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Congratulations Graduates!



As the school year comes to a close, on behalf of the Governing Board and staff of CAVIAT, I'd like to congratulate the graduating class of 2011. We especially wish to recognize the hundreds of students throughout Coconino County who have not only completed the requirements to earn their high school diplomas, but also those who received Certificates of Completion in one or more of the career and technical education programs which we offer in partnership with the member districts. Many of these same students opted to participate in one of our central program offerings which earned them up to two years of college credit.

At a time when college tuition rates are dramatically increasing all over the country, the value of this achievement is further amplified. In addition to obtaining a certificate, which may lead to a well paying job immediately upon graduation, many of these students will return to the college or university next fall with two years of study already completed. We have received numerous reports from previous graduates and their parents attesting to the incredible opportunity this has been for them.

Apparently, the word is out and we are happy to report that our enrollment in central programs next fall has nearly doubled. The downside of the report is that the 30% cut to our revenue this year coupled with ongoing cuts to Coconino Community College threatens the long term viability of our central programs. With the help of the administrations of our member districts, it is our belief that we can minimize the negative impact this will have on CAVIAT offerings for the 2011-12 school year. However, once we



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collectively have used up monies that had been set aside for program improvements and for the introduction of new programs, the affects of these budget cuts will be hard felt. It is anticipated that approximately 25% of our programs throughout CAVIAT are at risk and chief among them are our central program options.

We are working assiduously to address this issue and as things develop, we will issue reports accordingly. Have a great summer season and stay tuned.

Sincerely,
Jac Heiss
CAVIAT Superintendent

CHS & CCC Graduates

On Friday, May 13, CHS Seniors **Shawnelle Garretson** and **Daniel Jones** graduated from Coconino Community College Class of 2011 and Coconino High School. Shawnelle and Daniel have worked hard the past two years as **full time high school and full time college** students enrolled in CAVIAT Central Program(s).

Daniel and Shawnelle graduated from Coconino High School on June 10 with the Class of 2011. Shawnelle will pursue **nursing at ASU** and Daniel will complete his already impressive education in network engineering at **Devry University**.

Congratulations go out to Shawnelle and Daniel for their **dedication to education** and their future careers!



Shawnelle Garretson

Daniel Jones

High School Member Districts

Coconino High School
www.fusd1.org/chs

Flagstaff High School
www.fusd1.org/fhs

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High School
www.fredonia.org

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High School
www.grandcanyonschool.org

Page High School
www.hs.pageusd.org

Williams High School
www.wusd2.org/whs



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Grand Canyon High School Graduate

Tanner Hartigan, a 2011 Grand Canyon High School graduate is our first GCHS student to successfully complete a **Central pilot program** launched at the high school this academic school year. This year CAVIAT offered, via **Interactive Television (ITV)**, **Criminal Justice** classes which were transmitted, live, from



Flagstaff to the Coconino Community College (CCC) campus to the high school campus. Tanner enrolled in and successfully completed these class offerings during his senior year at GCHS. Originally Tanner felt he would pursue a career in law enforcement but now has plans to continue his education at **Yavapai Community College** in the field of gun smithing. He is currently seeking employment with a gun manufacturer prior to continuing college in the fall.

Congratulations Tanner for a job well done. We are very proud of your accomplishments!

Nursing Assistant Certification

Maggie White, a high school student in **Williams**, enrolled at CCC for the **Certified Nursing Assistant CAVIAT Central Program** her fall semester of her senior year. Maggie showed

dedication to her education as this class offering was held in **Flagstaff** two days per week along with 40 hours of clinical also fulfilled in the Flagstaff area. In January Maggie was given the opportunity to sit for the **state boards** where she achieved her **Nursing Assistant certification**. Maggie is currently **employed** at a nursing home in Williams.



Congratulations Maggie for all your hard work and determination.

The CAVIAT Staff is **proud of you** and all that you've achieved!

What kids can do in less than 30 days!



