

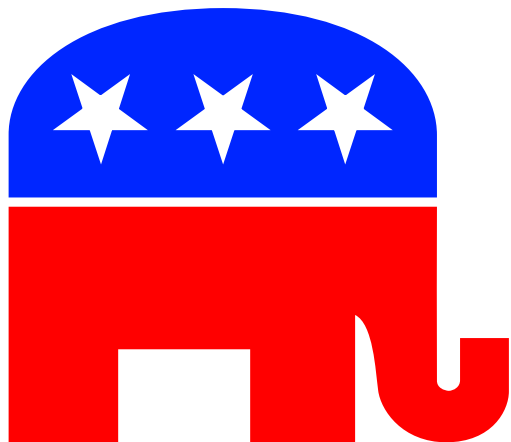


Stallion Times

Carbon Valley Secondary Academy's Online Newsletter

November 2008

Special Election Day Event: Student Town Hall Debates



On November 4th at 8:10 am in the multi-purpose room, Carbon Valley Secondary Academy will be having a town hall debate. CVSA's Civics teacher, **Mr. Cegielski**, has been working with the students at CVSA to educate them on the two major political parties running for office this year.

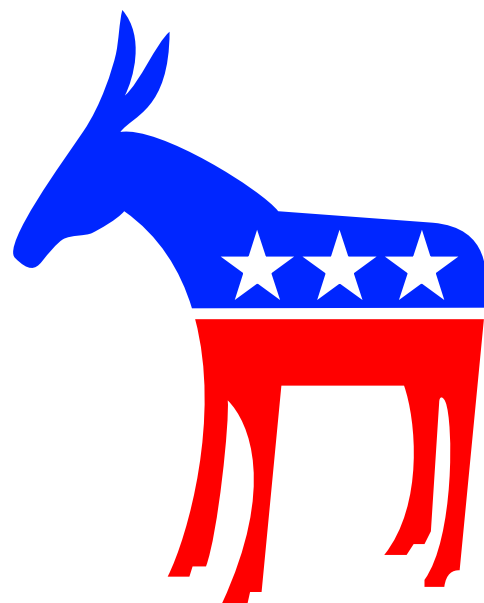
The 9th grade class will be role playing the Republican and Democrat parties. The other grades will question what the 9th grade students are going to do for the economy, Iraq, and other political issues. Students will perform skits posing to be political candidates from the 2008 election. **Hanna Partee** will be playing Barak Obama, **Joey Rener** will be playing Joe Biden, **Daniel Judson** will be playing John McCain, and **Emily Higbee** will be

playing Sarah Palin.

Each student at CVSA has been given \$100 in fake money, and the political candidates must find a way to earn the fake money from the students at CVSA. Political candidates must convince the students that they are the best candidate for the 2008 election. All political candidates are role playing and the debate does not signify their beliefs on politics.

We are hoping that this will inform the students at CVSA of the upcoming election, and they will understand the platforms of each politician. We also hope that this will unify our school by teaching all classes the same thing, so that all students may relate to one another.

by **Daniel Judson** – CVSA Student



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From Principal Trautwein's Desk

Dear Parent and Students,

The election is near and our campus is buzzing with the intensity of a campaign office. Our students are excited about the discussion the nation is having about Senator Obama and Senator McCain and want their voices heard too. I encourage you to share your thoughts and ideas about the election with your students. This is a time for students to learn about our differences and about national unity; a time to learn about national issues and foreign policy. And most importantly, it's a great time to learn what it means to be an American and the importance of participating in our democracy.

It is important that we, as educators, take the momentum of our nation and use it to our advantage to ignite the interest of our students. During the next election, our 6th graders will be in 10th grade and our 9th graders will be in college. Four years does not seem long to us adults, but it is a very long time in the scope of a student.

Student Government Update

The student government has gone on hiatus in order to solidify the structure and procedures of our student government. **Mr. Cegielski** and **Mr. Trautwein** are working with the elected officials to create an understanding of the importance of a well-run government. Our objectives are to have the students understand and feel comfortable in their various roles of student government. The students will also have a chance to better write and understand the importance of the student constitution. The student government will become active again at the beginning of second semester.

Congratulations Mrs. Echer!

Congratulations to **Mrs. Johnnie Echer** on the birth of her daughter **Jenna**. Jenna was born on October 21st, weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces. Mother and daughter are doing well. **Mr. Echer** and son **Curtis** are thrilled with their expanded family.



Important Nov. Dates

Nov. 4th – Student Town Hall Debates at 8:10 am - Parents are welcome to listen to their candidates

Nov. 4th – Election Day

Nov. 7th – Bad Hair Day/Mismatch Day Fund raiser

Nov. 14th – School Picture Retakes

Nov. 14th – School Dance from 7–10 pm at the CVA Gym

Nov. 15th – Robo-Stallions Robotics Competition in Louisville

Nov. 17th – Board of Directors Meeting in CVA Harvard Room

Nov. 26th – 28th – Thanksgiving Break – No Classes

And coming in December



Dec. 19th – CVSA 2nd Annual Family Ski Trip

Volunteering at CVSA

Volunteers are always welcome at CVSA. Please check in at the office in Building D when you arrive on campus to volunteer. We are always looking to use your talents to better our school. If you wish to run a club, a mini-course, volunteer to tutor, help with a student activity, or simply help with keeping our campus clean, please do not hesitate to call or write.

