



Lancer News

Project Lead the Way (PLTW)



Students working on a project

Thinking about becoming an engineer or just interested in science? Well, Project Lead the Way is just the program for you. This year North Park has this program and is helping many students become better prepared for careers in engineering and science.

This classroom program is held by Ms. Valdiviez. She is very enthusiastic about the program and its future.

She says "It's going great and the students love it". So we interviewed some students in the program. Ruby A. says, "It's fun because I get to see what engineering is about". Ashely C. says "I think that the teaching is excellent and the teacher makes the perfect balance between education and fun." Aliyah M. says, "I like that you can interact with the rest of the class."

Right now students are learning many things. They are focusing on STEM, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. And also focused on design and modeling. Ms. Valdiviez says they will also will try to make robots that can move. As you can see the learning in Project Lead the Way is very hands on. Not only do students

Overall this program is here to help students choose a better career path in an exciting and helpful way.

Emily Reyes



Think Together

Think Together is an afterschool program for kids.

In Think Together they do homework, arts and crafts, and even get to play sports. Think Together also has awesome

program leaders; Ms. Libby, Ms. Erica, Mr. Ricardo & Ms. Bree.

All of them are so fun and willing to help them if needed.

I had the pleasure of interviewing a few of my friends in this program to get their opinion of what they like most. Andrew B, said "I love the free snacks." Gustavo P said, "I enjoys playing sports."

And just like myself, Meliza G said, "I like to finish all my homework during Think Together."

The after school program even offers clubs, like ASB, arts & crafts and science lessons. Although we all do different things during our time here, the one thing we all enjoy doing is hanging out with our friends.



Adrian Arzola

Get to know CPM



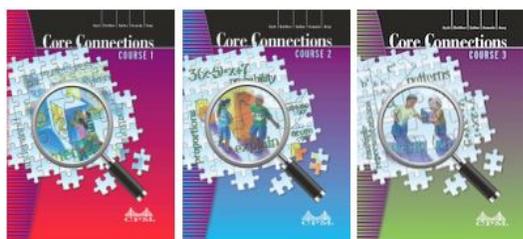
North Park Middle School, home of the lancers, has received new math books and is working with a new program CPM, College Preparation Mathematics, is that program.

I interviewed students about the math books and what they think of them. They mentioned how they helped allow people to understand the questions better. This particular program, they said, also has newer problems and challenges than our previous math program.

CPM is definitely different from the size of it. It is much easier to carry this small math book, which is convenient to students that already have no space or too much weight in their backpack. This allows them not to struggle on their way to and from home because they can also go on the internet and avoid taking their book home.

I personally think that this program is great and I am looking forward to working with it. What do you, fellow lancers, think about it?

Claudette De La Garza

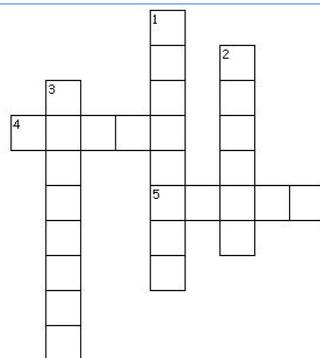


Extended Program Academy (EPA)

Homework club or the Extended Program Academy, meets at the library every day except on Wednesdays, from 3:00 to 4:30. To get into homework club you need to sign in. In homework club there are many teachers for different subjects, to help you. In Homework Club there are three different rooms, the Quiet room, the collaboration room, and the music room.

The quiet room is where there is no talking, you can either study, read, or do your homework. The collaboration room is where you can do a project with a group or help each other with homework. The music room is where you can practice playing your instrument. Overall, the Homework Club is a great place to interact with people and finish classwork. Also, to relax and use technology

Claudette De La Garza and Adriana Ayala



Across

4. Force of character, determination, or nerve
5. of the color between blue and yellow in the spectrum

Down

1. the quality or state of being strong
2. a soldier of a cavalry regiment armed with lances
3. the quality of being noble in character