

CCHS Newsletter

College and Career High School: We Turn Dreams Into Degrees



CCHS senior Jonah Casias (above) is interning at Katharsis Media this year. He has filmed events around Albuquerque such as the NM State Fair and local TV shows. This spring he is finishing up his Film Degree at CNM.

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CNM Fall Term
Grades: 225 A's,
113 B's, 94 C's,
34 D's, 54 F's

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CCHS Fall GPA

Our School GPA for
the semester at CNM
is 2.81

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Did You Know?

CCHS students
earned 1358 credit
hours this Fall

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CCHS PTSA is
looking for a new
Vice President!

CCHS Teachers Earn National Board Distinction

CCHS teachers Joy Brush and JK Melton (both pictured to the right) recently received news that they had been officially recognized as Nationally Board Certified Teachers. National Board Certification is a comprehensive process developed by teachers to recognize, reward, inspire and grow accomplished teachers across America, according to their website. To earn this distinction teachers must pass a rigorous process by submitting a portfolio that looks at 4 components which examine their professional responsibilities.



“We all know that we should reflect on what we do, but my experience is that it is an easy step to skip. It is nice to have some external commitments to give structure to that reflection and to think hard about what I do in class and why I do it,” Dr. Melton stated when asked how this process helped him improve his craft.

“It’s a challenging and time-consuming process. I analyzed student work, evaluated videos of my lessons, and completed a science test,” Mrs. Brush reflected.

CCHS math teacher Diane Baca also has earned this distinction and is currently a Nationally Board Certified Teacher. Any teacher that has had their teaching license for at least 3 years can apply.

“You are not alone in the process. I frequently reached out to colleagues and professional networks for support. Their feedback was invaluable in refining my work,” Mrs. Brush stated.

STUDENT PROFILE OF THE MONTH: JADE KIKI

This month we are profiling 12th grader Jade Kiki (pictured below with her brother), who has already earned her Psychology Degree at CNM.

Why did you choose Psychology and what do you enjoy about that field?

“I have always been interested in the human mind and the field of psychology is endless. I have already learned many things that have helped me improve my learning, memory, and social interactions.”

What are your plans after you graduate? “After graduation I will finish my Bachelors Degree at UNM and then go out of state for a graduate degree”

What advice do you have for 9th and 10th graders at CCHS? “Prioritize your well-being and happiness in everything you do. Remember it’s your life and you are the one living it, don’t live to please others. Listen to advice but don’t let others dictate your choices or limit your goals. And do what you enjoy!”

