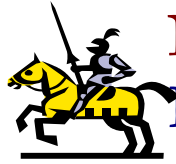


## Board Briefing

February 2010



# North Valley High School

## Home of the Knights

### KUDOS

Kudos to Jennifer Hamilton, Dana Goens and the volunteers from River Valley Church for the exciting new face of our Dragon's Lair. North Valley parents and volunteers are the best!

Kudos to Brian Little and his Landscaping students for the ongoing work on our driveway island. Kudos also to Jenny Baldwin and her groom Joel for donating the landscaping rock!

Kudos to Noah Baker and Coach Sears for our county's only state honors in Swimming! Noah took 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100 meter breaststroke on Saturday.

Kudos to Coach Garcia and the 6 NVHS wrestlers headed to state this afternoon!

Kudos to Rob Moeny who received national honors from the National Forensics League this month for the exceptional performance of current and previous forensics competitors!

### Academics

We are preparing for the 2010-2011 scheduling process. We will have class meetings at the end of March for teachers to market their electives and then will begin Preferential Polling for 9<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> graders. The following week, Counselors will help 8<sup>th</sup> graders choose their freshman classes and we will hold a Parent Night to ensure parents are involved in the process. We are hopeful our Master Schedule can be built in early May and fall schedules mailed home before summer.

We are deep into our OAKS statewide assessment testing. So far, our scores look very good, thanks to teachers, students and Diana Tonnesen, our testing coordinator. So far, we are seeing the following:

Reading:	73% have met or exceeded (151/156 sophomores)	2009 State Average: 66%
Math:	54% have met or exceeded (142/156 sophomores)	2009 State Average: 54%
Science:	63% have met or exceeded (141/156 sophomores)	2009 State Average: 58%

We are also completing Writing this week but will not have results until late in the spring.

### Facilities

We have been working with Maintenance on some serious air quality issues in the HVAC system which seem to be improving. We also had an inspection from the Fire Marshall this week which went well with many compliments to our custodians and other staff.

### Activities

Spring sports practices have begun for Men's and Women's Golf, Baseball, Softball and Track. We have 168 students currently participating in a spring sport.

Our spring play, *The Curious Savage*, opens this Friday and promises to be highly entertaining. Come watch this Friday or Saturday night or the following weekend at 7:30!

Free Design continues polishing their show about a World War II era USO dance. The show this year includes a special honor to veterans and current service folks. Performances will be in April at the GPHS PAC.