

SAN CARLOS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20



Governing Board Report Special Education/Alternative School April 9, 2013 Donald Hancock, Director

One of the most important areas of community involvement is to coordinate with the various agencies in the area of youth needs. I have met with Peridot Housing for the purpose of gaining access to their computer network for our students to work on their graduation credits. They would also be able to use the facilities for research and general academic studies after hours. I held a meeting with Gila County Community College, San Carlos Apache Tribe Education Department and Gila County School GED program to establish a communication link for our students who need to pursue the GED program. I meet regularly with the Wellness Clinic to help identify our students and to coordinate the services they need.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

AIM's testing has been the primary focus this month with AIM's A being completed on March 28, 2013. We had one student who was not tested. The student was absent from school due to knee surgery.

Mary Kay and I are reviewing student files to find and make necessary adjustments. We currently have 180 students in Special Education.

The breakdown by grade level is as follows:

Pre School	36	Kindergarten	12
1 st Grade	15	2 nd Grade	11
3 rd Grade	15	4 th Grade	13
5 th Grade	12	6 th Grade	10
7 th Grade	10	8 th Grade	5
9 th Grade	6	10 th Grade	18
11 th Grade	10	12 th Grade	7

Total 180

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL

AIM's preparation is also underway with daily instruction on writing and math. During the February AIM's writing test the alternative school had one student absent for 97% testing. We are required to test 95% of the students.

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. The Math AIM's test will be on April 9, 2013.

The Alternative school is at capacity at the present with 65 enrolled students. There are 7 students in the Juvenile Detention Center and 2 students working on line from the SPED offices. Graduation is foremost on their minds. We have one student who has completed all of her course work for graduation. Peridot Housing is allowing us to use of their computer lab in the Moonbase area for our students to work on their school work. We have begun the process of interviewing each student and showing them where they are in their graduation progress.

We continue to use Khan Academy which is a free Math tutorial video program to help students with their math. If the students do not understand a math problem anywhere from Kindergarten to Advanced Calculus it will show them a video on how to solve the problem. If you want to view the program go to www.khanacademy.org, it is free and easy to use.

Officer Nosie of the San Carlos Police Department was the guest speaker for the parent night held March 28, 2012. He presented a lot of insight into how to make it appropriately in the world today. He encouraged the students to get all the training and education they can get. Most importantly he said to be consistent and stay with your goals. We hold a monthly parent night for the parents to come in a see what opportunities are available for the students. We have included guest speakers from various schools and agencies.

PRE-SCHOOL

We currently have 36 students in pre-school. The next Child Find will be on going throughout the summer with students starting school in the fall. Transitioning from pre-school to Kindergarten is under way.

Our monthly meeting this month will emphasize Child Find and the MOU agreement for the next school year.