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COCONINO ASSOCIATION FOR  
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## "Welcome Back To CAVIAT With A Caveat"



### A Word of Caution

By now, almost everyone is aware of the **deep cuts** that were made to Joint Technical Education (JTED) Districts around the State last year as a result of Senate Bill 1617, which **removed** the funding for 9th grade students enrolled in Career and Technical Education (CTE) classes. We find ourselves very fortunate to welcome our students back this fall with nearly the same schedule of classes that were available last spring. Throughout the CAVIAT District, member schools have worked hard to mitigate the effects of the \$29 million or approximately **40% reduction** in total JTED funding across Arizona.

However, a closer look at what has transpired presents an entirely different picture. In order to avoid cutting programs this year, most districts dug into cash **reserves** they had set aside to purchase equipment and develop future programs. Characteristic of CTE programs is the **high cost** of equipping classrooms with industrial tools, environmental control devices such as dust evacuation systems and other safety related equipment. In addition, money must be conserved each year to introduce **new programs** the following year. Since Arizona schools do not receive same year funding, to hire new teachers and pay for all related instructional costs, schools must set aside adequate funding. By tapping these limited reserves to preserve programs this year, equipment acquisition and upgrades along with the implementation of new offerings in the future has been significantly hampered.

In the immediate aftermath of the elimination of freshmen funding, there were reports that the State budget still faced a projected billion dollar shortfall. To close this gap, there was fear that funding for **sophomore students** may be abolished as well. Perhaps of greater concern was the prospect that the State might discontinue support for JTED satellite programs. In contrast to central programs, which are offered in conjunction with the Community College, satellite classes are

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## High School Member Districts

Coconino High School

taught on member district campuses and comprise more than 85% of all CAVIAT programs. If this were to occur, CAVIAT and most of the other JTEDs serving rural Arizona would virtually cease to exist.

It should be noted that projected revenues for the State have subsequently improved so there is hope that additional cuts may be averted. We encourage parents, businesses and other interested parties to pay close attention to these developments and share their concerns with their **elected officials**.

Never before have we witnessed a time when such a high **unemployment** rate was cast against the back drop of so many **"help wanted" ads**. For those with the proper skill sets, well paying jobs await. Furthermore, addressing the chronic shortage of skilled workers is in keeping with a much faster economic recovery for Arizona and the nation. JTEDs play an important role in addressing this issue, but in the words of a friend of mine, **"Cutting education during an economic down turn is like eating your seed corn during a famine."**

JTEDs offer the most cost **effective means** of preparing students for the current job market. For the vast majority of students who do not plan on attaining a 4 year college degree, they have an opportunity to gain **marketable skills** and earn a decent living upon graduation from high school by completing a Career and Technical Education program. For university bound students who need to pay their own way through college, skills acquired through JTED programs afford them the opportunity to earn significantly higher hourly wages at either full or part time jobs while furthering their education.

Considering that every person's share of the national debt is reported to be in the neighborhood of \$150,000, it is obvious that most of that debt will be passed on to future generations. It seems only fair to me that if we leave them so heavily indebted, we at least **owe** them the education and training necessary to effectively shoulder that burden. Anything less, is **unconscionable**.

Sincerely,

**Jac Heiss**

CAVIAT Superintendent

## Flagstaff High School



Flagstaff High School welcomes their new  
FUSD Career Counselor

**Kevin Beuthin**

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Flagstaff High School

[www.fusd1.org/fhs](http://www.fusd1.org/fhs)

Fredonia-Moccasin  
High School

[www.fredonia.org](http://www.fredonia.org)

Grand Canyon  
High School

[www.grandcanyonschool.org](http://www.grandcanyonschool.org)

Page High School

[www.hs.pageusd.org](http://www.hs.pageusd.org)

Williams High School

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Kevin Beuthin has been an educator for five years. Prior to serving as a CAVIAT Counselor at Flagstaff High School he spent four years teaching high school Social Studies and coaching Girls Basketball at Copper Canyon High School in Glendale, Arizona. Originally an Illinois native, Kevin moved to Arizona in 2003. An alumnus of Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University, Kevin and his wife are new to Flagstaff.



## Grand Canyon High School



Grand Canyon High School welcomes their new CTE Director

### Ed Kennedy

Ed Kennedy was born in Pittsburgh, PA. Relocated to Southern California in 1977 and recently moved to the Grand Canyon. He graduated from California State University with a Bachelors degree in Vocational Education and a Masters in Emergency Services Administration. He has a teaching credential in Arizona and California. As a fully qualified teacher, with 5 years teaching with at risk children and 30 years of varied Information Technology corporate experiences, there's much he can offer for the educational needs of our young children. He is confident that his passion for children's development, together with his skills and expertise, will enable him to make a significant difference.

When he is not in the classroom Ed enjoys spending time with his teen-age daughter, engaging in outdoor activities, visiting with his friends, listening to music and cooking. With his background in emergency services he has volunteered his time with CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) helping communities prepare in the event of a disaster and participating in drills and exercises with local law and fire enforcement.



He is looking forward to working at Grand Canyon School District as the new CTE Director.

