

**Cottonwood Valley Charter School  
Administrator's Report to the Governing Council  
March 11, 2009**

**Enrollment:** 170 students  
Waiting List for this year: 33  
April Lottery: 25  
(10 siblings enrolled for kindergarten next year)

**Professional Development:**

- All K-5 teachers participated in coaching for small, leveled reading group work with Sam Hoffman – Mar 6
- Kim S. accepted to The Teachers College Writing Project at Columbia University this summer
- Karen Gram was awarded a \$200 grant for robot projects in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades.

**Student Accomplishments:**

- Science Olympiad team took 6th place at state.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade participated in NAEP testing on Feb 13
- Eleven students took Rail Runner to Santa Fe for Charter School Day at the Roundhouse on March 11.
- Anjik Ghosh earned a first for his science fair project at regionals. Paco Coursey earned a second place. They will both be heading to the State competition.
- Three 8<sup>th</sup> graders won the Rotary Essay Contest: Nico Seamons, Kelly Wang and Cassie Parker

**Other Developments:**

- NMSBA testing is scheduled for April 7,8,9 and April 15,16,17
- NMELPA testing this week
- We've begun using the Socorro Schools Tech Team for computer support
- NMCCS Strategic Planning Training for Governing Council Members scheduled for Saturday, April 4.
- NMCCS Annual Legislative Update Meeting, Wednesday, April 1, 6-8 PM

**Special Events:**

- 5<sup>th</sup> to BEMP – Mar 17 – worked with data in classroom
- Grades 4-6 to Carolina Chocolate Drops – PAS Performance, Feb 27
- Kinder and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to Natural History Museum – Mar 4
- Grades 6-7 to Water Canyon – Mar 6
- Gifted Students and 6<sup>th</sup> grade visiting Good Samaritan monthly for service project