

2026 Special Worksite Officers Election for City, District Office and Trade Tech

Candidates Statements

Los Angeles City College

Chapter Chair Candidate: Jasmine Haywood-Daley



Hello everyone! My name is Jasmine Haywood-Daley, and I'm grateful for the opportunity to run for LACC Chapter Chair. I've officially been a member of the union for about four years now, and I know I still have much to learn.

I'm willing to continue learning, listening, and growing alongside my delegates and fellow union members. If elected, I'll do my best to work as a team, support our members, and help strengthen and improve our union together. I may not have all the answers, but I'm committed to showing up, doing the work, and giving it my best.

Los Angeles City College

Grievance Representative Candidate: Zachariah Maddren

My name is Zachariah Maddren, and I am running to be your Grievance Representative.

My goal as Grievance Representative is to follow the contract exactly as it is written. All classified staff deserve to work in a safe, professional environment, and to have their work respected. As Grievance Representative, I pledge to be your number one advocate at LACC. No concern will be too small for me to address. What I lack in experience, I will make up for in openness, honesty, and availability.

I have served on a number of hiring committees, both as an AFT 1521A Representative, and as an EEO Representative. In these committees, I have brokered compromises, managed disputes, and upheld equal and fair hiring policies on administrative, faculty, and staff hiring committees. People who have worked with me, both on hiring committees and in the Office of Institutional Effectiveness, know me to be a stickler for the rules. I am constantly reviewing and re-reviewing the procedures & regulations set forth by the college and the District. When it comes to the hiring of employees, new members of the LACC family, we cannot take half measures. I will carry that attitude with me should I become Grievance Representative.

I come from a long line of AFT 1521A members. My mother was Chapter Chair at Valley College for more than 6 years. My father was a member as well. My family has benefited immensely from the support and assistance of the classified staff union. As your Grievance Representative, I hope to do the same for you.

I thank you for putting your trust in me, and promise you that I will do everything and anything I can to make your voice heard on campus.

District Office

Chapter Chair Candidate: Yung Kim

Candidate for ESC Chapter Chair: Yung Kim



I am the Senior Network Engineer for ESC and my office is on the 2nd floor.

It's been my honor to serve as a delegate for ESC for the last few years as well as having served on the Contract Negotiations team for the 2023-2026 contract.

I started my LACCD career in AFT1521A in 2000 and after a stint in SEIU721A including time serving as LATTC SEIU721A rep, I returned to the AFT1521A in 2021.

I am committed to working closely with the district wide union officers in representing the AFT1521A membership's interests at ESC.

Our diligence and dedication to duty fills the technological and business process gaps in the district's operations and we deserve to be afforded the appropriate measure of respect by management.

The ESC work environment encompasses many situations unique to ESC and as such requires continuous civil and professional engagement with management.

As ESC Chapter Chair, I will represent you in assertive and positive engagement with management, to ensure your voice is heard and that our professional work environment is maintained.

Thank you.
Yung Kim

Emilia Solval



Personal Statement

Over the past 12 years, I have had the privilege of serving our District in a variety of roles and at multiple locations. These experiences have given me a broad understanding of our workplace, the challenges our members face, and the importance of strong union representation.

I am passionate about fairness, justice, and ensuring that every member is treated with dignity and respect. Throughout my time in the District, I have witnessed situations where employees were not treated fairly, and those experiences have strengthened my commitment to advocating for our members. I believe every employee deserves a workplace where their rights are protected and their voices are heard.

My knowledge of our union contract, combined with my dedication to learning and problem-solving, allows me to effectively support members and help ensure that contractual rights are upheld. I understand the value of listening, communicating, and working collaboratively to resolve concerns while holding all parties accountable to the standards outlined in our agreement.

As Chapter Chair, I would strive to help establish and maintain a safe, healthy, responsible, and accountable work environment for all members. I believe that when employees feel supported, respected, and informed, they are better able to serve our students and community.

I am seeking this opportunity because I genuinely care about our members and want to make a positive difference. I am committed to being an accessible, honest, and dedicated advocate who will listen, stand up for what is right, and work tirelessly to ensure that every member is treated fairly and justly. It would be an honor to serve as your Union Chapter Chair and represent the interests of our membership with integrity, and compassion.

