



November 3, 2010

Dear Mr. Huber-Kantola and Board Members,

The enrollment at North Valley High School consists of 150 9th graders, 170 10th graders, 155 11th graders, and 163 seniors for a total of 638 students. We have set some goals for the year but specifically for the 1st trimester. One of the major goals was to increase communication between our school and the parents/guardians of our students. We have achieved this by signing up more than 403 parents of our 638 students on Parent Assist.

The other major goal we have been working on is our attendance. We want our students to come to school. If they are present we can accomplish many of our foundation goals. At this point, in the first trimester we have increased our enrollment; September 2009 attendance % was 89.17%, September 2010 we were 94.65%, 5.48% increase. October 2009 attendance % was 89.55%; October 2010 was 92.16%, 3.06% increase.

We have increased our technology in our school; we put in a new 30 seat computer lab equipped with a teaching station which is being used just about every period of every day. We also installed active boards in all of our math and science classrooms and have conducted workshops on how to use this new technology in curriculum of these two subjects. Greg Osterman, Rob Saunders, and Mike Durrant have been resources for our teachers when it comes to technology and specifically, our math curriculum and best practices as it relates to the active boards.

Our very own Ron Peck took a day off of teaching social studies and trained at least one member from each of our departments on Kagan strategies. Each department was represented and they in turn have trained others on how to use these strategies to get students more engaged with the curriculum across the board.

We have brought back Advisory which is pairing students up with a teacher on campus with similar interest. As part of this curriculum we are establishing personal and academic goals, recorded accomplishments throughout a student's high school career, and creating a check list for each grade which culminates with college applications.

We have implemented our OAKS testing schedule and we are testing all sophomores in math and reading. Sophomores will test in science along with all Juniors when 1st trimester is completed in November.



Finally, we have had tremendous numbers in extra and co-curricular activities first trimester. We had 181 participants in fall sports which included cross country, football, soccer, and volleyball. We also have 22 participants in the fall play; Star Wars the Musical and we had 25 free design students and 15 band members performed the other night in our fall concert.

Respectfully submitted,

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Principal