

The English Center *newsletter* 

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## ABE/ESOL/GED

WHO ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR AS THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON IN YOUR LIFE? WHY?

| STUDENT           |  | TEACHER         |
|-------------------|--|-----------------|
| Sylvia Lopez      | God, because he helps me.  | Mr. Oliva       |
| Kevin Maradiaga   | My father. I love him the most.  | Ms. Arriete     |
| Pasha Khajavi     | My wife and children. They are good for me.  | Mr. Soto        |
| Araceli Hernandez | My mom. She is a hardworking person, and I see everything she does. She is somebody I want to be like. | Mr. Ordoñez     |
| Lucy Monsalve     | My daughter. She is the most beautiful person in my life.  | Ms. Martinez    |
| Yonathan Torres   | My mom. She devotes her life to me.  | Mr. Bernal      |
| Sonia Balbuena    | God and my son. My son is my life.   | Mr. Albuquerque |
| Veronica Orozco   | My dad. He is my favorite person.  | Mr. Perez       |

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The colonial pilgrims, original settlers in America, in 1621 gave thanks for a successful harvest in a festival held the fourth Thursday of November with turkey as a thanksgiving meal. The tradition continues annually until today. It is considered the busiest time of the year with holiday planning starting and the trimester drawing to an end. It is a day to take a pause and reflect. I am thankful for the teachers, support staff, and administrators who come to school prepared to provide the best possible experience for students...and to the students who study hard to succeed. I wish everyone an enjoyable Thanksgiving Day with friends and family.



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#### IT WAS A LONG WALK TO THE ENGLISH CENTER

The social and political situation in Cuba two years ago motivated Lucy Salazar a teacher and an accountant, to leave Havana, Cuba to come to the United States. She traveled with her husband and 7 friends. During the trip, which cost \$7,000, they hid and they slept. They walked a lot. Sometimes they took a bus or a boat. They crossed the border from Ecuador and went north to Colombia. Then they passed through the Panama Canal to Costa Rica and Mexico and crossed the U.S. border in Laredo.

She likes Miami because it has a large Cuban population and Hispanic cultures. A neighbor took her to The English Center to register for English class. Now she studies in Ms. Martinez's cosmetology program. Lucy says, "I like to create styles and transform people. They come in one way and go out another." She loves hairstyling and the idea of raising a client's self-esteem. In the future she plans to study citizenship.

**EVENTS** Electric light bulb patented Nov 1.... -1879 Nov 2..... Space station opened-2000 Nov 4.... Daylight savings time ends Nov 8..... X-ray was discovered-1895 Nov 11.... Veteran's Day Nov 13.... Vietnam Memorial dedicated -1982

- Nov 18.... Antarctica discovered-1820
- Nov 19.... Gettysburg Address delivered -1863.
- Nov 22... Thanksgiving Day
- Nov 22.... President John F. Kennedy assassinated -1963