

Welcome Back!



Here we are at the start of another exciting term. We would like to take this

helping hand. We sincerely wish each of you a successful semester. As always, we encourage you to take full advantage of all that Project Transition has to offer.

Here at Project Transition we know how to enjoy each other company in and out of the classroom.

opportunity to welcome back both our teachers and students. Students your commitment to this journey of creating a better life for you and your family is commendable. We realize it takes sacrifice and hard work every step of the way. As you progress through the different levels, keep in mind that the Project Transition staff, counselors, and teachers are here to extend a



TABE CLASSES

M & W

10:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M.

T & TH

10:00 A.M.—12:00 P.M.

Gold Coast Community School

4260 Westgate Ave.
Room 210



Project Transition ESOL students - Advance Level spends an evening out at City Place with their teacher Lynne Vainberg. Learning indeed can be a lot of fun!

BRINGING HOPE TO THE FUTURE

PROJECT TRANSITION TRANSFORMERS

West Palm Beach to celebrate World Refugee Day on June 20th



Forest Hill High School along with representatives from local refugee-serving organizations will host World Refugee Day 2009. It will be a grand celebration of the many local refugee groups and their journey to West Palm Beach.

The event is **free** and open to the public. The main program begins at 11:00 A.M.

Cultural singers, dancers and other performers will take the stage throughout the day. Visitors can purchase and enjoy foods & drinks from participating vendors.

Door prizes for the first 130 children will be made available. So, come out and bring your family for what will be a memorable day. Project Transition considers it an honor to be apart

What is World Refugee Day

In 2000, as an expression of solidarity with Africa, the United Nations General Assembly established June 20th as World Refugee Day to coincide with Africa Refugee Day. Since 2001, people all over the world have celebrated World Refugee Day with events that honor the world's nearly 10 million refugees and raise awareness about their continued plight. www.tcworldrefugeeday.org

Haitian Flag Day



For a country's citizens, the national

flag is a symbol of general pride. Haitians feel no different and even reserve a special day to honor it. That day is **May 18th**.

In Haiti, Flag Day is a major national holiday celebrated with great fanfare on the grounds of the national palace. Haiti's flag's origin is tightly linked to a history of struggle for freedom.

www.discoverhaiti.com/istory00_5_1.htm

Located in the Caribbean, between Cuba, Puerto Rico and Jamaica, the island of Haiti is inhabited by two independent nations: the Republic of Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

http://www.discoverhaiti.com/history_summary.htm



4th of July



The United States is truly a diverse nation made up of dynamic people. Each

year on July 4th, Americans celebrate their freedom and independence with barbecues, picnics, and family gatherings. We invite all nationalities to celebrate with Americans this Fourth of July.



Essay Contest

The Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition invited adult learners to submit an essay on the topic, "If you had one day to spend with President Barack Obama, what advice would you share with him?". Eight of our students from the Project Transition ESOL Classes accepted the challenge and submitted an essay. In honor of all the participants, the Coalition hosted a reception dinner on the evening of April 23rd and everyone was invited to attend along with their teachers. The attendees were treated to dinner, a guest speaker, and a chance to win a door prize. Project Transition staff, counselors, and teachers would like to extend our congratulations to students!



Angela Bell, Pabel Garcia, Daniel Gonzalez, Yaidis Infante, Idelbis Lago, Dayana Martinez, Ada Poo, and Victor San Luis.

