



Torrance  
Adult  
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**TORRANCE ADULT SCHOOL**

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# **High School Diploma & Equivalency (HSD/HSE) Catalog**

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**FALL 2025**



# High School Diploma & Equivalency

**Fall 2025: September 2 - December 12**

## Registration Begins July 1

Use the QR Code or Link below to register for classes.



### Quick Links:

- [How to Register](#)
- [Register for HSD/HSE Classes](#)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- New students must meet with the Counselor for placement & academic/career plan.
- Non-native English speakers must complete Advanced ESL or its equivalent before enrolling in ABE/ASE High School Education courses.
- **ABE/ASE classes are FREE - NO COST.**
- All courses use an online platform to give students 24/7 access to coursework - **Students are required to take ALL unit and final exams on campus in the Learning/Language Arts Center (Room 10) during lab hours.**
- Credentialed teachers and instructional aides are available during lab hours for assistance.
- Direct Instruction courses are offered at specific times for Math, English, Social Studies, & Science.
- HiSET or GED Prep is available for all subjects.
- All online courses can award diploma credits upon completion.
- The available course offerings are for high school diploma credits, advanced courses, and subject remediation.
- Visit the TAS Website for our [Policies & Procedures](#).

## GRADUATION CEREMONY

Torrance Adult School will celebrate commencement on  
**Thursday, May 28, 2026 at 7:00pm.**

Adult students who have met TAS high school diploma requirements or successfully passed the GED or HiSET exams are invited to celebrate by wearing the traditional cap and gown, surrounded by family and friends!



## IMPORTANT DATES

### FALL 2025 REGISTRATION DATES

- July 1 - Online Registration Begins
- Aug 4 - Walk-In & Mail-In Registration Begin

### SCHOOL HOLIDAYS (No Class Meetings)

- Nov 11 - Veterans Day
- Nov 24-28 - Thanksgiving Break



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# Earn Your Diploma

# **FASTER**

## at Torrance Adult School

**NEW**

## TAS High School Diploma Fast Track

**Fast Finish**

Now only **145 Credits** for HS Diploma!

**HSE + 50**

Students who passed the GED/HiSET only need **50 more credits** to graduate!

**Earn & Learn**

Get **up to 15 credits** through work experience!

**FREE**

## Classes for Diploma & GED at TAS

**Registration Now Open for the Spring 2025 term!**

**Ready to Begin? Scan the QR Code & Register Online!**



**(310) 533-4689**



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# LEARNING LABS

## LANGUAGE ARTS CENTER LABS

**IMPORTANT: Lab Hours M-Th 8:30am-8:30pm and F 8:30am-12:30pm.**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- Labs are an open environment where students can learn English language arts skills - from non-reader level to competency-based diploma courses.
- ABE program is a literacy program that provides students with essential reading, writing, speaking, listening, critical thinking, and problem-solving skills.
- High school English courses may be taken in self-paced / independent study labs OR in our new Direct Instruction English Fundamentals courses.

## LEARNING CENTER

**IMPORTANT: For Adult Secondary Education (ASE), High School Diploma & Enrichment Courses, HSE Math exam preparation. Learning Center Hours M-Th 8:30am-8:30pm and F 8:30am-12:30pm.**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- Provides direct instruction courses General Basic Math, Algebra, & HSE Math Prep.
- Offers online self-paced independent learning for all high school credit courses.
- Students may enroll in classes required for diploma, enrichment, and/or HSE prep.
- A credentialed teacher and staff are available for all students who need assistance.
- The Learning Center has a 6-hour per week mandatory attendance requirement.

## READING SKILLS - SMALL GROUP WORKSHOPS

**IMPORTANT: Reading Skills (ABE) students highly encouraged to attend small group workshops to work with a credentialed teacher. Reading Skills Hours M 5:30pm-8:30pm and M & W 12:30pm-2:30pm.**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- Workshops provide foundational development and integration of communication skills in four major areas - reading, writing, speaking, and listening.
- Students will develop their reading skills (such as identifying main ideas, supporting details, sequence, facts & opinions) while reading a variety of literature.
- The development of writing skills will help students with understanding sentence structure, subject-verb agreement, participles, and phrases emphasizing parts of speech and their roles.
- Students in this course will increase their vocabulary and understand how to effectively communicate when using the English language.

