

THE BRONCO GAZETTE

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ACADEMICS—GRADES COUNT!

The first six week progress reports have been mailed home and many students have made their teachers, their families, and themselves very proud with their hard work. For all students in grades 7-9, it is very important to build strong study habits as the academic intensity increases. Many studies have found that the work ethic can be as important as intellect in the achievement in school and the workplace. After a review of student grades by the CNEC staff, the following recommendations have been made for all students to be successful:

*Utilize the academic planners to keep track of all assignments and upcoming

exams. Parents can review the planners each evening to ensure assignments are being completed.

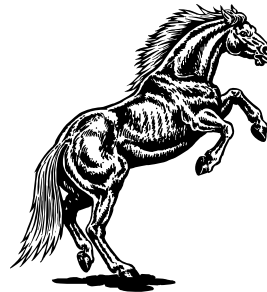
*Students should ask appropriate questions to make sure they understand the assignments prior to leaving their classroom.

*Have routines after school to ensure a quiet area and quiet time to complete homework.

*Students struggling in math may attend the math labs on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

*Parents can review Zangle Parent Connect to keep track of assignments, grades, etc. for their students. Parents with ques-

tions regarding Parent Connect may contact Mrs. Testa at 327-5000. Because we believe failure is not an option, the students who have been identified as academically at-risk will be contacted by school staff.



The goal is to create an action plan to get students back on track towards academic success.

THE CODE OF THE NORTH

- *Character Counts!...Even When Nobody is Looking.*
- *Live Each Day with Courage*
- *Take Pride in Your Work*
- *Do What Has to be Done*
- *When You Make a Promise...Keep It*
- *Talk Less and Say More*
- *Make a Difference*
- *Take Care of One Another*
- *Together We Are Better*
- *Leave it Better Than You Found It*

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BRONCO FOUNDATION NEEDS YOU!

The Bronco Foundation is a partnership between parents, teachers, and school staff. Thank you to the families and staff who have joined the Bronco Foundation. For those still interested in joining, membership applications can be found in the front office and

on-line at the CNEC website. The Bronco Foundation Board of Directors have identified the two major objectives of service and fundraising for our entire community. Through the generous donations, the Foundation has already helped with many school-

wide start-up needs as well as helping our co-curricular programs. The Inaugural Bronco Family Fest is being hosted by the Bronco Foundation on October 18, 2007. See the enclosed flyer for more specifics.

WHAT IS MOCK TRIAL?

“IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE TIME TO DO IT, WHEN WILL YOU FIND THE TIME TO DO IT OVER?

-JOHN WOODEN

Mock trial is a competitive, interscholastic activity in which students are given a set of facts about a crime and then prepare for and conduct a trial about that crime, both from the prosecution side and the defense side. Typically starting in October, students and coaches are provided with the “case,” a set of materials which includes a summary of relevant case law, witness statements, official exhibits and simplified rules of evidence. With the help of

coaches, students learn how to assume the roles of trial attorneys and witnesses, learning the facts, law and simplified rules of evidence in preparation for conducting trials in competition against other schools in front of real judges in real courtrooms.

The mock trial program has been involving high schools in competition in all counties in California since 1980, with champions from each county competing at the state finals

in March, and the winner moving on to the national competition.

This year's CNEC Mock Trial program will involve both 8th and 9th graders. We will be holding practices to acquaint students with this year's case, the rules of evidence, and how to portray both attorneys and witnesses.

For more information, please visit Mrs. Linder's website via the CNEC website.

COUNSELING CORNER: 9TH GRADE CONFERENCES

Clovis North High School Counselors will be offering some important information regarding future planning to all interested freshman students and their parents. We will be scheduling individual conferences throughout this school year. Included in this conference will be:

- *High School graduation requirements, including the California High School Exit

Exam (CaHSEE)

- *Post-Secondary goals

- *Four-year educational plans

Since the freshmen year is an important year for reviewing student progress and making further decisions, you are encouraged to attend this 20 to 30 minute meeting. The student's opportunity for success increases when the school and the family plan

important decisions together.

Please schedule an appointment by calling 327-5073 or via email at: carolshanahan@cusd.com or kerincenguyen@cusd.com.

PSAT REMINDER

Students signed up for the PSAT On October 17th, please stop by the Counseling Center and pick up your testing guide.

