acceleration Days Background

- Los Angeles Unified has spent months strategizing and implementing different initiatives and programs to address the learning loss resulting from the pandemic
- Acceleration Days are one such initiative, but are not designed to stand alone
- Individuals were invited to the table to discuss the what, how, and when
- We pivoted and are moving forward with the second-best alternative
- These valuable days will continue to take place during transitional periods, but at the beginning of the week

Acceleration Days Overview

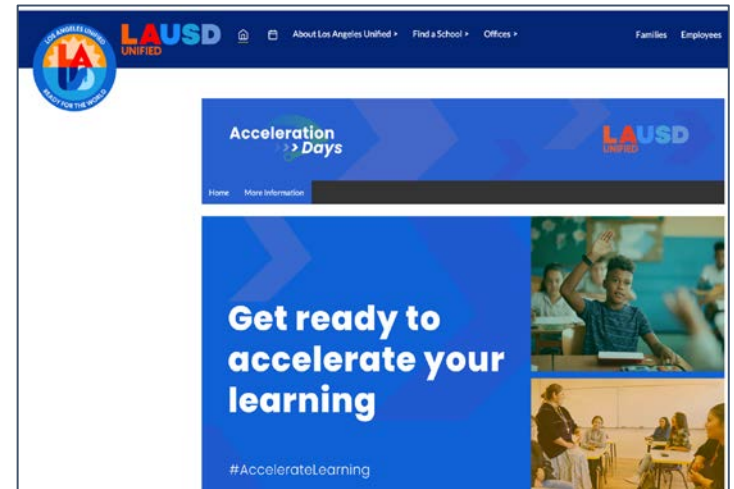
- In total, students will be given 32 additional hours of instruction, enrichment, connectivity, and social-emotional support at school
- Teachers and support staff will meet with students in one-on-one or small group settings to identify areas of improvement
- Identification of students most in need and targeted invitations and outreach
- Students who do not need additional instructional support will participate in enrichment activities



Community Outreach

Community stakeholders including families and employees have been consistently engaged around Acceleration Days:

- As part of the 100-day plan, over 100 meetings were held and we received over 14,000 comments including frank conversations regarding Acceleration Days
- All Local Districts have held town halls to review Acceleration Day plans and encourage family and staff participation
- Principals have held school-site meetings with their faculty and families to review same information
- Acceleration Day updates have been continuously shared with the community through websites, text messages, phone calls and other school communication



<https://achieve.lausd.net/accelerationdays>

Targeted Family Outreach

School site efforts include:

- Assisting families with registering at their school(s):
 - School meetings
 - Valet drop-off/pick-up
 - Parent-teacher conferences
- Activating volunteers, student leaders and school personnel to further engage students & families



Updated Communications Material

New flyers, website content and social media posts have been developed with additional information for families, including a list of participating school sites

Personalized support in the elementary classroom


Students will receive tailored support through instructional and enrichment programs.

Sample Schedule

Time	Activity
8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Small group literacy lesson or interactive read aloud
	Break
	Enrichment activity (such as dance)
	Small group math lesson or enrichment (such as an engineering challenge)
	Lunch
	Tutoring or enrichment (such as math problem solving)
	Recess
	Enrichment activity (such as a science exploration activity)
2:30 p.m.	Dismissal

Students will receive:


- Healthy meals
- Beyond the Bell after school programs
- Science and arts enrichment
- Targeted instruction for math and literacy



Acceleration Days

Home More Information Participating Schools

Learn more about Acceleration Days



Learn more about Acceleration Days and how they are designed to support students.

What are Acceleration Days?

Acceleration Days are designed to help address learning loss associated with the pandemic. These important days will provide additional instructional and enrichment opportunities for your child. With these extra days of instruction, teachers and support staff will be able to meet with students one-on-one or in small group settings.

In preparation for Acceleration Days, school staff will identify students in need and provide them with the appropriate educational support so that they may reach their highest potential. We want our students to graduate ready for the world.

For students who do not need additional instructional support, Acceleration Days provide opportunities for enrichment.

