



# NEWSLETTER

Crescent View West students don't need to have huge grotesque heads to be smart. In fact, with regular size heads the students of CVWest increased the school's test scores on the California Standard Tests for the second year in a row. CVWest is now competing on the same academic level as traditional schools.

Some people may ask, "How is it possible for CVWest students to do so well when they only attend school one day a week?" Well, we have a few ideas.

The individual learning program that a teacher uses when meeting with a student allows them to work together to create an academic plan that addresses the student's needs and talents.

The Success Now Core Labs help students focus on key

academic areas, such as English, Math, Science, and Reading. These labs prepare students for the Exit Exam and strengthens their understanding of the California State Standards.

CVWest has passed the strenuous certification process required for WASC certification, which proves that CVWest is serious about educating their students.

The positive attitude of the faculty and the student body contributes greatly to the success of our school.

Do your friends a favor and let them know about all of the benefits available at Crescent View West Charter High School.



# CVWEST TEST SCORES COMPETITIVE WITH TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS

**The  
64%  
Rule**

**ACADEMIC  
PLANS**

# SEP 09

# IMPORTANT DATES

## SCHOOL CLOSED

Veteran's Day  
Wednesday, November 11

## Other Events

Exit Exam  
November 3 & 4 at 8 am - 11th & 12th graders

# What WASC means to you.



Imagine you are graduating high school and applying to the college of your choice. Wouldn't it be horrible if you received a letter saying that the college does not recognize the credits you earned in high school? How could this happen? Well, it can't happen if you graduate from CVWest, because it is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. (WASC) When a high school becomes WASC accredited, colleges know that the school has integrity and student transcripts are trustworthy.

### What does WASC accreditation do?

- Certification to the public that the school is a trustworthy institution of learning
- Validates the integrity of a school's program and student transcripts
- Fosters improvement of the school's programs and operations to support student learning
- Assures a school community that the school's purposes are appropriate and being accomplished through a viable educational program
- A way to manage change through regular assessment, planning, implementing, monitoring and reassessment
- WASC assists a school/district in establishing its priority areas for improvement as a result of the accreditation cycle that includes
  - School self-assessment of the current educational program for students
  - Insight and perspective from the visiting committee
  - Regular school staff assessment of progress through the intervening years between full self-studies.



Military recruiters expect their applicants to be from accredited schools.

Many districts have policies to accept credits only from WASC accredited schools.

Accreditation is required with respect to the Cal Grants.

Colleges and universities examine transcripts to determine if the students have attended accredited institutions.

Students at CVWest can be proud that they attend a WASC accredited high school. Not all schools are WASC accredited, ask your friends if their school has earned its accreditation.

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“Hey!  
I just have to get a  
60% to pass a test. Why  
should I study?”

## The 64% Rule

Let me tell ya something, Sparky.

First of all, that is just stinkin' thinkin'. You should take pride in what you are able to learn, so you can impress your friends with your superior knowledge.

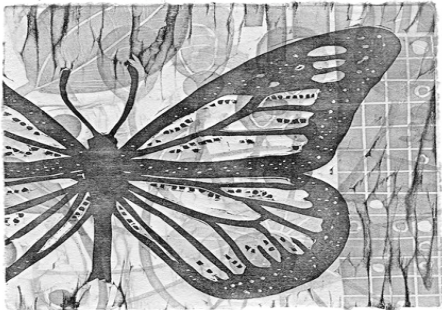
Second, there is a 64% rule. And I quote: “If a student scores 64% or lower on a test, he/she may move on to the next credit (as this is a passing grade) but must attend one hour of tutorial before the next appointment. Tutorial time may be spent as a review of course material or as a study period for the next credit.”

Sure, the tutors are friendly and extremely bright, but no one wants to be **forced** to spend an entire hour with them. It is best to see them whenever you need help or have questions. Avoid the 64% rule by studying before each test.

