

CVCS Administrative Report
Governing Council
March 8, 2017

SBA Testing

SBA Science Testing is going on for fourth and seventh grader this week. Results of these tests are usually out in the summer. These assessments are tied to both the teacher and the school grade.

PLP Meetings

Next week teachers will meet with students and parents to review the Personal Learning Plan (PLP) they created last October. Students will report on their progress with teacher and parent input.

Next Step Plans

One of the contributing factors to Cottonwood's Letter grade of an A last year was in part due to last year's 8th grade students completing their Next Step Plans with their parents. This plan is reviewed each year starting in 8th grade as a strategy to encourage students to think about their "Next Steps" in order to achieve college and career goals. The 8th grade began activities as far back as the fall and will complete these with parents and teachers as a part of their PLP meetings next week.

More Surveys

NMPED is requiring schools to participate in their Quality of Education Survey as a part of the New Mexico Teach Educator Effectiveness System. There are 15 questions that are similar to those on our Charter Parent Survey and 5 additional questions that we as a school have developed. These include:

1. A highly-qualified staff and a rigorous curriculum contribute to the excellence of the school.
2. The K-8 programs in Spanish, Fine Arts and Physical Education contribute to the overall excellence of the school.
3. The small size of CVCS results in a supportive and friendly community atmosphere.
4. Personal Learning Plans at CVCS Help to individualize instruction for my child
5. Parent involvement through Governing Council parent members, an active PTO, PLP conferences, parent volunteer activities and surveys are key to the invested community at CVCS.

We may choose to edit any of these 5 before March 13. Survey links will be e-mailed out the first week of April.

State Science Olympiad Competition

Ms. McSherry and her A team took 2nd place at the state competition. This is a very honorable position as the kids were up against many schools that excel in science.

Intent to Return for Teachers and Students Underway

Students should have returned their forms by now. We will follow through with unreturned forms this week.

Teacher Intent to Return Forms will go out by the end of March so we can start planning ahead for next year.

Staffing Needs

We are not finding subs for EA's or Ms. Armijo due to our shortfalls this year. It has been tricky for us all. We have to find other staff members who can cover for the EA's and Spanish gets cancelled for all K-5 classrooms.

MARCH

6th-10th SBA testing for 4 and 7th grade

7th PAS Chinese Acrobats 48th grade 1 pm Macey Center

8th GC Meeting 5:15 pm

PTO Meeting 1 pm

Planting plants from SSWCD

12th Spring Forward.

13-17th PLP overflow AND SPIRIT WEEK!

16th Watershed Watch with Fishing

17th PLP Meetings and more planting

18th-25th SPRING BREAK!!!!

31st First -3rd District Spelling Bee

April

14 Good Friday No School

17-28 PARCC TESTING