

# Implementing ESL In A Covid World

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# Ventura Adult and Continuing Education

- Located in the city of Ventura, approximately 60 miles North of Los Angeles.
- Serves approximately 3,000 students a year.
- One of only 11 adult schools in California whose CTE programs are accredited by the Council on Occupational Education







# VACE's English as a Second Language program:

 Six instructors serve approximately 500 students a year.

 Adopted Burlington English in 2014

Piloted Burlington
 Core 2019-20







### **Pre-Covid Instruction:**

- 3-hour sessions, morning and evening
- 2 hours of BE In-class Lessons using smartboards
- 1 hour BE Student Lesson practice using laptops in class.
- BE worksheets printed and bound as student workbooks
- All teachers used WhatsApp regularly to communicate with students





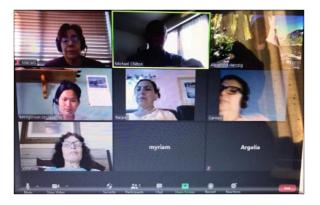


### "Challenges into Practice"

Kamala Harris, August 19, 2020



ESL in a Covid World



 On March 16, VACE's ESL transitioned to distance learning, using Zoom, Google Classroom, WhatsApp and Burlington English, maintaining 51% of pre-COVID-19 participation through the remainder of the school year.

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### **Initial Covid Instruction:**

- Initial contact and instruction via WhatsApp
- Distributed laptops to students
- Gradual transition to Zoom lessons
- Participating Zoom students encouraged others to join
- Maintained pre-Covid schedule of morning and evening classes, but shorter class duration
- Teachers recorded both in-class and independent BE attendance
- Two classes completed Census COAAP including remote assessment.





### 2020-21 Recruitment and Enrollment:

- Promoted ESL on social media with flyer giving a phone number to call to leave student name and phone number
- Distributed flyer to AJCC WIOA partners
- Teacher outreach to all previous and new students by phone, text and WhatsApp
- Fillable PDF enrollment form with WIOA-required demographic data completed by student or teacher
- Zoom meeting to complete enrollment form and CASAS pre-test
- BE teacher support created BE accounts and assigned to classes

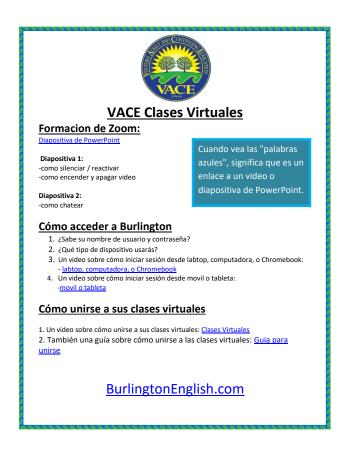






### 2020-21 Orientation:

- Zoom orientation including a shared document with links to:
- Zoom intro PPT
- BE tutorial and videos







### Burlington English as an LMS:

- BE reports provide in-depth data on student attendance and progress
- The BE Virtual
   Scheduler is used
   for announcements,
   links to Zoom
   lessons, and links
   to documents in
   Google Drive



### **VACE Clases Virtuales**

### Formacion de Zoom:

Diapositiva de PowerPoint

### Diapositiva 1:

-como silenciar / reactivar -como encender y apagar video

Diapositiva 2:

Cuando vea las "palabras azules", significa que es un enlace a un video o diapositiva de PowerPoint.

### Cómo acceder a Burlington

- 1. ¿Sabe su nombre de usuario y contraseña?
- 2. ¿Qué tipo de dispositivo usarás?
- 3. Un video sobre cómo iniciar sesión desde labtop, computadora, o Chromebook: -labtop, computadora, o Chromebook
- Un video sobre cómo iniciar sesión desde movil o tableta: 
   movil o tableta

### Cómo unirse a sus clases virtuales

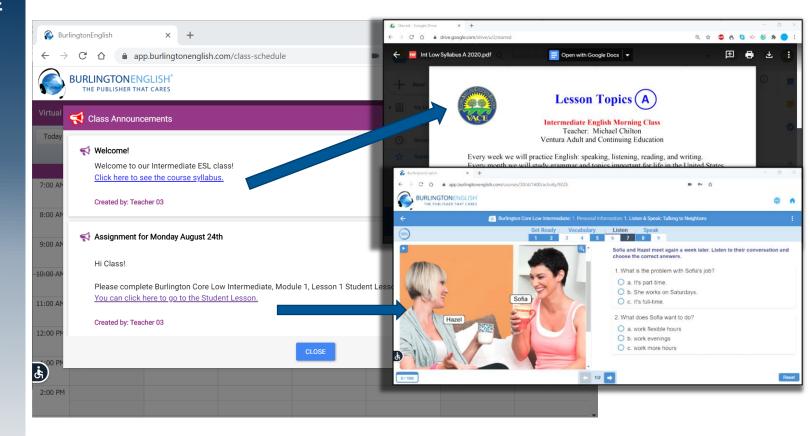
- 1. Un video sobre cómo unirse a sus clases virtuales: Clases Virtuales
- 2. También una guía sobre cómo unirse a las clases virtuales: <u>Guia para unirse</u>

**BurlingtonEnglish.com** 





## Burlington English Virtual Class Scheduler







### August 24: Covid Instruction MkII

- Morning and Evening sessions Mon-Thursday with the option for students to attend both
- 2 hour BE In Class Lessons via Zoom
- Daily BE Student Lesson assignments as "homework"
- BE worksheets printed and bound as Student Book
- Teachers have 1 hour daily for individual student assistance
- Friday lab session for student assistance





# The Challenge of Remote CASAS Testing:

- Instructors whose classes were discontinued due to Covid redeployed as Remote Academic Testers – The RAT Pack
- ESL instructors also conduct remote testing
- Following CASAS remote testing guidelines and procedures
- Began with one-on-one, gradually introduced multiple testing
- Since 11/02/20, parking lot testing 5 hours a day, 4 days a week







## Administering COAAPs Remotely:

- Instructors utilize Zoom breakout rooms
- Oral tasks one-on-one
- Written tasks observed and documents emailed
- Some instructors using Google classroom





### **End of First Quarter:**

- 184 students with 12+ hours, 60% of same period last year
- 87% of enrolled ESL students with 12 hours pre-tested and 62% posttested,58% with EFLs
- 74 students have completed COAAPs, 55% of last year





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### Thank you for attending!

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