**Reading Skills (Day): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; M & W 12:30pm-2:30pm ; Razavi, Hamilton Adult Center Rm 11**

**Reading Skills (Night): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; M 5:30pm-8:30pm ; Razavi, Hamilton Adult Center Rm 11**

**IMPORTANT: This schedule is for Hamilton Adult Center High School Education Classes only.  
More courses are available online through our Odysseyware (OW) online program.**

HAMILTON MORNING CLASSES			
Course	Dates	Day & Time	Room
English 4A	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	MWF 9:00am-12:00pm	Rm 11
Math A	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	MWF 9:00am-10:30am	Rm 4
Math B	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	MWF 10:45am-12:15pm	Rm 4
Algebra 1A/1B	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 9:00am-12:00pm	Rm 3
HSE Prep	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 9:00am-12:00pm	Rm 9
HAMILTON AFTERNOON CLASSES			
Course	Dates	Day & Time	Room
Reading Skills Small Groups	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	M & W 12:30pm-2:00pm	Rm 11
HSE Writing	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 12:30pm-2:30pm	Rm 11
Math A	09/22/2025 - 12/12/2025	M & W 1:00pm-3:30pm	Rm 4
HSE Math	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 1:00pm-3:00pm	Rm 3
HAMILTON EVENING CLASSES			
Course	Dates	Day & Time	Room
Algebra 1A/1B & HSE Math	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 5:30pm-8:30pm	Rm 3
Math A	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	M & W 5:30pm-8:30pm	Rm 3
Math B	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	M & W 5:30pm-8:30pm	Rm 3
English 2A	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T-Th 5:30pm-8:30pm	Rm 11
Reading Skills Small Groups	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	M 6:00pm-8:00pm	Rm 11
HSE Prep	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 5:30pm-8:30pm	Rm 9

# ENGLISH AND SOCIAL STUDIES COURSES

## ENGLISH

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- Students can earn High School English credits and improve English Language Arts skills in order to pass the HSE English Language Arts Reading & Writing Exams.
- Build on sequential development and integration of communication skills in 4 major areas: Reading, Writing, Speaking, & Listening.
- Strengthen an increasingly advanced understanding of the structure of language and grammar, and use this knowledge to write literary analyses, professional career documents, poetry, advanced essays, and a focused research project.
- Students will read and comprehend a variety of literature, including drama, literary fiction, poetry, and foundational American documents.
- Students earn up to 5 English credits upon successful completion of coursework.

**English 4A: Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; MWF 9:00am-12:00pm ; Staff ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 11**

**English 2A: Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; T-Th 5:30pm-8:30pm ; Razavi ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 11**

## GOVERNMENT

**CANCELLED**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- Students will gain a strong foundation of the principles of American democracy.
- Learn about the types of governments, focusing on the American form of government
- Students will learn about the history of governments, the characteristics of the United States government, political parties, and the voting process.
- Students earn up to 5 Government credits upon successful completion of coursework.

**Government: Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; T & Th 10:45am-12:15pm ; Staff ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 11**

## US HISTORY A

**CANCELLED**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- Covers early American exploration to the present day, placing special emphasis on the politics of the 18th and 19th centuries and the Civil War.
- Focus on 3 major content strands: History, Geography, and Government & Citizenship.
- Students earn up to 5 US History credits upon successful completion of coursework.

**US History A: Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; T & Th 9:00am-10:30am ; Staff ; Hamilton Ad Ctr Rm 11**

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# MATHEMATICS COURSES

## MATH A

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- This course is designed to develop a solid foundation in basic mathematics to prepare students to advance to pre-algebra or algebra courses.
- Topics include basic arithmetic skills & problem-solving: Four Operations in Whole Numbers; Fractions & Decimals, Ratios, Rates, & Proportions; Percent & Percent Change.
- Application of math concepts in real-world problem solving independently and collaboratively, and effective use of technology are incorporated in daily lessons.
- Students earn up to 5 Math credits upon successful completion of coursework.

