







# **ELC OFFERS YOU**

An understanding of building a company

02 Real life experiences

Taking your idea into the "real 03 world" of company development

Presenting your company to an entrepreneurial panel

### Use the ELC experience to develop your company



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- Are you a High School Junior?
- Have you ever watched "Shark Tank" on TV and said to yourself, "I can do that?"
- Have you ever thought about creating your own company?

If you answered "yes" to these questions, you fit the profile of an "entrepreneurial thinker" and should take the next step.



# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE: (3-DAY EVENT)

Wednesday, March 26, 2025, 7:00 AM - Conference starts at West Valley College.

**Wednesday afternoon** - Students travel by bus to Asilomar, Pacific Grove.

Friday, March 28, 7:00 PM - Students return by bus to West Valley College.



**Mission:** Provide to high school juniors a working introduction to the opportunities, benefits, and challenges of establishing a business or providing a service in our free enterprise system.

**Goal:** Understanding business techniques through the creation of a hypothetical company.

#### How it Works for Students

- GPA is NOT a criterion for acceptance!
- Each student fills out an on-line application and answers 3 basic questions:
  - 1. Why are you interested in applying for this business conference?
  - 2. How do you think attending this conference will influence your future goals?
  - 3. In ten years, what would you like to be able to tell others about yourself?
- Selection committee of business-oriented Rotarians reviews applications and selects students. Ten teams are created with each team consisting of 6 students from different high schools.
- Selected students <u>must</u> attend one of the two scheduled nighttime Orientations with at least one parent.

#### **Overview of Course Curriculum**

- Entrepreneurial Stories
- Understanding Leadership
- Building Your Own business (Your company)
  - Products/Service, Operations, Planning, etc.
- Business Ethics
- Human Resources
  - Organization, Company, Mission and Culture
- Marketing Analysis & strategies
- Finance
  - Getting Capital, Financial Statements & Projections
- Making Winning Presentations
- Team Building
- Each team presents their company to a panel.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Application due** Friday, Feb 7, 2025

School Representative Recommendation Friday, Feb 14, 2025

#### Student Acceptance Notification

Friday, Feb 21, 2025

## Mandatory Orientations

Thursday, Mar 6 or Tuesday, Mar 11, 2025

**School representative's recommendation** includes 3 days of missing classes.

**Orientation** provides parents with an event overview.

