

Cottonwood Valley Charter School
Administrator's Report to the Governing Council
December 14, 2005

Enrollment: 148 students
Waiting List: No-one
Next Lottery: As needed

Faculty:

- Kate Burleigh and Jill Urban attended the NM Art Teachers Association Conference in Santa Fe on November 12 and 13.
- Karen Bowman and Rebecca Madrid conducted a workshop for our elementary school teachers on how to use "Running Records" as a tool for reading assessment
- Barb Austin, Professor of Education at New Mexico Tech, conducted a faculty in-service on Professional Development Plans for teachers.
- Mary Nutt attended the Educator Quality Conference on December 1st in Albuquerque.

Field Trips:

- The Sixth Grade just completed the third day of a five day program, "Starbase La Luz" at the Air Force Research Laboratory in Albuquerque.
- The fifth grade conducted their monthly environmental monitoring at the BEMP Site in Lemitar.
- Kindergarten, First, and Second Grades visited the Museum of Natural History in Albuquerque on December 5.
- Third Grade visited Dr. Tom Kieft's laboratory at New Mexico Tech to observe a variety of microorganisms.

Performing Arts:

- NDI (The National Dance Institute of New Mexico) is concluded 3 weeks of training with three terrific performances at Macey Center on December 10th. All CVCS students from grades 4, 5 and 6; selected students from grades 7 and 8; and four faculty members participated in the program. All other school members attended at least one performance.

Declamation:

- Forty two students participated in the CVCS Declamation on November 29th and 30th. The school was represented at the District Declamation on December 1st and 2nd by the following students: Kol Furier (Kindergarten), Armande Ortega (Grade 2), Hunter Elliott (Grade 4), Sam Mozley (Grade 3), Campbell Galon (Grade 4), Maya Cordova (Grade 1), Molly Dwyer (Grade 2) and Cierra Armijo (Grade 2). Sam Mozley took first place and Campbell Galon took third place in serious prose and represented the district at the County Declamation in Magdalena on December 8th. Campbell Galon returned with a third place finish. Congratulations!

Holiday Program:

- A holiday program for all CVCS students and families is planned for Tuesday, December 20th at Macey Center at 7:00 pm. We hope that all governing council members will attend.