**Math A (Morning): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; MWF 9:00am-10:30am ; Chang ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 4**

**Math A (Afternoon): Sep 22 - Dec 12 ; M & W 1:00pm-3:30pm ; Chang ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 4**

**Math A (Evening): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; M & W 5:30pm-8:30pm ; Mori ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 4**

## MATH B

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- This course is designed to transition students from arithmetic to algebra and geometry.
- Course contents include a review of rational number operations and an introduction to algebra, including Operations on Signed Numbers, Ratio, Proportion, Percentages, Variable Expressions, Polynomials, and Solving Equations & Coordinate Graphing.
- Students earn up to 5 Math credits upon successful completion of coursework.

**Math B (Morning): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; MWF 10:45am-12:15pm ; Chang ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 4**

**Math B (Evening): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; M & W 5:30pm-8:30pm ; Mori ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 3**

## ALGEBRA 1A

**IMPORTANT: Prerequisites - Pass Diagnostic Test or Pass Math B or Receive Counselor Approval**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- This course focuses on the first half of a standard Algebra 1 curriculum, covering foundational algebraic concepts like solving and graphing linear equations and inequalities, understanding variables and expressions, working with real numbers, and interpreting word problems through graphs & tables.
- Prepares students to pass the HSE Math Exam.
- Students may repeat the course if needed.
- Students earn up to 5 Algebra credits upon successful completion of coursework.

**Algebra 1A (Morning): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; T & Th 9:00am-12:00pm ; Mori ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 3**

**Algebra 1A (Evening): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; T & Th 5:30pm-8:30pm ; Mori ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 3**

## ALGEBRA 1B

**IMPORTANT: Prerequisites - Pass Diagnostic Test or Pass Math B or Receive Counselor Approval**

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

- This course focuses on the second half of a standard Algebra 1 curriculum, covering quadratic equations, exponential functions, advanced graphing techniques, and systems of equations.
- Prepares students to pass the HSE Math Exam.
- Students may repeat the course if needed.
- Students earn up to 5 Algebra credits upon successful completion of coursework.

**Algebra 1B (Morning): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; T & Th 9:00am-12:00pm ; Mori ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 3**

**Algebra 1B (Evening): Aug 27 - Nov 21 ; T & Th 5:30pm-8:30pm ; Chang ; Hamilton Adult Center Rm 4**

# HSE PREP COURSES

These HSE Prep courses are designed for students who will be taking an HSE Exam (HSET or GED) in one of the subjects in the near future.

- Take practice tests to determine your readiness for the official exam!
- Improve your skills that are necessary for passing the HSE Exams!
- HSE Prep courses are offered every term - more dates will be added throughout the year!

## HSE WRITING

- Prepares students to take the HSE Writing Exam.
- Practice your reading, speaking, listening, writing skills.
- Improve your academic writing skills.

## HSE PREP (For HSE Reading, HSE Social Studies, and/or HSE Science)

- Prepares students to take the HSE Reading, HSE Social Studies, and/or HSE Science Exams - students work on this independently.
  - **HSE Reading** - Students will practice the following reading skills: comprehension, inference & interpretation, analysis, and synthesis & generalization.
  - **HSE Social Studies** - Increase your knowledge of the four main social studies content areas: history, civics/government, economics, and geography.
  - **HSE Science** - Increase your knowledge of the three main science content areas: life science, physical science, and earth science.

## HSE MATH

- Prepares students to take the HSE Math Exam.
- **Pre-requisites - Math A, Math B, and preferably Algebra 1A or equivalent.**
- Covers necessary math skills and knowledge to pass the HSE Math exam.

