

# CAVIT Newsletter

Central Arizona Valley Institute of Technology ~ 1789 W. Coolidge Avenue ~ Coolidge, AZ 85128 ~ 520.423.1944 ~ [www.cavitschools.org](http://www.cavitschools.org)

**August, 2014  
Edition**

## Upcoming Dates

- 8/22 - No School  
Teacher Inservice
- 9/10 - Open House  
5:30-7:00pm
- 9/11 - 9/11  
Remembrance  
Ceremony 8:00am
- 9/19 - No School  
Strategic Planning  
Meeting
- 10/3 - End of First  
Quarter
- 10/10 - First Quarter  
Awards Assembly

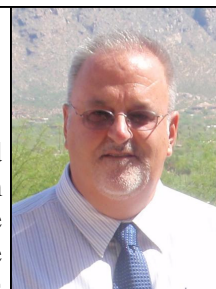
## Superintendent's Corner

Dear Students, Parents, Staff and CAVIT Supporters,

The school year has begun with an exciting series of activities that marked our first ten days of school. Each program has broadened their curriculum to include guest speakers, field trips and work-based learning during the first quarter. We will survey our students throughout the year to determine our efforts in meeting their needs and satisfaction. Early analysis indicates that our recruiting efforts conducted last spring worked as our enrollment numbers are up this year.

Please consider getting involved at CAVIT as our teachers welcome volunteers. We hope you can attend our upcoming Open House scheduled on September 10, 2014 from 5:30-7:00pm.

As always, I value your comments and suggestions. Do not hesitate to contact me at (520) 423-2991 or [mglover@cavitschools.org](mailto:mglover@cavitschools.org) if I can be of service.



Mike Glover  
Superintendent



Chapter officer Damian Hagan  
leads an icebreaker activity.

## First 10 Days of School

CAVIT staff created special events throughout the first ten days of school for students to meet new friends and to discover their possible future career opportunities. Students participated in CAVIT's *Gotta Have It* game day where they took part in teambuilding activities with students from the ten high schools that attend CAVIT. Industry partners visited classrooms to share current job information requirements and employment options. Alumni were invited back to speak to classes on their career success as a result of their training received at

CAVIT. Students jumped right into their curriculum by learning technical skills that are the foundation to their

chosen career areas i.e. hand washing, handcuffing and animal restraint to name a few topics taught. The tenth day of school concluded with CAVIT's *Nacho Regular School Day* event where students brought in every conceivable food item that could be piled on top of tortilla chips eating and socializing with students from other programs. From the student survey results on our first 10 days, our teachers' efforts to build student relationships and to provide career awareness was a huge success.



Staff pose for a picture wearing  
their game day attire.

## Students Learn Lifesaving Skills

Students attending CAVIT's first year programs are busy learning the importance of health care and education through the school's required CPR and AED training. Some 400 students will complete and sit for their CPR technical skill and written test during the first 9 weeks of school. To ensure that CAVIT can train large numbers of students, teachers attended summer training to become certified instructors. CAVIT added equipment for CPR instruction including dummies and AED machines to allow for classroom groups to learn together. Students need CPR certification in order to serve community residents in CAVIT's campus clinics, in addition to, applying their skills in upcoming work-based internships at area healthcare facilities. Students will attend a school assembly on October 10, 2014 where they will receive their CPR card offered through American Red Cross, as well as, hear lifesaving stories from invited guest speakers. Certification in CPR is highly valued at CAVIT as this is our students' first industry certification that most employers require.



Students practice their  
rounds of 30 compressions.



Mr. Mike Berger  
Fire Science Teacher  
~  
Pinal County Rural Teacher  
of the Year Award by ARSA



Mr. Jeff Wooley  
Medical Assistant Teacher  
~  
Community Service Teacher of  
the Year Award by ACTEAZ



Mr. Ben Barth  
Massage Therapy Teacher  
~  
New CTE Teacher of the Year  
Award by ACTEAZ

## CAVIT Teacher of the Year Award Winners



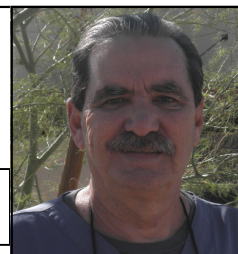
Mr. Robert Phillips  
EMT Teacher



Dr. Lowell Arbuckle  
Program Dentist

Ms. Karen Chamberlain  
Nursing Assistant Teacher

## CAVIT New Staff



Ms. Kaye Roberts  
Cosmetology Teacher



## CAVIT Student Earns National Office

Congratulations to Alex Bruin, EMT student, for being elected to national SkillsUSA office at the recent Kansas City, Missouri conference. Alex will be talking with SkillsUSA students across the country as she attends state conferences throughout the year leading up to the Louisville, Kentucky conference in June.

## Top Performing State Recognition

CAVIT students earned top honors on the April, 2014 state end-of-program assessments administered by the Arizona Department of Education. The Fire Science, Law Enforcement and Massage Therapy programs earned the #1 rank as the top performing school in the state. The Medical Assistant program earned the state #2 rank. Students in Law Enforcement and Massage Therapy also earned the #1 and/or #2 top student scores in the state on their respective tests.

## Clinics Ready to Reopen

Our school-based clinics are ready to reopen to the public. Students are stocking the clinics, updating client files and refining their skills in anticipation for another busy year of service. Some of the services listed below do carry a small fee.

Aesthetics Clinic - 520.316.4367 - Open - Facials, waxing, makeup application, eyebrow shaping

Animal Day Spa - 520.423.2999 - September 16 Opening - Basic examination, vaccinations, bathing, shaving

Cosmetology Clinic - 520.423.2990 - Open - Haircuts, perms, manicures, pedicures, coloring

Dental Clinic - 520.316.4638 - August 25 Opening - Examination, teeth cleaning, fillings, whitening, tooth extraction

Massage Clinic - 520.423.2980 - August 26 Opening - Foot/leg scrub, chair massage, Swedish massage, hot stone massage

Wellness Clinic - 520.316.4364 - August 26 Opening - Blood pressure, glucose, cholesterol, blood analysis testing

## CAVIT Students Shine

To close out this newsletter, we share photos of our end-of-year ceremony where program completers were honored with their CAVIT certificates of completion and graduation cords. What a wonderful night for all!

