

**Cottonwood Valley Charter School  
Administrator's Report to the Governing Council  
February 10, 2010**

**Enrollment:** 170 students  
Waiting List: 90+  
Free and Reduced Lunch: 42%

**Professional Development:**

- All language arts teachers are continuing book study, Strategies That Work.
- Literacy coach, Sam Hoffman was here on Jan. 15
- Karin attended District Test Coordinator training on Jan. 19
- Jack Hibbs attended training for NMAPA test administration
- Karen Bowman attended training to administer ACCESS for ELLs.

**Other Developments:**

- CVCS will participate in 2010 CENSUS awareness – will send home flyers and encourage teachers to do lessons about the census.
- Karin attending calendar committee meetings at the District. There is some talk about a year round calendar. The issue of how to include professional development (without early release days) is also being discussed.
- Safety Inspection with Tom Turner of POMS completed on Jan 20. We are waiting for a written report.
- Planning for 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip has begun. They will spend a few days at the Valles Caldera Preserve in the Jemez mountains.
- Teachers hope to have a new math curriculum chosen by March GC meeting.

**Special Events:**

- Zoo to You here for grades K-8 on Jan. 25
- Mars lecture by Karen Gram's father, Dr. Feldman for grades 4-8 on Feb. 5 was a great experience. It was a challenging lecture and our students were an attentive, respectful audience and asked high level questions.
- Golf team trip to T or C Feb. 9.

**Student Accomplishments:**

- Alice Zhang took 1<sup>st</sup> place and Anjik Ghosh took 3<sup>rd</sup> at County Spelling Bee. This was the second year in a row that Alice won.
- Science Olympiad – 2<sup>nd</sup> place at Regionals
- 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade school Science Fair held on Jan. 13.
- Middle school students of the month for January were: Sam Burleigh, Megan Sandoval, Nick Hawkinson. Snezna Rogelj is organizing a lunch at Fidel Center with Tech students and staff each month for our students of the month and a CVCS teacher.