HSE BOOT CAMP SCHEDULE Hamilton Adult Center, 2606 W. 182nd St			
HSE Writing	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 12:30pm-2:00pm	Rm 11
HSE Math	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025 08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 12:30pm-2:30pm T & Th 5:30pm-8:30pm	Rm 3
HSE Prep (For Science, Reading, or Social Studies)	08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025 08/27/2025 - 11/21/2025	T & Th 9:00am-12:00pm T & Th 5:30pm-8:30pm	Rm 9



**HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY (HSE)****HISET EXAM - Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18****IMPORTANT: Email [Kavoulakis.Theano@tusd.org](mailto:Kavoulakis.Theano@tusd.org) for questions and exam registration. No HISET Refunds.**

- Try our FREE HSE Prep courses to prepare for the exam!
- 5 subject areas - Reading, Writing, Math, Science, Social Studies
- Cost: TAS Student - \$30 per subject / \$130 for entire test ; Non-TAS Student \$45 per subject / \$199 for entire test

**HiSET Exam Fee Waiver Available!****You must meet ALL of the following requirements to be eligible for the HiSET Exam Fee Waiver:**

- Accumulate a minimum of 20 hours of class attendance.
- Must have completed at least two practice HiSET tests prior, per subject, with qualifying scores of **"Prepared"** or **"Well Prepared"**.
- Must be approved by the school counselor to be eligible for the HiSET fee waiver.

**HISET EXAM SCHEDULE**

Test Date	Test Area	Testing Time	Registration Period
Sep 16	Science	9:00am	08/25/2025 - 09/10/2025
Sep 16	Soc. Studies	11:00am	08/25/2025 - 09/10/2025
Sep 17	Math	9:00am	08/25/2025 - 09/10/2025
Sep 17	Reading	11:00am	08/25/2025 - 09/10/2025
Sep 18	Writing	9:00am	08/25/2025 - 09/10/2025
Test Date	Test Area	Testing Time	Registration Period
Oct 14	Science	5:00pm	TBD
Oct 14	Soc. Studies	7:00pm	TBD
Oct 15	Math	5:00pm	TBD
Oct 15	Reading	7:00pm	TBD
Oct 16	Writing	5:00pm	TBD
Test Date	Test Area	Testing Time	Registration Period
Nov 12	Science	9:00am	TBD
Nov 12	Soc. Studies	11:00am	TBD
Nov 13	Math	9:00am	TBD
Nov 13	Reading	11:00am	TBD
Nov 14	Writing	9:00am	TBD
Test Date	Test Area	Testing Time	Registration Period
Dec 2	Science	5:00pm	TBD
Dec 2	Soc. Studies	7:00pm	TBD
Dec 3	Math	5:00pm	TBD
Dec 3	Reading	7:00pm	TBD
Dec 4	Writing	5:00pm	TBD

**GED EXAM - Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18****IMPORTANT: Go to [GED.com](https://GED.com) for account creation, questions, score reports, and exam registration.**

- Try our FREE HSE Boot Camps to prep for the exam!
- 4 subject areas - English, Math, Science, Social Studies
- Cost - \$35 per subject

GED EXAM SCHEDULE		
September Test Dates	Test Location	Testing Time
Tuesday, Sep 9	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, Sep 11	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Tuesday, Sep 23	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, Sep 25	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Tuesday, Sep 30	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	5:00pm-9:00pm
October Test Dates	Test Area	Testing Time
Tuesday, Oct 7	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, Oct 9	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Tuesday, Oct 21	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, Oct 23	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Tuesday, Oct 28	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	5:00pm-9:00pm
November Test Dates	Test Area	Testing Time
Tuesday, Nov 4	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, Nov 6	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Tuesday, Nov 18	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, Nov 20	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
December Test Dates	Test Area	Testing Time
Tuesday, Dec 2	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	9:00am-12:00pm
Thursday, Dec 4	Levy Adult Center Testing Lab Rm 18	5:00pm-9:00pm

**Career Training Courses for HSD/HSE Students**

Students working toward their high school diploma (HSD) or high school equivalency (HSE) can co-enroll in a Career Technical Education (CTE) class.

(Note: The Pharmacy Technician program requires students to have a high school diploma or GED.)  
For complete course descriptions and requirements for each course, please refer to the CTE catalog.