What are the benefits of four additional days of instruction?

In addition to 180 days of regular instruction during the school year, Acceleration Days provide additional opportunities for students and teachers to work together to improve student performance. Face-to-face instruction is a critical element of student success.

In total, students can receive up to 32 additional hours of instruction, enrichment, connectivity and social and emotional support at school.

Acceleration Days are one of several initiatives to help reduce the negative educational impact of the pandemic.

What can students expect? What does instruction and enrichment include?

Students will receive tailored academic support and enrichment based on their academic need. The Acceleration Day schedule will be the same as a regular school day. All participating students will be taught at a school within their community by a trained instructor.

To target resources where they are needed most, teachers and support staff may be assigned to different school locations depending on the subject matter and need. This means that students may not be taught by their regular teacher or attend their regular school during Acceleration Days. However, every effort will be made to ensure assigned school sites are close to the student's home.

Flyers (in English and Spanish)

Website with updated FAQ and list of school sites

¡Inscríbese ahora para acelerar el aprendizaje de los estudiantes!

Los días de aceleración tendrán lugar el **19 y 20 de diciembre, 2022.**

Para inscribir a su hijo/a, por favor comuníquese con su escuela a más tardar para el **martes 6 de diciembre.**

Para más información visite: achieve.lausd.net/accelerationdays

Social media outreach (in English and Spanish)

Current Progress

December Acceleration Days

Over 40,000 students have signed up for both days based on responses from families

Over 8,000 certificated school-site employees have committed to working both days

Over 6,000 classified school-site employees have committed to working both days

Key Updates

- All 100 priority schools will be open for the Acceleration Days, serving their enrolled students who choose to participate
- An additional 193 schools were selected to be open, based on student and staff survey results, for a total of **293 sites**
- If a specific school is not open, students can participate at a nearby site

School Participation Breakdown



Total School Count	Elementary Schools	Middle Schools	High Schools	Special Education Centers
293	152	62	67	12

What Does an Acceleration Day Look Like?

- Schedule will parallel that of a standard school day
 - Elementary: 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
 - Secondary: 8:30 a.m. – 3/3:30 p.m.
- Food Service provided to all students
- Beyond the Bell services for all students
- Transportation services for qualifying students



Sample Schedule-Elementary

Students Targeted for Support

Time	Activity
8:00 a.m. – 8:20 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Small Group (3–5 students) or 1:1 Literacy Lesson
9:30 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.	Break
9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	Enrichment Activity
10:40 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.	Small Group (3–5 students) or 1:1 Math Lesson
11:40 a.m. – 12:20 a.m.	Lunch
12:20 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.	Tutoring
1:20 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Recess
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Enrichment Activity



Elementary Schedule Sample

Students in Tier 1 (Non-Targeted)

Time	Activity
8:00 a.m. – 8:20 a.m.	Breakfast
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Interactive Read Aloud : Flashlight by Lizzie Boyd Engage in discussion, making connections and exploring character, themes, and vocabulary. Then create your own night scene drawing from the story.
9:30 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.	Break
9:40 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	Dance Create a dance sequence in the style of pop locking, document your movements, and perform them.
10:40 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.	Design a Toy Challenge Work in teams of 4-6 to plan, design, and create a toy that wobbles using a variety of real world materials.
11:40 a.m. – 12:20 a.m.	Lunch
12:20 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.	3 Act Math Task – “Do the Dew” Engage in discussion, critical thinking, and problem solving to discover how much sugar is in one can of <i>Mountain Dew</i> ?
1:20 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Recess
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Discovery Education Investigate the power of earthquakes to discover how earthquakes cause so much damage.

Sample Elementary Student Care Package



4th -6th Acceleration Day Care Package

Complete these activities throughout your day. Enjoy your learning time!