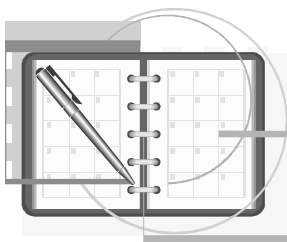
Dress Code Issues First Six Weeks

PE-Type Sweat Bottoms

Frayed Clothing

Slippers

Boys Hair (length and covering the eyes)



Weekly and Monthly Calendars available on the CNEC Website www.clovisusd.k12.ca.us/cnec

CALENDAR TID-BITS

For more updates please see the CNEC website for the weekly calendar and the monthly calendar. There is more information on the events below on the CNEC website as well. Here are a few of the upcoming events:

- *Fall Choral Concert Oct. 16

- *Band Booster Mtg. Oct. 16

- *PSAT: October 17

- *Bronco Family Fest October 18

- *GR Dance October 18

- *Lady Bronco Basketball October 19 and 20

- *SART Meeting October 23

- *Last day to wear shorts October 26

- *End of 12-week grading period November 9

- *Drama Play- *15 Reasons Not to Be In a Play*: Nov. 14-17

- *Fall Athletic Awards Nov 15

BRONCO STUDENT STORE

The Bronco Store hours are Monday-Thursday 2:45 PM-3:30 PM. Thank you to our parent volunteers who have agreed to open the student store for students and parents. The store has a new inventory of t-shirts, sweat-shirts, hats, visors, beanies, and many more items to come. Show your support by wearing your spirit items throughout the community.

ATHLETICS

Fall athletics at Granite Ridge and Clovis North are about mid-way through their seasons. Everyone is working hard and it is great to see the Broncos well represented. Our Fall Athletic Awards Night will be November 15.

Winter athletics will start very soon. The sports for the winter season are: soccer, basketball, wrestling and GR gymnastics. There are a lot of opportunities for students to get involved. Please see the Athletic Office for your physical packets. These must be completed and turned in before you can try out for a sport.



REGIONAL HONOR CHOIR

Congratulations to the following 9th graders who made Regional Honor Choir. This is a prerequisite for the All State Choir. These fine students competed against 9-12 graders to earn the honors.

Great job to:

Amber Lewis

Helenia Quince

Sarah Mayo

Neelima Mohan

Alex Ramirez

CLUBS AND CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Many clubs and co-curricular activities are underway at CNEC. Students interested in starting a club should contact Ms. Panoo in the Activities Office. Informational meeting regarding some of the academic co-curricular programs have been occurring and students may get more information from the advisors listed. Please visit the CNEC website as more clubs and co-curricular activities begin.

*African American Student Union (AASU) – Mrs. Barfield

*Destination Imagination – Mrs. Kohlruss

*Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) – Mr. Ramos and Mr. Williams

*Fashion Club – Mrs. Torres and Mrs. Hildreth

*Guitar Club – Mr. Elsberry

*Japanese Culture/Anime – Mr. O’Hara

*Journalism Club – Mrs. Souza

*Mock Trial – Mrs. Linder

*Robotics – Mrs. Kohlruss

*Video Production Club – Mr. Lofaro

*Hispanic Mentoring - Mrs. Hildreth

*CSF/CJSF - Mrs. Boone

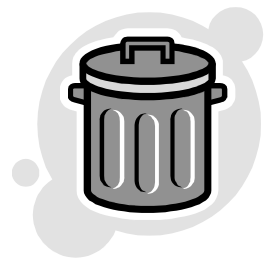
PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP (LITTERING)

Special Note from Mr. Anderson:

Along with athletic and co-curricular supremacy, one of my major goals for Clovis North Educational Center is to have the cleanest campus after the lunch hour. In my educational career I have noticed that elementary students throw away their own trash.

I have visited many college campuses, the collegians pick up their own trash. In the workplace, employers would not tolerate employees littering on the job. Many students understand the “Pride of Ownership” we talk about with our new campus. We all “own” our campus and we will pursue all options to encourage all students to learn

this worthwhile trait of cleaning up after themselves. Thank you to the parents who encourage their students to make a **habit** of picking up after themselves and throwing away their own trash.



Laws are never as effective as habits.

-Adlai Stevenson



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WE'RE ON THE WEB!

WWW.CLOVISUSD.K12.CA.US/CNEC

JOIN THE STAMPEDE!

CLOVIS NORTH EDUCATIONAL CENTER FEEDBACK FORM

It is the goal of our entire educational team for all parents to provide on-going feedback on what is and what is not working well at the Clovis North Educational Center. Please take time to complete, detach, and drop this off in the main office with the receptionist or mail it directly to CNEC, 2770 E. International Fresno, CA 93730. If additional space is needed, please attach a separate piece of paper. We appreciate your efforts in helping us continually improve!

What improvements would you like to see at CNEC? _____

What do you like about CNEC? _____