Please Vote for me this October!!

District Office

Grievance Representative Candidate: Leslie Cruz

Candidate Statement — Leslie Cruz

Candidate for Grievance Representative | District Office & Van de Kamp Innovation Center

My name is Leslie Cruz, and I am a candidate for Grievance Representative for the District Office and Van de Kamp Innovation Center (VDK).

I believe every classified professional deserves to have their voice heard, understand their contractual rights, and have access to fair, respectful, and informed representation when workplace concerns arise.

I currently serve as the AFT 1521A Work Environment Committee Chair for the District Office and VDK and as the CAT-Remote Work Lead. Through my involvement with AFT 1521A, I have had the opportunity to listen to members, gather and analyze feedback, identify workplace concerns, collaborate with colleagues, and advocate for issues affecting classified professionals.

I have also personally navigated the grievance process. That experience provided me with firsthand perspective on the importance of effective representation and reinforced the value of listening, clear communication, confidentiality, careful documentation, integrity, accountability, accessibility, knowledge of our collective bargaining agreement, and consistent follow-through.

As Grievance Representative, I would bring these principles to the role. I am committed to being accessible and responsive to members, continuing to learn our contract and grievance procedures, working collaboratively with union leadership, and helping members understand their rights and the processes available to them.

I believe effective representation begins with listening and is strengthened by integrity, accountability, accessibility, preparation, professionalism, fairness, and follow-through.

It would be an honor to serve and support the classified professionals of the District Office and VDK.

Leslie Cruz

Candidate for Grievance Representative

District Office & Van de Kamp Innovation Center

Los Angeles Trade Technical College
Chapter Chair Candidate: William Madrigal

No Statement Provided

Los Angeles Trade Technical College
Chapter Chair Candidate: Carlos Guerrero

Hello, fellow AFT 1521A members,

I am proud to announce that I am running for AFT 1521A Chapter Chair at Los Angeles Trade-Technical College. LATTC and this community have been a part of my entire life. I grew up a few blocks away from the campus and began my education here in LATTC's Welding Program. I later transferred to California State University, Long Beach to study vocational education and earned my Master of Public Administration from California State University, Dominguez Hills.

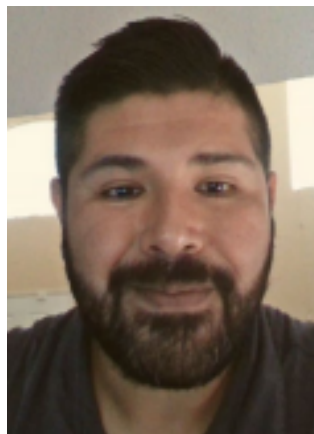
I began working at LATTC as a student worker in 2006 and became a full-time classified employee and dues-paying union member in 2013. Throughout my career, I have worked alongside union boards at Los Angeles Valley College, East Los Angeles College, and here at LATTC.

Over the past 20 years, I have had the opportunity to know and learn from many of our members. As a student worker, I worked for Carole Anderson, who taught me the importance of being an informed, objective, and dependable advocate.

I am running to honor the members who have guided me and to help keep our union strong. If elected, I will defend our contractual rights, work to protect and improve the wages, benefits, and working conditions we have been promised, and keep members informed about issues that affect us. I will listen to all sides, take an objective approach when addressing concerns, and work toward fair and reasonable solutions while firmly advocating for our members.

I want every dues-paying member to feel heard, supported, and represented. I respectfully ask for your vote for AFT 1521A Chapter Chair.

"Together, our voices are stronger, our rights are protected, and our union moves forward."



Los Angeles Trade Technical College
Grievance Representative Candidate: Aquakeiva Johnson

Brothers and Sisters, I am running to serve as your next Grievance Representative to ensure our contract is fiercely protected and universally enforced. In my two decades at LATTC, I have seen firsthand how critical clear communication and steadfast representation are to maintaining a fair workplace. As your representative, I will bring an thorough knowledge of our current contract, a commitment to strict timeline compliance, and a strategic approach to addressing management. My priorities are absolute confidentiality, keeping you thoroughly informed at every step of a dispute, and holding leadership accountable to the protections we earned. I ask for your vote so we can continue to build power and maintain a safe, fair worksite.

Best regards,

Aquakeiva Johnson