KLCS brings the world into the classrooms and communities, providing equity of access and helping students and citizens to become knowledgeable participants in an evolving technological society.

KLCS is a valuable resource for the communities of Los Angeles, California. Operated by the Los Angeles Unified School District, and located in the heart of Los Angeles, KLCS is uniquely positioned to represent and respond to the excitingly diverse population that it serves. The District alone is a tapestry of Southern California, with over 1 millions students in K-12 and Adult Schools. KLCS serves a student population of over 70% Latino, 10% African American, 9% white and over 70 languages.

In 2012, KLCS provided these key local services:

- 10 hours of educational television programs for classroom and at-home viewing
- Over 400 hours of school board and committee meetings, providing equity of access to educational stakeholders
- Producing Professional Development content
- Over 100 news features of educational topics

KLCS local services include creating content to support an informed public such as specials on voting initiatives, health care, parent engagement, innovative educational practices and model programs and services throughout the District and the communities of Greater Los Angeles.

“KLCS is an invaluable asset to the communities of Los Angeles. The Station’s roots are interwoven into the city’s schools, neighborhoods and culture. KLCS is important and trustworthy…”

- Curtis Thompson
• KLCS Co Produces American Graduate Teacher Town Hall
KLCS reached out to hundreds of teachers across our District in an effort to engage their participation in the Teacher Town Hall that was focused on bring the practitioner's voice into the discussion of the national Dropout Crisis. Teachers from LAUSD joined colleagues from Districts as far as Riverside in a dialogue with about the challenges that educators in the classroom face as they fight to stem the tide of kids dropping out of school. The Town Hall was moderated by PBS NEWSHOUR correspondent Hari Sreenivasan and panelist included Melinda Gates of the Gates Foundation. The event was recorded and used for broadcast at a later date.

• KLCS participates in the California “Totally Unprepared” Earthquake Preparedness Campaign
KLCS created hour-long specials and various public service announcements to help educate Southern California about earthquakes and the tools and resources to prepare for and respond to earthquakes.

• KLCS partners with the County of Los Angeles for Mental Health Month (May)
KLCS produced a Town Hall Meeting and aired several hours of special programs to educate the public about mental health issues and available resources with the purpose of providing assistance and hope for those experiencing mental illness conditions and their loved ones and caregivers.

• The Teacher Wall project/mini grant. KLCS created a number of spots and uploaded them to the teacher wall site. Many of these were picked up by CPB and placed prominently on the American Graduate website.

• Other community topics covered by over 500 hours KLCS productions include Board of Education meetings, Proposition 30 informatives, Dropout prevention, School Choice, Student Recovery, and Voting PSA’s.
KLCS provides an essential service by broadcasting Los Angeles Unified School District Board and Committee meetings, which provides the community-at-large an opportunity to view real-time proceedings and to be well-informed about the initiatives impacting the almost 1 million K-12 and Adult students of the LAUSD.

KLCS produces Families Matter and La Familia Importa, monthly series which highlight and present information about ongoing educational initiatives and timely topics. These series are targeted for parents, caregivers and other educational stakeholders.

The KLCS Video in the Classroom Awards celebrated 25 years in 2012. The VIC Awards celebrate the use of video in the curriculum, and support teachers and students by recognizing outstanding content created to teach and to express social issues and themes.
KLCS "Thank you for all your incredible work in putting together the VIC's for our kids. It's one of the few tangible and exciting rewards my kids can look forward to each year. More importantly, I think it sends an important message to an educational system that seems preoccupied with quantitative data and standardization. The arts are important to the mental lives of young people. They are used with innovation by teachers in their classrooms despite terrible pressures to standardize and remediate. The arts extend learning rather than come at its cost. We at Cleveland Humanities Magnet are honored to participate in these awards because it demonstrates that technology doesn't come at the cost of a liberal arts education; it is the liberal arts that must drive technology and its applications in this century."

-Jason Friirestein, Teacher, Cleveland Humanities Magnet High School

KLCS provides equity of access and cost-effective services to the schools, City and communities of Los Angeles.