A word of recognition is also extended to teachers, Jim Gold, Lynne Vainberg, and Nicole Williams

Project Transition Course

A. ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Foundations
Low Beginning
High-Beginning
Low-Intermediate
High-Intermediate
ESOLAS (Adult ESOL Academic Skills)

B. Classes

TABE Prep
Job Readiness Workshop
Entrepreneur Workshop
Computer Classes

C. Vocational

Manual Trades/
Apprenticeship
Medical Support
Computer Technology/
Software
Human Services/ Personal Care
Finance and Business



ESOL CLASSES

Calendar of Events

May 11, 2009—
Orientation 1st
day of Class, Term 3

May 25th, 2009 Memorial
Day , No Class

July 7, 2009 Post Testing

July 9, 2009 - Closing
Ceremony

A Reason to Celebrate

Happy Birthday

05.02 Yaikel Garcia
05.10 Carlos Valdes Martinez
05.12 Santa Velazquez
05.13 Didiana Rios
05.16 Nilan Derz
05.20 Yanisleidy Quintanilla
05.23 Quenia Almenarez
05.23 Angela Bell
05.23 Graciela Rosabal
05.24 Yurizan Beltran

05.25 Urbano Torres
05.25 Valya Oliva
05.27 Rosa M. Beritan
05.31 Raynier Morales
06.01 Niurka Riverol
06.02 Danay Perez
06.05 Keilyn Fernandez
06.09 Israel Serra
06.15 Isarahy Espinosa
06.16 Yayne Cruz

06.19 Lisandra Calvo
06.24 Jose Naranjo
07.03 Avigail Gomez
07.07 Magaly Sanchez
07.06 Carlos De Armas
07.17 Carlos Valdes Hernanedz
07.18 Javier Trujillo
07.22 Angel Escobar
07.25 Yuliet Pozo
07.30 Humberto Garcia

Calendar

May 05 Cinco De Mayo
May 10 Mother's Day
May 15 Paraguay Independence Day
May 16 Armed Forces Day
May 18 Haitian Flag Day
May 20 Cuba Independence Day
May 25 Memorial Day
June 14 U.S.A. Flag Day

June 21 Summer Begins / Fathers Day
June 20 World Refugee Day
July 04 U.S.A. Independence Day
July 05 Venezuela Independence Day
July 09 Argentina Independence Day
July 20 Colombia Independence Day
July 25 Puerto Rico Commonwealth Constitution Day
July 28 Peru Independence Day

To Ensure Success

ATTENDANCE

Each student is required to be present for at least 70 hours per term.

Students will be expected to arrive on time for class by 6pm and leave at 9pm, Monday through Thursday.

Students are allowed a 15 minute break per night.

EXAMINATIONS

Project Transition uses CASAS (Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems) to determine the English level and listening skills.

Students who miss more than 4 classes or less than 70 hours will not be allowed to post test.

Only students scheduled to complete CASAS will be allowed into classrooms on testing day.

CHEATING

Alteration of grade reports, transcripts, cheating, and plagiarism shall result in the student's withdrawal from the program.

PREPAREDNESS

Students will be asked to bring notebook paper, pens, and pencils for daily tasks and testing.

A portfolio will be kept by instructors with samples of student work to show progress.

CONDUCT

Interruptions such as cell phone use during class and visits by family and friends are disruptive to classroom learning and will not be tolerated.

Personal conversation not in English or regarding lessons, is considered to be disruptive behavior.

Florida law prohibits smoking within the school building or on school grounds.

Vocabulary Learning Tip: Practice, practice, practice. Learning a word won't help very much if you quickly forget it. It takes from 10 to 20 repetitions to really make a word part of your vocabulary. It helps to write the word and to start using the word.

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Computer Lab

Project Transition computer lab:

Offering: Ellis, Typing, Online software classes, Creole / Spanish computer class

Days: Monday—Friday

Hours: 8:00—5:00 P.M.

Phone Numbers: -561-687-6383
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Need More Practice

ELLIS & READING HORIZONS

Come to the Computer Lab located at :

Gold Coast Community School
4260 Westgate Ave. Room 206
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

Days: Monday—Friday

Hours: 8:00—5:00 P.M.

Interested???

Accent Reduction classes have begun

Monday and Wednesdays

2:00—3:00 or 3:00—4:00

If you are interested in taking this class please call 561-687-6370 and ask to talk to a counselor, or sign up with your teacher.

Session #2 begins May 20th !!!

First Come / First Serve.