



The LARAEC Insider

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Last Lunch with LARAEC until the Fall!!

Super Six Survival Sites for Teaching and Learning

Thursday, May 25, 12:30 - 1:30 PM

Presenters: The LARAEC Remote Learning
Team!



This session will share the Top 6 Survival Sites that have been “tested and approved” by educators across the LARAEC Consortium to add to your toolkit. The session will include a deep dive into these top sites that will help take your teaching and your students’ learning to the next level. During this session educators will have the chance to see a brief overview for all six sites that have been identified as great tools. Attendees will then have the opportunity to choose the tool they would like to explore on a deeper level and utilize one of them for a lesson, activity, or assignment.

Grab your lunch and join us! For registration and Zoom link [click here](#)

All Lunch with LARAEC sessions are recorded and are available for viewing at [Lunch with LARAEC](#) go to <https://laraec.org/lunchwithlaraec/>

Planning for Next Year



LAST Chance!!

The LARAEC Team is starting to work on the consortium Annual Plan for the 2023-24 school year. Our aim is to provide relevant and targeted support to adult education staff and faculty that reflects our current priorities.

We need your help! In order to evaluate some of the key

programs and your level of interest in planned activities, we've put together a short survey. (It shouldn't take more than 5 minutes!) Your responses will help us identify new priority areas that have emerged since the three-year planning process and **give us up-to-date information on what matters to you!** Just click on the survey link:

<https://forms.gle/GLVGoHxYzLP2ZRmTA>

Thanks for all you do to make LARAEC a leading consortium in California!

The LARAEC Experience

Call for Presenters!!!

The LARAEC Experience will be held on **Saturday, October 14, 2023 from 7:30 AM - 3PM** at the Sheraton Universal Hotel in Universal City.

Approximately 500 educators and adult education staff join us every year for a day of learning, collaboration, and celebration. The LARAEC staff is looking for dynamic presenters for the upcoming LARAEC conference. Sessions will be 45 minutes and focus on innovative and effective tools that will enhance and enrich instruction and support services in the field of adult education. We would like educators who can share effective strategies, tools, and resources that others can use in their classrooms and offices right away.



The submission portal is **OPEN** and the deadline for submission is August 18, 2023. To submit a proposal go to <https://laraec.org/conference/>

If you have any questions feel free to contact michele.stiehl@lausd.net



Innovation and Collaboration Awards Nominations are OPEN!

Every year we acknowledge the amazing innovative and collaborative work that is being done on our adult campuses.

Now is the time to let us know what you have been up to this year. Submit a nomination for your individual, campus, or district-wide projects. Award information will be shared as best practices to all member districts and recipients will be acknowledged at the LARAEC conference in October

The link below includes the nomination forms and samples of projects that might qualify. Nominations can be made for individuals or teams. If you won before, you can win again for another project!

Click here for the [nomination form](#) or visit the [LARAEC Conference page](#)

Thank you for all you do to support adult learners!

Research Shorts



Connecting you with some educational articles and studies to see how they might connect to our adult education programs. Try on some of these Research Shorts, keep what fits, and return the rest.

Consensus and Situational Leadership



For this week, we found an interesting article that explores some of the pros and cons of consensus models and introduces **Victor Vroom's Situational Leadership Model**. This article was part of a larger journal series called *Management Matters* by Laura Freebairn-Smith, creator of the Organizational Development and Learning Center at Yale.

The author outlines some of the **drawbacks of traditional decision-making practices**, like consensus and voting. Sometimes decisions rely on a leader having the final say, sometimes fake consensus can lead to disengagement and skepticism, and sometimes consensus doesn't value expert input.

The author has us consider a more flexible choice-based model that **aligns with what is needed in specific situations**. These choices fall along a **continuum between leader influence and group freedom**. Based on the situation at hand, a leader may elect to:

- **Decide** - Use personal expertise
- **Consult** - Get suggestions from an individual(s)
- **Consult** - Pose problem to a group for advice
- **Facilitate** - Serve as facilitator to work toward concurrence
- **Delegate** - Allow the group to decide

The full article suggests factors that may impact the decision-making model selected. It is a short interesting read. [Click here to get the full](#)

Motivation Zone



How a Game of Peak-A-Boo Can Change the World

Although this inspirational talk doesn't directly address adult education, we thought it had an inspiring message. **A seven year old shares an impactful message about how to change the lives of children and the adults they will become.** She discusses how a young brain craves connection, the importance of engaging with the children in our lives early and often, and how putting down our devices can impact a child's confidence. **This seven minutes is well worth it** and may even have you rethink how you interact with the young ones in your life.

The video can be found at <https://youtu.be/aISXCw0Pi94>

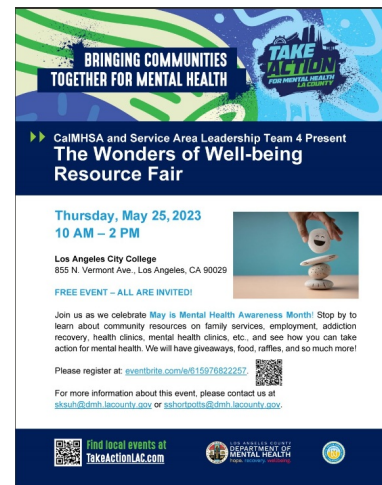
Resource Spotlight

The Wonders of Well Being Resource Fair

Did you know that **almost one in five Americans is living with some type of mental illness?** May is mental health awareness month, so **join Los Angeles City College as they host the Wonders of Well-being Resource Fair on Thursday, May 25th from 10am-2pm.**

Learn about community resources on family services, employment benefits sign up, health clinics, mental health clinics, and more. There will also be giveaways, food, raffles, and lots of fun activities. You can register by May 23rd at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-wonders-of-well-being-resource-fair-tickets-615976822257>

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**Rest, relax, recharge,
and enjoy your summer!**

**See you in the fall!
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