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## CAVIAT CTE Classes

Automotive Technology  
Business Education  
Computer Networking  
Cooperative Education  
Criminal Justice  
Culinary Arts  
Drafting & Manufacturing  
Early Childhood  
Education Professions  
Electrical  
Graphics Communication  
Industrial Mechanics  
Industrial Trades



Coconino High School welcomes their new  
FUSD career counselor

### Will White

Will has been involved in education for over 15 years. He holds a Master's degree in Education and School Counseling. Will spent 13 years serving as an English teacher in Ellensburg, Washington before making the change to school counseling. Will and his family moved to Flagstaff three years ago so his wife could pursue a graduate degree at NAU. He and his wife have two elementary aged daughters.



## *CTE in the "NEWS" [click on these links to find out more](#)*



[Are you Qualified? Employers are looking for Employees...](#)

[Companies are Hiring Offering Great Jobs with Benefits...](#)

[Dirty Jobs Host, Mike Rowe, Speaks Out for Career and Technical Training...](#)



## *CAVIAT's New Website*

The **new CAVIAT website** is now up and running. We are very proud of the final outcome and would like to especially thank **Christine Mayer**, our CAVIAT CTE Coordinator, **Joan Carstensen Design** and **Indigo8** for all their hard work and collaboration in developing this new website.

[Click here to check out our new website at www.caviat.org](http://www.caviat.org)

Law Enforcement  
Marketing  
Medical Assistant  
Metalworking  
Nursing  
Performing Arts  
Woods/Construction

Check with your CTE Director  
to see which classes are  
offered at your High School for  
2011-2012



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## Organizing Your Life

### Management Tips for Students



Managing your time well is an important element of success - especially if you're a student. If you set priorities that fit your needs and lifestyle, you'll have a better chance of achieving your goals. Here are some tips for taking control of your time and organizing your life from [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

#### 1. Make a To-Do List Every Day.

Put things that are most important at the top and do them first. And don't forget to reward yourself for your accomplishments.

#### 2. Use Spare Minutes Wisely.

When you're commuting on the bus or train, use the time to get some reading done.

#### 3. It's Okay to Say No.

If your friend asks you to go to a movie on a Thursday night and you have an exam the next morning, realize that it's okay to say no. Keep your short- and long-term priorities in mind.

#### 4. Find the Right Time.

You'll work more efficiently if you figure out when you do your best work. For example, if your brain handles math better in the afternoon, don't wait to do it until late at night.

#### 5. Review Your Notes Every Day.

Reviewing helps you reinforce what you've learned, so you need less time to study before a test. You'll also be ready if you get called on in class or have to take a pop quiz.

#### 6. Get a Good Night's Sleep.

Your brain needs rest to perform at its peak. Lack of sleep makes the day seem longer and your tasks seem more difficult.

#### 7. Communicate Your Schedule to Others.

If phone calls or text messages are proving to be a distraction, tell your friends that you are only available at certain times of day and not to expect a response at other times.

#### 8. Become a Taskmaster.

Give yourself a time budget and plan your activities accordingly. Figure out how much free time you have each week before you add any commitments.

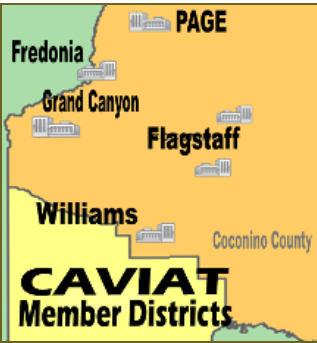
#### 9. Don't Waste Time Agonizing.

Instead of agonizing and procrastinating, just do it. Wasting an entire evening worrying about something that you're supposed to be doing is not productive, and can increase your stress.

#### 10. Determine Your Priorities.

You can't do everything at once. Establish the importance of each item. Then set realistic goals that are attainable.

*New District Office sign  
located at 19 Poplar Street Page, AZ*



Please forward this newsletter to other students, parents, local business or school personnel.  
Thank you.



### Mark your Calendar

- 9/29 ASBA County Workshop
- 9/30 CAVIAT Board Meeting
- 9/30 Page- no school
- 10/5-6 Grand Canyon- 1/2 day
- 10/10 Grand Canyon- no school
- 10/14 CAVIAT Board Meeting
- 10/20 Page- 1/2 day
- 11/4 CAVIAT Board Meeting
- 11/10 Fredonia- no school
- 11/11 Veterans Day
- 11/23-11/25 Thanksgiving Break
- 12/9 CAVIAT Board Meeting
- 12/14-16 ASBA/AASBO workshop
- 12/19 FUSD and CCC winter break begins



## Board Meetings

### FY 2011/2012 Governing Board Meeting Schedule

- July 1, 2011 - Teleconference
- August 12, 2011 - Flagstaff
- September 30, 2011 - Page
- October 14, 2011 - Teleconference
- November 4, 2011 - Page
- December 9, 2011 - Teleconference
- January 13, 2012 - Flagstaff
- February 10, 2012 - Teleconference
- March 8, 2012 - Fredonia
- April 19, 2012 - Grand Canyon
- May 10, 2012 - Williams
- June 15, 2012 - Page

12/21 Fredonia, Grand Canyon,  
Page and Williams winter break  
begins

12/23/11 thru 1/2/12 CAVIAT  
District Office closed

### **CAVIAT's Mission...**

**Provide students with  
the opportunity to  
acquire career related  
skills and ethics needed  
to become responsible  
members of society.**

**CAVIAT will improve  
and enhance Career and  
Technical Education by:**

**Collaborating and  
coordinating resources.**

**Expanding training  
experiences.**

**Providing opportunities  
for students to showcase  
their accomplishments.**

**-adopted June 2006**

## **Career Opportunities for High School Students**