### CVWest Tutoring Schedule

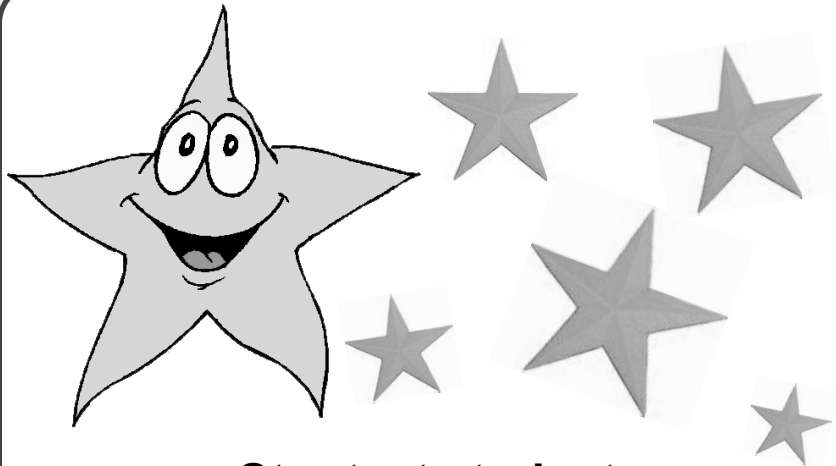
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Sarah P. 11am – 5pm



I have made many mistakes in my life. I have learned from my mistakes in my life as well. One thing that I never do is regret. You just got to live life as it comes to you. It's not always pretty and it's definitely not fair. But o well you got to live with it. Enjoy what you have when you have it. Be thankful for everything you have got and live your life to the fullest from morning to night. Life isn't promised another day. Believe in what you believe in. Fight for what is right. Love the one's that means the most to you. You never know when it could all be over. Trust in yourself. Never let anybody bring you down or feel ashamed of who you are. Be happy and be positive.

*Adrine Rose*



## Star test students

The test scores for the STAR test are back and some students ranked among the super stars. They are fortunate enough not to be required to attend labs every week.

7 students had an API score of 1000 – 900, so they no longer have to attend labs.

18 students had an API score of 899 – 800, so they are required to attend only 1 lab per learning period.

Over 55 students had an API score of 799 – 700, so they are required to attend only 2 labs per learning period.

Congratulations to all of the Super Stars. If you weren't a Super Star this time around, there is always next year. Study hard, work diligently, try your hardest on the STAR test, and you just may be among next year's Super Stars.



# ATTENTION ALL WRITERS

Have you ever said to yourself, "Self, I know I can write awesome articles for the newsletter, but submitting them to the communication committee is such a hassle." Surprise! The submission process just got a lot easier. Now it is possible to submit newsletter articles online. Yes. You heard me right. You

can now submit newsletter articles online. Just go to

[www.mycvwest.com](http://www.mycvwest.com) and on the left you will see Public Submissions. Just click on the word 'Submissions' and follow the directions. All articles will be considered for submission in the next newsletter. Who knows, you may be the next Mark Twain or Hunter S. Thompson, without the hassle of tracking down a communication committee member.



To gain admittance to CVWest you must follow the dress code.

1. Remove all hats, caps, beanies, hoods, and bandanas
2. No gang clothing or attire is allowed. (Ed. Code 35294.1)
3. No inappropriate clothing or clothing that disrupts the effective functioning of the school. (Ed. Code 35294.1)

## ART TRIVIA



Leonardo da Vinci spent 12 years painting the Mona Lisa's lips.

Roman statues were made with detachable heads, so that one head could be removed and replaced by another.

During his entire life, artist Vincent Van Gogh sold just one painting; Red Vineyard at Arles

## ACADEMIC PLANS

In an effort to prepare for the new academic year, the teachers at CVWest have prepared an academic plan for each student. This is a vital part of the individual learning concept used at our school. This year's core classes and the elective classes have been meticulously planned out for each student to prepare him/her for the California Standardized Tests, Exit Exam, and, most important of all, graduation. Students should ask for a copy of his/her personalized academic plan from his/her teacher. It will show the courses that the student will be taking this year and allows the student to keep track of how many credits they have earned.