Times	Day 1 December 19, 2022	Day 2 December 20, 2022
20 minutes 8:00 a.m. - 8:20 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> Eat Breakfast <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Mindful Monday Prompt <input type="checkbox"/> Practice breathing <input type="checkbox"/> Practice calm-down strategies	<input type="checkbox"/> Eat Breakfast <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Grati-Tuesday Prompt <input type="checkbox"/> Practice breathing <input type="checkbox"/> Practice calm-down strategies
Math 30 minutes 8:20 a.m. - 8:50 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> Dreambox Math	<input type="checkbox"/> Dreambox Math
Math 30 minutes 8:50 a.m. - 9:20 a.m.	Three-Act-Math Task <input type="checkbox"/> Gr 3-4Three Act Math- H... <input type="checkbox"/> Gr 5-6 Three Act Math Pla...	Three-Act-Math Task <input type="checkbox"/> Gr 3- 4 Dueling Discounts Th... <input type="checkbox"/> Gr 5-6 Quick Points Three Ac...
20 minutes 9:20 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.	Recess	Recess
ELA 30 minutes 9:40 a.m. -10:10 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> Read and Respond <input type="checkbox"/> ELA Choice Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Read and Respond <input type="checkbox"/> ELA Choice Board
ELA 30 minutes 10:10 a.m. -10:40 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> Amplify Reading	<input type="checkbox"/> Amplify Reading
Movement 30 minutes 10:40 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> Stretch for 5 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Go Noodle / Yoga for 20 Minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Cool down for 5 minutes	<input type="checkbox"/> Stretch for 5 minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Go Noodle / Yoga for 20 Minutes <input type="checkbox"/> Cool down for 5 minutes
30 minutes 11:40 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.	Lunch	Lunch



4th -6th Acceleration Day Care Package

Times	Day 1 December 19, 2022	Day 2 December 20, 2022
Tutoring 30 minutes 12:20 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.	Complete 1 <input type="checkbox"/> On Demand Help <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual Tutoring <input type="checkbox"/> In-Person Tutoring	Complete 1 <input type="checkbox"/> On Demand Help <input type="checkbox"/> Virtual Tutoring <input type="checkbox"/> In-Person Tutoring
Science 30 minutes 12:50 p.m. -1:20 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> Discovery Passport	<input type="checkbox"/> Discovery Passport
Science 30 minutes 1:20 p.m. -1:50 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> Discovery Passport	<input type="checkbox"/> Discovery Passport
30 minutes 1:50 p.m. -2:20 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> Virtual Field Trip	<input type="checkbox"/> Virtual Field Trip
10 minutes 	Clean up / Dismissal	Clean up / Dismissal

Elementary Enrichment Activities

Sample

Subject	Enrichment Activity
Science Priority 1B, Enriching Experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Virtual Field Trip: Penguin Beach, Smithsonian Museum, the Ocean, etc. ▪ Engineering Design Process: Design a Goldfish Shelter, a Plant Container, etc. ▪ Animal Adaptations Exploration: Penguins, Elephants, and Cheetahs
Sports Priority 2B, Whole Child Well-Being	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Outdoor Activities: Relay Races, Obstacle Courses, Beanbag Hop, Four Square, etc. ▪ Indoor activities: Dance, Movement, or Exercise ▪ Restorative Fitness: Drumming, Emotion through Movement, Fitness Affirmations ▪ Wellness Programs: Cardio Training, Yoga, Strength Exercises, Sports Skills
Visual & Performing Arts Priority 1B, Enriching Experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dance Lessons: Choreography of Movement, Body, and Shape with Connections to Math, Science, and Literacy ▪ Theater Lessons: Pantomime, Improvisation, Actor's tools, Tableau, Character Development ▪ Visual Arts Lesson Menu: Shapes, Lines, Pattern, Texture, Portrait, Collage