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Coconino High School
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School Begins

Coconino/Flagstaff
August 18th

Fredonia

Coconino High School students, under the direction of their Automotives instructor **Mr Bryan Locke**, took an old farm truck body, worked it and painted it in less then 30 days. It is now a **parade truck** that veterans can ride in for the **Arizona Purple Heart Chapter** for wounded solders. You will be able to see it in the 4th of July parade and others like it in Flagstaff!
"With all the talk about kids not making it in school I think this shows their talents when we give them the **opportunities** and a little push", stated Mr Locke.

CTE students in the "NEWS"



Williams Career Expo makes news!

[This is what the Williams News had to say...](#)

[A letter to the Editor about the Williams Career Expo...](#)

Success in Culinary Arts Department!

[Read about Flagstaff students competing on the state level...](#)

CAVIAT Superintendent, featured on PBS "Horizon"

The FY2012 state budget eliminates career and technical education funding for 9th grade students. Find out how that impacts Arizona's efforts to prepare high school students for the workforce. Guests include **Carolyn Warner**, co-chair of the Arizona Skill Standards Commission; **Jac Heiss**, superintendent of the Coconino Association for Vocations, Industry and Technology; and **Brandon Ames**, CEO of ABLE Information Technologies.

[Watch the interview with Horizon Host Ted Simmons...](#)

Skills USA AZ Championships

Flagstaff High School

Every year we at Flagstaff High School take a hand full of students down to Phoenix to participate in the Skills USA Arizona State Championship where

students from around the state compete in many different job related skills. This past April **Michael Mathews** and **Josh Eberhard** (both 11th graders) made the trip down to complete as a team in the area of Web Page Design. In the Web Page Design competition student teams are



August 24th

Grand Canyon

August 9th

Page

August 8th

Williams

August 15th



CAVIAT

Mission Statement

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

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CTE Classes

Automotive Technology
Business Education
Computer Networking
Cooperative Education
Criminal Justice

given a prompt where they design and code an entire web page in 6 hours. In addition to building the site they also have to complete certain challenges and add them to the website.

This year's competition was especially difficult. The Web Page Design competition saw more competitors than previous years and with a much higher skill level. But even with the elevated competition, Michael and Josh were able to build a great website and place 2nd overall. We are very proud of how they competed at Skills USA and the growth that both have demonstrated this year. We especially look forward to having them for another year, with hopes of competing at the national level.



Michael Matthews and Josh Eberhard pictured with Skills USA leaders.

Page High School

Computer Maintenance Technology 2nd Place: Charlie Manz

The CMT contest requires contestants to identify and repair computer hardware malfunctions, solve configuration problems, and install common components. In addition, the contestants take the A+ Certification exam. Their score on this exam is used as the basis for the written portion of the contest, and contestants who pass the exam receive their A+ Certification.

Welding

2nd Place: Troy Tullie

Competitors receive contest drawings and a set of welding procedure specifications. All drawings, welding symbols, and welding terms conform to the latest edition of the American Welding Society standards. Through a series of stations, contestants are tested on various aspects of welding: measuring weld replicas, using weld measuring gauges; laying out a plate and using oxy-acetylene equipment to cut several holes that are checked for accuracy and quality; Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) on steel making welds in various positions using short circuiting transfers; Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW) using a shielding gas, making welds in various positions and, using a combination machine capable of providing the correct welding current for shielded metal arc (SMAW) and gas tungsten arc welding (GTAW). Competitors complete the

Culinary Arts
 Drafting &
 Manufacturing
 Early Childhood
 Education Professions
 Electrical
 Graphics Communication
 Industrial Mechanics
 Industrial Trades
 Law Enforcement
 Marketing
 Medical Assistant
 Metalworking
 Nursing
 Performing Arts
 Woods/Construction
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 Director to see which classes
 are offered at your High
 School for
 2011-2012



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steel project and weld an aluminum project in various
 positions using a variety of filler metals.