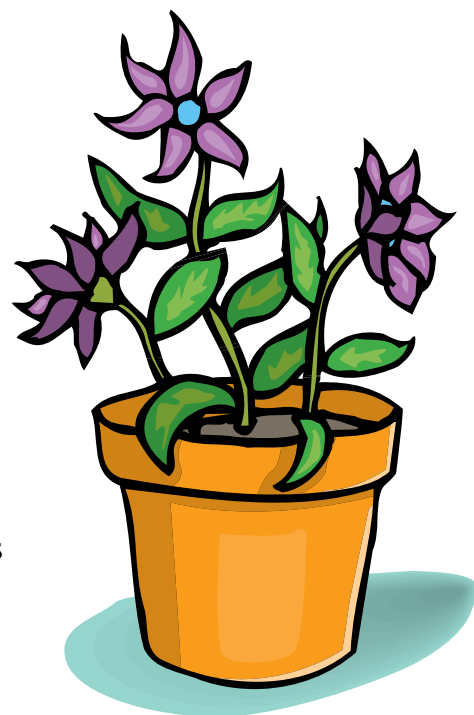
Some school needs:

- Set-up of computer printers for teachers
- Signs/labels to be made for doors and campus
- Math tutoring – especially basics
- Writing tutoring – all levels
- Handyman type work (installing door knobs, painting/finishing picnic tables)

Items that are needed:

- Personal computer printers
- Webcams for PCs
- Outdoor benches/chairs
- Paper plates, cups, and napkins
- Storage shed (waterproof and locking)
- Planters/large pots (with plants would be nice)
- Cement patio pavers
- Security camera system
- Wireless intercom system

Thank you for the donations that we have received, the time that you have given is much appreciated. Also thank you for the new items around school, your generosity is much appreciated!



Check Out CVA's Stallion News

Keep informed about all of the CVA Charter School activities! Be sure to read CVA's *Stallion News*. The November edition includes the following great information:

- CVA Fall Festival a Ghoulishly Good Time
- Important November Dates
- Patting Your Kids On The Back – The Art of Positive Praise
- Carbon Valley Academy's 2nd Annual Holiday Bazaar

Student Corner

Hi Everyone,

My name is **Angel Silva**, and I serve as a representative for the 7th grade students.

For that reason I was asked to communicate the different events that will be taking place at CVSA.

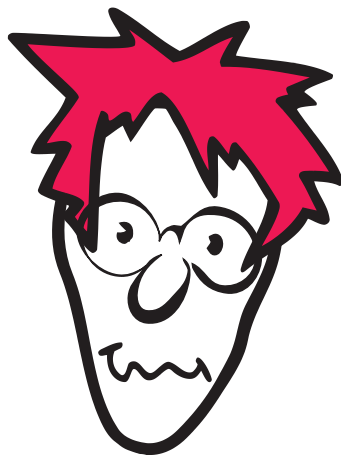
We have many needs at our school. In Student government we decided to try to do something about it.

In the month of November we will be having two fund raisers:

November 7th "Crazy Hair Day"

Students at CVSA will be allowed to come to school with any creation they can do to their hair. We will be providing a lunch for them, all for the price of \$5.00.

So, parents do not pack your children lunch that day, take a break, and help your child support our school. Also the lunch will be Chik-fil-a, chips, and a drink.



November 14th "Fall Dance!!!!!! and Food Drive"

This is another fun way to raise funds and also help our community.

It's \$3.00 to get in, but if you bring a can of food for the Weld County Food Bank, you will only pay \$2.00. More details will be coming to you soon!!!

November 23rd is our last day of school before we go into "Thanksgiving break."

These are the events at our school this month, please help us and have fun with us.

1st Quarter 2008/2008 Honor Roll

GOLD Honor Roll (all A's):

Joseph Rener	9 th Grade
Dominique Connolly	7 th Grade
Jessica Johnson	6 th Grade

High Honor Roll (all A's and B's):

Amanda Bagnall	9 th Grade
Jamika Moes	8 th Grade
Conner Ashley	7 th Grade
Theron Friss	7 th Grade
A. (Jacey) Hillman	7 th Grade
McKina Jewell	7 th Grade
Sierra Lewis	7 th Grade
Angel Silva	7 th Grade
Acacia Stephen	7 th Grade
Kaela Ursich	7 th Grade
Andrew Biggs	6 th Grade
Samantha Garcia	6 th Grade
Kirsten Kochheiser	6 th Grade
Cristel Lemming	6 th Grade
Thomas Wallace	6 th Grade

Honor Roll (3.0 GPA):

Emily Higbee	9 th Grade
Nichole Parmiter	9 th Grade
Hanna Partee	9 th Grade
Mackenzie Erickson	8 th Grade
Makaria Judson	8 th Grade
Alexander Kochheiser	8 th Grade
Cole Lewis	8 th Grade
Jacob Perez	8 th Grade
Daniel Sher	8 th Grade
Hunter Bingham	7 th Grade
Anna Sanger	7 th Grade
Bryan Wood	7 th Grade
Christopher Yancey	7 th Grade
Noah Bolitho	6 th Grade
Blake Davis	6 th Grade
Daniel Hess	6 th Grade
Abrianna Judson	6 th Grade
Rory Loveridge	6 th Grade
Savannah Nixon	6 th Grade
Antonia Villani	6 th Grade