

CAVIT Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates

- 8/19 - Teacher Inservice Day
- 9/7 - Labor Day
- 9/21 - End of First Quarter
- 9/24-25 - Teacher Inservice Days
- 9/29 - First Quarter Awards Assembly



CAVIT Staff are CTE Driven!

Superintendent's Corner

Dear Students, Parents, Staff and Supporters,

I am delighted to welcome you to the 2015-2016 school year. CAVIT employs the best teachers in the state of Arizona. We can attest to this fact as our teachers are dedicated to students and display passion for their curriculum. Much planning has gone into this year and we are excited to deliver a wide variety of career experiences that will make students' learning relevant and exciting to learn. ~Mr. Mike Glover, Superintendent

Summer Program Provides Enrichment Learning



Chapter officers learn traits of effective leadership.

Students are often asked, "Did you get the summer off from school?" The truth is, there was a great deal of instruction that occurred during this past summer at CAVIT. Students selected for chapter office were trained for officer duties and responsibilities. Our clinics were open allowing students opportunity to work extended 8-hour shifts. Students learned how to manage the long days while providing excellent client services on community residents and pets. The medical and nursing students were assigned service in area clinic offices completing required off-site internship experiences.



Veterinary students perform an animal examination.

CAVIT Wins State Recognitions



Ms. Williams, Mr. Glover and Mrs. Schwartz display the CTE Program of the Year Award

Recently staff attended the Arizona Association for Career and Technical Education (ACTEAZ) summer teacher's conference held in Tucson during July 18-22. During the awards breakfast, several CAVIT teachers were called on stage to receive awards. Our veterinary assistant won the Outstanding CTE Program of the Year award making this the third CAVIT program to earn this state award. Our massage teacher, Ben Barth, was recognized for winning the national Region 5 New CTE Teacher of the Year award.



Mr. Glover stands alongside Mr. Barth, the national Region 5 New CTE Teacher of the Year winner.

Hard Work Yields Big Dividends

For some CAVIT program completers, the summer brought on the anticipation of finishing up training and sitting for industry licensure exams. Students in our nursing assistant program finished up their clinical hours in June and sat for their state exam the first week of July. A cohort of 13 students earned CNA designation, known as certified nursing assistant. For massage therapy, ten students completed all of the state obligations for state licensure, allowing them to apply for certification and work as a therapist once their license is processed by the state. Not to be outdone, medical assistant can boast that ten students successfully completed their 160-hour internship and passed their national exam allowing them to add RMA, registered medical assistant, designation to their title. "Our teachers did a phenomenal job of preparing students for their industry licensure exams. It is not an easy feat to have students pass these exams immediately after high school graduation", said Mr. Glover, Superintendent.



First Day of School!

Students were eager to attend CAVIT classes on July 27. First day activities included program orientations and leadership team building exercises. Our students gave up one week of summer to attend CAVIT as most of our sending schools begin one week later.

Mr. McLaws, Law II Teacher, provides a program overview.



Mrs. Brown, Medical Assistant I Teacher, (pictured with hands in the air) stops her class for a group photo.

Anyone Up for Some Fun?



“Who Let the Dogs Loose?”
Students stopping in the veterinary assistant classroom were treated to a trust game involving blindfolds.

Students participated in the school’s annual “CAVIT Gotta Have It” game day the first Friday back to school. Students visited each program and played a unique leadership game with students from other programs. From the smiles and interactions expressed by students, the event was a success!



“Spider Web”
Law enforcement teachers created a game where students had to move from one side to the other using the same entrance.



Mr. Andrew Hensley and Mr. John Ewing
Fire Science Teachers

Welcome to our New Additions

CAVIT added three new teachers to the 2015-2016 teacher roster. Mrs. Brooks, a licensed cosmetologist and state educator, will teach the three Cosmetology II sessions. Mr. Ewing will teach two sessions of Fire Science I with Mr. Hensley teaching two sessions of Fire Science II and one session of Fire Science I. Both Mr. Ewing and Mr. Hensley are certified paramedics. All three teachers have extensive teaching experience and numerous years working in industry. We are fortunate to have them on our teaching staff.



Mrs. Jessica Brooks
Cosmetology II Teacher

CAVIT Shines at National Events

Students traveled to two different states this summer to compete in national skill competitions. For the SkillsUSA event held in Louisville, CAVIT earned a silver medal in Outstanding Chapter, a 5th place in Criminal Justice, and a 10th place in Firefighting. For the HOSA conference held in Anaheim, CAVIT earned Outstanding Chapter, a 6th place in Career Display and a 10th place in Dental Science contests.

CAVIT was one of 24 schools nationwide to earn the SkillsUSA Models of Excellence designation for our elementary school bullying education program.

