



Continuous Improvement Plan

# Cocopah Middle School



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## 2017/2018 Continuous Improvement Plan

- Academic Goals
- Communication Goals
- Culture Goals



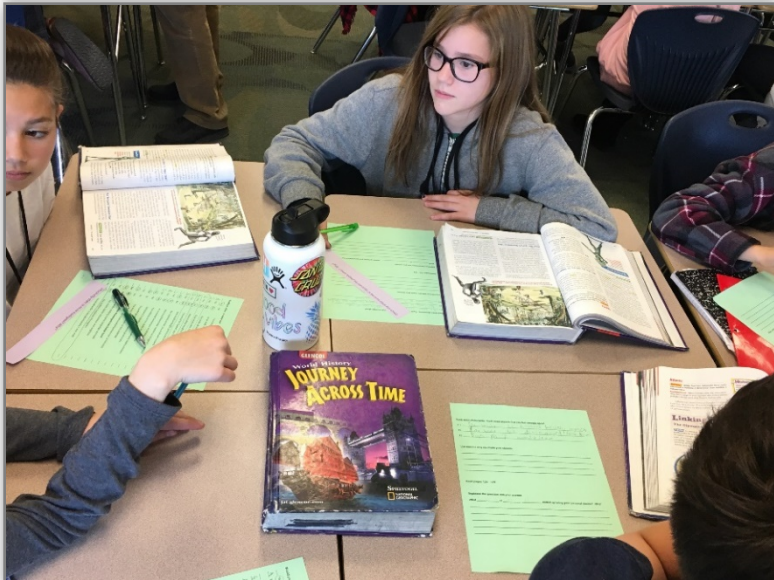
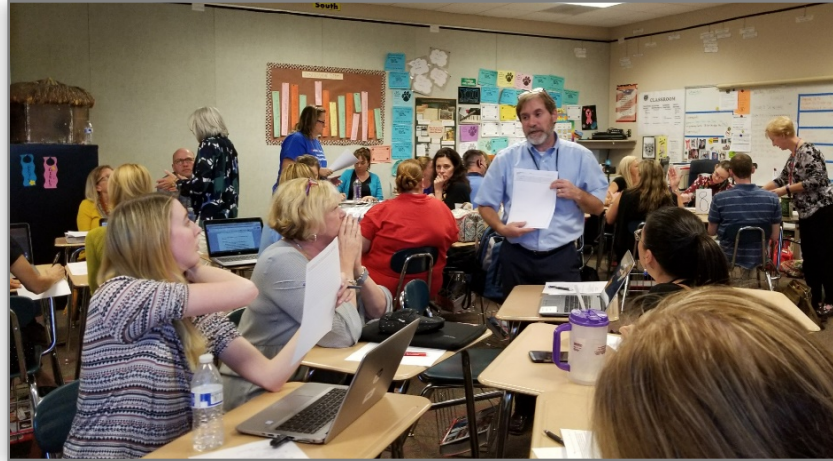
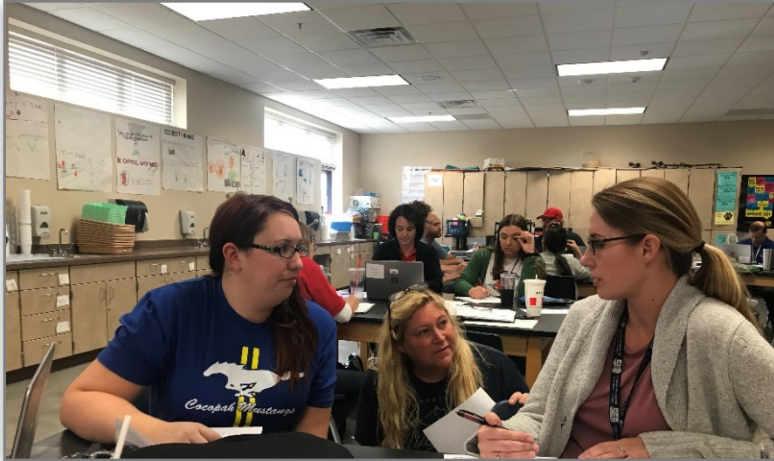


