

Superintendent's Corner



Mr. Mike Glover

Dear Stakeholders,
The start of the school year always bring excitement for all the possibilities that exist for both teachers and student alike. Things are settled now after completing our first week of school. It is now time to put our plans in place to reach our goals for student achievement and program improvement. The three words to guide our FY24 efforts include explore, engage, and experience. We are ready!

New Year, New Opportunity

Teachers returned to work on July 10 eager to start this school year. Staff training was provided on many topics including analyzing assessment data and navigating through our new Powerschool and Schoology student management systems. Time was provided to work on curriculum and lesson plans.

CAVIT classes began on July 19 with students meeting their teacher, receiving uniforms, and learning about all of the career experiences to be offered. A great first week of CAVIT was had by all!



Post-Secondary Jumpstart

First and second year students in eligible programs are taking advantage of the opportunity to earn free dual enrollment credit through Central Arizona College (CAC) while attending CAVIT. CAC representatives trained students on the admissions application and how to register for classes.

The following programs offer dual enrollment college credit opportunity this school year:

- Automated Industrial Technology, Behavioral Health, Fire Science, Massage Therapy, Patient Care, Pharmacy Science, Physical Therapy, Veterinary Science, and Welding.

Hairstyling students have the ability to receive college credit at no cost for college-level learning that was done prior to enrolling at Eastern Arizona College (EAC). The college credit at EAC is only awarded if students enroll at EAC and in the Cosmetology program.



CAVIT Dual Enrollment Goal

90% of eligible students register for CAVIT dual enrollment this year.



ADE Achievement Data

CAVIT is proud to showcase the following achievement data released by the Arizona Department of Education for our school.

- 93.58% Program Completion Rate
- 90.37% Graduation Rate
- 91.57% ADE CTE Assessment Pass Rate
- 89.57% Placement Rate

Thanks to all of our stakeholders for helping our students succeed at CAVIT!

CAVIT Shines on International Stage

Our Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) state medalists traveled to Dallas in June to compete in the organization's international conference. Each competition had over 100+ students vying for recognition. CAVIT took six students with all walking across the international stage. Here is a summary of our students' competitive results:

- Dental Assistant: Gold Medal and 8th Place
- Health Career Display: 8th Place
- Pharmacology: 6th Place
- Veterinary Assistant: Bronze Medal



Summer Training Pays Dividends

Our dental program provided a two-week June summer experience where students performed teeth polishing on folks of all ages, in addition to, studying for taking the national coronal polishing industry certification exam. CAVIT is pleased to report that 14 students earned this industry certification giving them a competitive advantage when seeking dental assistant jobs. CAVIT had a 93% pass rate.



Save These Dates:

Aug. 12 & 19 - Hairstyling Saturdays 7am-4pm
 Sept. 4 - Labor Day No School
 Sept. 9 & 16 - Hairstyling Saturdays 7am-4pm
 Sept. 25-Oct. 6 - Fall Break No School
 Oct. 9 - Teacher Inservice No School
 Oct. 10 - Awards Assembly Each Session

Busy Summer for Hairstyling Students

Beginning, first, and second year Hairstyling students spent a portion of their summer at CAVIT earning classroom hours towards program completion.

- The second year students completed their 1,000 hours as required by state law entitling them to register for written and practical exams.
- All first year students had to earn a minimum of 437 hours in order to attend CAVIT this year.
- A new crop of hairstyling enthusiasts spent time at CAVIT earning OSHA Cosmetology industry certification along with learning entry level skills. This component earned incoming students 61 instructional hours.



The 7am-4pm summer schedule allowed community residents and family members to receive services from our first and second year students.

CAVIT Teachers Inspire Others

CAVIT partnered with Banner Health on a health careers day activity to students from Casa Grande Middle School. CAVIT's teachers relied on healthcare skills and employment data to inspire students to pursue a career in healthcare. Based on the smiles and engagement, the activity was a huge success.



Need Additional Uniforms?

CAVIT provides two sets of uniforms free of charge to all first year students. Families wanting to purchase additional sets of uniforms are encouraged to do so through our vendors.

Teachers grade students daily on their uniform use. Information on purchasing uniforms is located on our website's home page.



Attendance Policy Clarified

Students are allowed up to nine unexcused absences per semester. Students attaining 10 or more unexcused absences a semester will receive a NC - No Credit grade.

Parents have 48 hours to provide the front office with documentation in order to change the absence to excused status.

5 Types of Excused Absences:

- School-Related: Sports, Assemblies, Late Bus
- Suspension
- Medical/Dental/Counseling Appointments
- Court Appearances
- Bereavement

Students arriving to CAVIT 10+ minutes late will receive an unexcused absence. Contact the front office at (520) 423-1944 with any questions on our attendance policy.

CAVIT Grading

Teachers create two gradebook categories to record students' academic progress. Students are evaluated on their mastery of the state standards technical content (Fundamentals Gradebook) and the application of hands-on skills (Skills Gradebook).

Progress reports are sent out every 6 weeks to showcase students' progress in their CAVIT class. Parents and students will soon receive online access to view current grades in our Powerschool system.

Please note that CAVIT does not award credit for "D" grades. Students must earn a 70%+ averaged grade in both gradebooks in order to earn semester credit at CAVIT.

Students earning a "A" grade in both Fundamentals and Skills Gradebooks at the end of first quarter will earn Superintendent's Honor Roll recognition handed out at the October 10 awards assembly held each session.