Elementary Enrichment Activities Sample

Subject	Enrichment Activity
Digital Learning Priority 1A, High Quality Instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discovery Education Passport: Curated Acceleration Day Investigations ▪ Digital Citizenship Lessons: Online Safety, Media Literacy, Cyberbullying ▪ Digital Apps: BrainPop, Seesaw, ST Math, Zearn Dreambox, Raz Kids, etc.
Literacy Enrichment Priority 1A, High Quality Instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Interactive Lesson Read Alouds: Write About It, Act It Out, Illustrate It, Talk About It
Tutoring Priority 1A, High Quality Instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Paper.co: Use the interactive platform to access a Virtual Tutor, <i>Paper Live</i>, <i>Paper Math</i>, and/or Writing Feedback ▪ Tutoring Vendors: Provide small group virtual or in-person tutoring support
Math Enrichment Priority 1A, High Quality Instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3 Act Math Tasks Problem Solving: Discuss image/video to spark curiosity; create a group math question to solve, and dialog about revealed answers and real-world factors

Secondary Schedule Sample

Students Targeted for Support

Time	Overview
8:00 a.m.– 8:30 a.m.	Student Arrival, Breakfast, & Supervision
8:30 a.m.– 3:30 p.m.	Guided Opportunities to improve Academic Grades <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Opportunity for students in danger of failing to complete assignments that will lead to grade improvement – Teacher support with completing assignments
	Passing Period
	College and Career Preparation Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <u>Middle School</u>: Naviance Activities, Tutor.com (for computer, study, or life skills) and Individualized Graduation Plan (IGP) meetings – <u>High School</u>: Support with FAFSA Completion, Tutor.com (for SAT Prep) and IGP meetings
	Lunch
	Guided Opportunities to improve Academic Grades
	Passing Period
	Enrichment Activities
3:30 p.m.	Dismissal

Secondary Schedule Sample

Students in Tier 1 (Non-Targeted)

Time	Overview
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8:30 a.m.– 3:30 p.m.	College and Career Preparation Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Middle School</u>: Naviance Activities, Tutor.com (for computer, study, or life skills) and Individualized Graduation Plan (IGP) meetings - <u>High School</u>: Support with FAFSA Completion, Tutor.com (for SAT Prep) and IGP meetings
	Passing Period
	Enrichment Activities
	Lunch
	Tutoring
	Passing Period
	Enrichment Activities
3:30 p.m.	Dismissal

Guided Opportunities to Improve Academic Grades

Secondary

Topic	Activity
Academic Course Extension (ACE) Priority 1C. Eliminating Opportunity Gaps	Opportunity for extended time beyond the semester for students to demonstrate proficiency to improve grades
Performance Assessment Student Support (PASS) Priority 1C. Eliminating Opportunity Gaps	PASS is available in Schoology. Each course is and structured into modules based on clusters of standards.
Completion of standards-based assignments Priority 1A. High Quality Instruction	Guided support for Edgenuity, Schoology, or other platforms from the teacher of record.
College and Career Readiness	Essay feedback, Naviance
Tutoring Priority 1C. Eliminating Opportunity Gaps	Tutor.com: Use the interactive platform to access a Virtual Tutor for various Tutoring Vendors: Provide small group virtual or in-person tutoring support

Secondary Enrichment Workshops

Examples

Subjects	Middle School Workshops
Math Priority 1B, Enriching Experiences	NASA: Math Lessons: Space School Musical
Science Priority 1B, Enriching Experiences	Nature Conservancy Virtual Field Trips: e.g. Renewable Energy, Wild Biomes
District Wide KLCS Programming Priority 1A, High Quality Instruction	Teacher-Facilitated Programs: Time-specific

Subjects	High School Workshops
Advanced Placement Priority 1D, College and Career Readiness	MyAP/AP Classroom: Practice/Mock Tests
Science Priority 1A, High Quality Instruction	Five connected NGSS activities: Exploring Ecosystems
STEAM Priority 1A, High Quality Instruction	NASA: Math Lessons: Making Connections from Algebra 1 to Pre-Calculus
School-based Initiatives Priority 1C, Eliminating Opportunity Gaps	Ideas from Pilot Schools: Portfolio Progress Monitoring, Writing Workshops
Field Trips	Nature Conservancy Virtual Field Trips: e.g. Your Heart, Boeing Test Center

Next Steps

- Continued professional development and training of participating administrators, teachers, and support staff
- Confirmation notices with key information (locations, hours, etc.) distributed to students & families