**GRIFFITH ADULT CENTER - 2291 Washington Ave, Torrance, CA 90501****GRIFFITH MORNING IET CLASSES**

Course	Day & Time	Room	Instructor
Microsoft Excel I/II & MOS	M & W 9:00am-12:00pm	Griffith Ad Ctr Rm 6	Yuan

**GRIFFITH AFTERNOON IET CLASSES**

Course	Day & Time	Room	Instructor
Computer Fundamentals	M & W 12:30pm-3:00pm	Griffith Ad Ctr Rm 6	Yuan
Microsoft Word I/II & MOS	T & Th 12:30pm-3:30pm	Levy Ad Ctr Rm K2	Yuan

**LEVY ADULT CENTER - 3420 W. 229th Pl, Torrance, CA 90505****LEVY MORNING CLASSES**

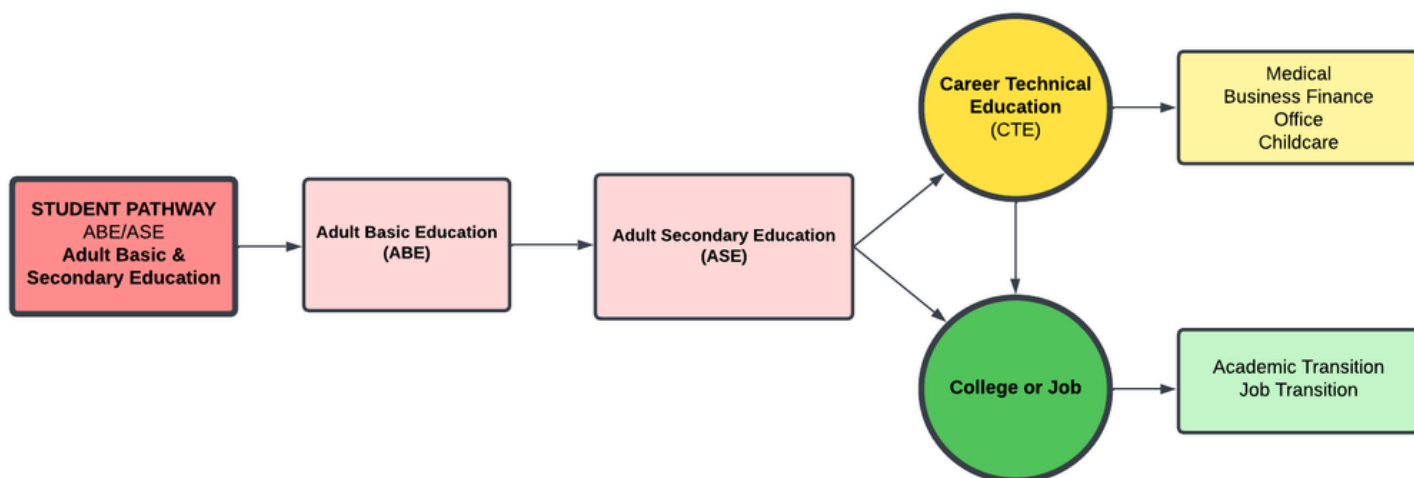
Course	Day & Time	Room	Instructor
Pharmacy Tech for ESL/IET	M-F 8:30am-12:00pm	Levy Ad Ctr Rm 15	Vargas/Wang
Medical Billing & Coding for ESL/IET	M-Th 8:30am-12:00pm	Levy Ad Ctr Rm 13	Evans/Salter

**LEVY AFTERNOON CLASSES**

Course	Day & Time	Room	Instructor
Medical Assistant for ESL/IET	M-Th 12:30pm-4:30pm	Levy Ad Ctr Rm 13	Evans/Salter
Medical Terminology for ESL/IET	T-Th 1:00pm-4:00pm	Levy Ad Ctr Rm 15	Vargas/Wang

**LEVY EVENING CLASSES**

Course	Day & Time	Room	Instructor
Microsoft Excel I/II & MOS	T & Th 6:00pm-9:00pm	Levy Ad Ctr Rm K2	Yuan



## GET HELP WITH YOUR GOALS

### Student Support Services



#### Academic Transitions

- College
- GED/HiSET Testing
- Certiport Testing



#### Job Transitions

- Resume
- Job Applications
- Interview Prep



#### Agency Referrals

- Employment
- Financial Aid
- Foreign Documents



#### Wellness Resources

- Mental Health
- Housing Assistance
- Transportation



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# TORRANCE ADULT SCHOOL LOCATIONS

