

# THE GU UPDATE: DEMOS EDITION

Fall 2021



GEAR UP 4 LA is honored to serve 340 ninth- and 10th-grade students and families at Thomas Jefferson High School. Every day, we support students' college and career goals by providing academic advising, college visits, empowerment workshops, parent field trips, dual enrollment courses, mentoring opportunities, and more! We are proud of the work we have accomplished together and look forward to our continued partnership to support students and TJHS's college and career-going culture!

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS August 2020- August 2021

- College/career workshops for students
- Dual enrollment classes
- Virtual college field trips
- 24/7 Tutor.com support
- Weekly peer mentor meetings
- Summer bridge programs
- Adult education enrollment for parents
- College preparation and financial aid workshops
- October College Awareness Month
- Money Smarts parent workshops
- Monthly Coffee with GEAR UP for parents
- One-on-one advising/social-emotional check-in with students and parents
- Office hours: student and parent support
- Partnership programs: PLUS ME, CSULA, LACC



### PARENT-GOT COLLEGE

*"Yo quiero que mis hijos saquen su carrera y yo siempre los estaré apoyando en todo yo se los e dicho que le echen ganas y gracias por la información que nos estan dando"*

*"I want my children to have their career and I will always be supporting them in everything I tell them to give it their all and thank you for the information you are giving us"*



### TEACHER-COLLEGE ACCESS DAY

*"Thank you for inviting me to the College Access day. It was such a positive experience to reconnect with likeminded folks!"*

### STUDENT-JAIME ESCALANTE MATH

*"This class lets me skip a year of math meaning that in 12th grade I could take an extra class to learn about college or on to what I want to do as a career."*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

Parent/Student Orientations  
Parent Workshops  
Parent Ambassadors Training  
Dual Enrollment  
National GU Week

OCTOBER

CLEF Series; GOT College  
Student GPA Workshops  
Graduation Presentations  
Coffee with GU  
Parent Ambassador Meetings

NOVEMBER

CLEF Series  
Parent College Visit  
FIS Advocacy Training  
Parent Ambassador Training  
Coffee with GU

DECEMBER/JANUARY

CLEF Series  
Parent College Visit: LACC  
Parent Ambassador Meeting  
Winter Camps

Visit our [website](#) for more events and information!

Staff

Michelle Sánchez, Site Coordinator | Alexis Basulto-Flores, Counselor | Sindy Ayala, Academic Advisor | Xochitl Gomez, Academic Advisor  
Jennyfer Amaya, Counselor Aide | Fabiola Rodriguez, PESA

# THE GU4LA IMPACT



## AUGUST 2020-AUGUST 2021

### STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

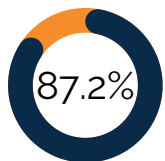
177

TOTAL GU4LA STUDENTS SERVED

949

HOURS PROVIDED

### MOST POPULAR SERVICES



About 177 out of 203 TJHS students, or 87.2%, received GU4LA services, increasing their college and financial aid knowledge and boosting their leadership skills. The most popular services were counseling/advising and workshops on topics such as leadership skills and academic planning. A total of 130 ninth-graders received one-on-one academic support, including financial aid college prep.

### FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

136

TOTAL GU4LA PARENTS SERVED

129

HOURS PROVIDED

### FAMILY PARTICIPATION

Our Parent Education Support Assistants (PESAs) dedicate their time to engaging our families and informing them about the resources available not only to children but for themselves. We take families on college tours, hold interactive career workshops and inform them about the affordability of college through Cash for College workshops.

Families participated the most in our counseling/advising services, with 133 families, or 65%, receiving one-on-one support!



Counseling/advising family participants

Stay Connected!



[www.gearup4la.net/schools/Jefferson](http://www.gearup4la.net/schools/Jefferson)

[JeffersonNava@gearup4la.net](mailto:JeffersonNava@gearup4la.net)

FOLLOW US!



@GEARUP4LA



[www.GEARUP4LA.net](http://www.GEARUP4LA.net)

# THE GU UPDATE: DEMOS EDITION

Fall 2021

## Meet your team



**Michelle Sánchez**  
Site Coordinator



**Alexis Basulto-Flores**  
Counselor



**Sindy Ayala**  
Academic Advisor



**Xochitl Gomez**  
Academic Advisor



**Jennyfer Amaya**  
Counselor Aide



**Fabiola Rodriguez**  
Parent Education Support  
Assistant (PESA)

We look forward to continuing working together to support our students and families. Thank you in advance for your collaboration! Please feel free to contact us in person and/or online.

Room 161



*Stay  
Connected!*



[www.gearup4la.net/schools/Jefferson](http://www.gearup4la.net/schools/Jefferson)



[JeffersonNava@gearup4la.net](mailto:JeffersonNava@gearup4la.net)



@GEARUP4LA



[www.GEARUP4LA.net](http://www.GEARUP4LA.net)