AZ Public Schools features CAVIAT



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 Arizona Public School
 article...](#)

Indianapolis Battlebots Competition

The Williams' **Vikings Slab Crabs** are back from the "National Robotics League" National Championships in Indianapolis. Mr **Walt Eastland** and Mr **Larry Gutshall** accompanied **Team Revolver** (Trent Lilly and Westly Watson), **Team Clam Slam** (Garrett Flink and Cody Davis), **Team Requiem** (Chase MacArthur and Ethan Reinartz) and **Team Nautilus** (Colter Hooker and Richard Gianettino).



They had a very busy weekend traveling to Indianapolis by school bus and by plane. There the teams fought against **28** other Battlebots at the **Purdue University College of Technology at Vincennes** at the Indianapolis International Airport. The competition was intense with many very well prepared Battlebots.

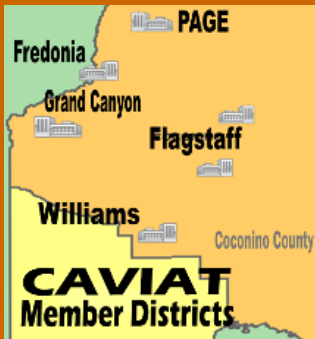


We are all very proud of Mr. Gutshall, who teaches a **precision metals class** at Williams High School. This is one of the **premier high tech programs** in the nation. What an **achievement!**

Fredonia High School Students on the Road to Success

On Thursday, March 31 students in grades 8-12 participated in the **5th Annual Career Day & Teen Job Fair** held at Fredonia High School. This year's theme was **"Roadmap to Your**

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

Thank you.

JTED - Joint Technical Education District

CTE - Career Technical Education

CAVIAT - Coconino Association for Vocations, Industry and Technology

Satellite Programs - CTE programs offered by the high school. Enrollment is through the high school.

Central Programs - Programs offered directly by CAVIAT and are held at different locations, usually at the local community college.

Success". Students were given directions to put them on the road to success in life, with their only pit stops being high school graduation, higher education completion, and the start of a successful career.

[To read more about Fredonia's Career Day click here....](#)



Fredonia's CTE Graduates

[Click here to view Fredonia's Graduates and highlights from their Graduation!](#)

Full Scholarship to Flagstaff High Student

Flagstaff High School alumni, **Jesse Orrill**, graduated from Johnson and Wales University May 20, 2011 with an **AA in Culinary Arts**. He will be moving on to a university in **Denver** next year to pursue his bachelor's degree in **Human Nutrition** with the goal of becoming a Registered Dietitian. He has worked in different restaurants in Denver and continues to do so. His goal is to combine culinary skills and nutrition knowledge into a career. His success is partially due to the encouragement from his Culinary Arts teacher at Flagstaff High School, **Patti Pastor**. Jesse received numerous scholarships throughout the last two years and he will be attending school next year with a **full scholarship**.

The FUSD Culinary Arts programs is a **CAVIAT Satellite Program**.

Beloved teacher retires from Fredonia

A Tribute to Mr. Button... A Wonderful Teacher

With a special gift for learning
And with a heart that deeply cares,
You add a lot of love
To everything you share,
And even though
You mean a lot,
You'll never know how much,
For you helped
To change the world
Through every life you touched.
You sparked the creativity
In the students whom you taught,
And helped them strive for goals
That could not be bought,
You are such a special teacher
That no words can truly tell
However much you're valued



**Enrollment is through
CAVIAT.**

**Dual Enrollment
- Classes taught at the
high school that
qualify for community
college credit.
Enrollment is through
the high school.**

For the work you do so well.
We will miss you Mr. Button!

Thank you for 32 great years at Fredonia High School.

[Click here to see more photos of Mr Button...](#)

Goodbye to Annie

The CAVIAT Board is sadly accepting the resignation of board member Marilyn "Annie" Hanson. Annie has represented the city of Williams these past four years. Her previous experience with the forest service has proved to be invaluable. She has provided insight into issues involving the vocational field along with the understanding and knowledge on how to relate it to todays work force. The CAVIAT Board, staff and administration will miss her winning ways. We wish her all the best for the future.

-Lee Treece
CAVIAT Board President

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Career Opportunities for High School Students