## HAMILTON CENTER (HAC)

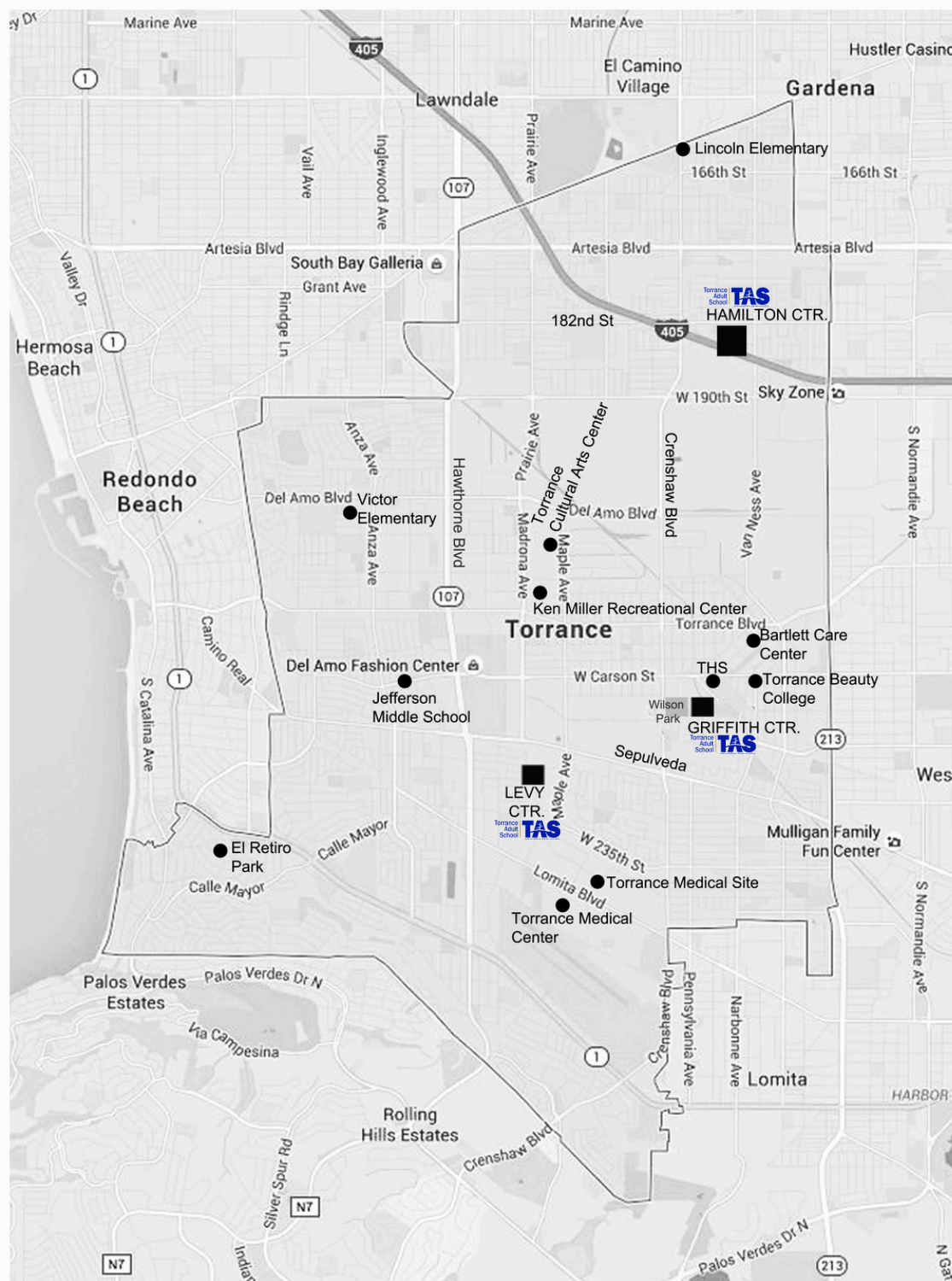
2606 W. 182nd St, 90504  
(310) 533-4689 ext. 8400

## GRIFFITH CENTER (GAC)

2291 Washington Ave, 90501  
(310) 533-4689 ext. 8300

## LEVY CENTER (LAC)

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