

**Cottonwood Valley Charter School  
Administrator's Report to the Governing Council  
September 9, 2009**

**Enrollment:** 170 students  
Waiting List: 92

**Professional Development:**

- Literacy coach Sam Hoffman was here on September 4, working with grades K-6
- Kim Schaffer in 1<sup>st</sup> grade and Karen Gram in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade are piloting the Every Day math curriculum this school year.
- Nancy Engler and Rodney Mayfield attended Starbase training on August 13.
- Karin attended mandatory District Test Coordinator training on Sept. 8.
- Kim Schaffer is running a district wide PLC using the text The Energy to Teach by Donald Graves
- Teachers trained in Safe haven protocols and peanut allergy procedures at weekly staff meetings

**Student Accomplishments:**

- 12 CVCS students, grades 5-7 were chosen to be on the NDI SWAT and Celebration team.
- CVCS 4<sup>th</sup> grade is participating in NDI
- Student council members elected during week of Aug 24. They've had only one short organizational meeting.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade entered self portrait quilt in County Fair

**Other Developments:**

- Computers still not all set up and working. Karin talking with Integrated Technologies about providing services. Improvements in the system are due to work of two parent volunteers and some server work by Integrated Technologies.
- Training for substitute teachers was conducted on Wednesday Sept. 2. Only 3 subs attended.
- H1N1 guidelines sent home in newsletter, posted on CVCS website and distributed to teachers on Aug. 27
- The district doesn't seem to be offering beginning band. Karin is working on contracting with one of the new band directors to work with CVCS students.

**Special Events:**

- Molly Madden of Keep New Mexico Beautiful visited 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms to conduct a trash audit on Aug 27
- Leo Neufeld, portrait artist, worked with middle school students and demonstrated for grades 3-8 on Aug 27