



Cañon City High School

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

On December 8th we will be conducting an assembly to implement the Safe2Tell program to all students. We hope this program will address some of the bullying and fighting issues. I would also ask parents to explain to your student the consequences of being involved in a fight at school. Usually a student receives 3 to 5 days of out-of-school suspension and possible criminal charges may be filed by our School Resource Officer. If the student participates in extracurricular activities the student faces a percentage of the season where they are not eligible to participate. That split second decision to fight could taint your student's juvenile record until their 18 years of age. We are asking parents to have your student report any incidents of threats, bullying, breaking of the law, vandalism of school property, and drugs or alcohol use to the counselors, teachers or administrators. Making right decisions could be the difference between attorney and court costs to convincing your student it's not right to fight. As adults what would happen to us at our jobs if we got into a fight with a fellow employee? We would probably lose our jobs and face possible charges. We need your help talking to your student that it's not okay to start a fight or threaten a fellow student.

Safe2Tell provides students and adults in all Colorado schools and communities an increased ability to both prevent violence by making safe, ANONYMOUS calls. Both state law and the procedures established by Safe2Tell for receiving and forwarding tips guarantees the anonymity of every caller. Calls are answered at a Colorado State Patrol communication center. When action is needed, information is immediately forwarded to local school officials and law enforcement agencies, as appropriate. Safe2Tell then goes the extra step and follows up with the school who received the tip to ensure that it was investigated and that action was taken. The assurance that calls cannot be tracked and that appropriate action will be taken is helping persuade young people to move away from a code of silence and to take a stand. One benefit of empow-



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ering students to help create their own safe school environment is increased academic performance.

Thanksgiving Break was busy. The custodial staff buffed and cleaned the inside of the school. Mr. Trahern brought in a painter to paint the two big walls in the Tiger Dome. Mrs. Allbrandt brought in a painter to paint a tiger mural in the new wing of the school, donated by the Class of 2006.

December brings just three weeks of classes with the end of the first semester before the Holiday Break. We continue the monthly student lunch meetings which is open to any CCHS student. Help your student prepare for semester tests. It's a short month with a lot to get done!

Basketball and Wrestling season are in full force. The upcoming Christmas Programs you do not want to miss. The "Home for the Holidays" program featuring Mr. Todd Albrecht and Tamra Hayden along with CCHS Encore, Tiger Ladies and Pueblo Symphony Orchestra, will be performing on Sunday, December 7th at 2:00 p.m. The students here at CCHS never cease to amaze me with their talents.

Reminder to parents to please drop-off and pick-up your student off of 12th street, to help keep our fire and bus lane free from traffic and congestion. Students must be picked up by 3:15 p.m. due to no supervision.

The following students have been chosen for "December Student of the Month", 9th grade: Rachel Holladay, Brandon Rix, Brittney Silengo and Jeremy Vangelder. 10th grade: Catelin Matthews and Dillon McConnon. 11th grade: Emily Christensen, David Huffington, Taylor Regnier and Katelynn Starika. 12th grade: Amy Davis and Antje Leonard.