## Academic Goals

- At least 90% of our students will maintain their highly proficient (HP) status
- At least 20% of the other students will move up one performance ranking
- Entire school increases its passing rate on AzMERIT ELA and Math test in 2018 by 10%



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## Communication Goals

- Intentional and positive communication to parents
  - 100% of our teaching staff
  - Positive message to at least five separate families
  - Quarterly
  
- Up-to-date assignment calendar
  - Meaningfully communicate with parents and students regarding academics in each class.



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APT MONTHLY REMINDERS | FEBRUARY 2018

## COCOPAH MIDDLE SCHOOL



It's February and our APT is high volunteer recruitment mode. Last December, our Executive Board met and realized with the changing dynamics of our community - **we also need to change.** We devised a survey to get the community's input and are presently meeting to look at restructuring to make our organization more sustainable. *and keep our volunteers sane!*

Interested in the survey results? At the time of this printing, our form is still open, so these numbers may change... but here's a quick overview of what we are seeing so far:

- 86 People responded (59 parents / 18 teachers / 7 others / 2 admins)
- The majority of responses thought the APT is effectively improving the quality of education and middle school experience. (On a scale of 1-5, 5 being the greatest impact - 33% rated 3, 35% rated 4, and 23% rated 5)
- 99% Agree with our primary goals
- 65% Is interested in having a vote on how our funds are spent
- 81% Didn't know that we had 20 vacant positions on our board
- 53% Have participated (volunteered/donated funds)
- 37% Would like to participate, but don't have the time/money
- 56% Read this publication to stay informed
- 85% Of our parents work

♥ If you are interested in being more active in the next school year, please contact Amy Mariucci at [amariucci@cox.net](mailto:amariucci@cox.net). We'd love the help!

### COCOPAH COMPASSIONATE COMMUNICATIONS YOUTH CONFERENCE

This Youth Conference (FREE) is designed to teach students **how to create human connections** that empower compassionate giving and receiving through non-violent communications. We will meet on Fridays from 2:30 - 4:30 pm beginning February 2nd for 8 weeks (not including District recess periods). Only 40 spots available... see more on our website and sign up there too!



### COCOPAH GATHERS (4 PASSIVE FUNDRAISING)

Grab a friend or another Cocopah family and make plans to meet up at these locations, which in turn will support our school. Make sure to let the person at the register know you are a part of the Cocopah family:

- Dutch Bros. - Monday, Feb. 19 (no school)
- NYPD Pizza Night (March Madness) - ?

Find more information at [CocopahAPT.com](http://CocopahAPT.com) + FB + twitter + text messages + bi-weekly emails



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#### THIS MONTH

- 3 Saturday Sports Festival
- 12 APT General Meeting: 6pm
- 13 Heart Strings Orchestra Concert / Dinner: 6pm (Chaparral)
- 14 EARLY RELEASE: 12:20pm
- 19 PRESIDENT'S DAY - NO SCHOOL
- 20 Coffee with Dr. Birdwell: 9am (Chaparral)
- 21 School Store Open: lunch

#### MARCH

- 9 End of 3rd Quarter
- 12-16 SPRING BREAK
- 19 APT General Meeting
- 28 Coffee with Dr. Birdwell
- 30 DISTRICT RECESS

*wahoo for Spring Break!*



## COCOPAH MIDDLE SCHOOL

Friday, October 6, 2017

Dear Cocopah Families,

On behalf of Cocopah Middle School we would like to wish all of our families a happy, healthy, and relaxing fall break! We will be eager to greet all of our students when they return on Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>!

Some of you may have heard about our exciting Fire Drill today. The alarm went off during one of our lunch hours, so it offered us the opportunity to practice our safety procedures during a little less structured time. The students and teachers were professional and handled it well - we also learned a few things, which means we can be even better prepared should the need ever arise.

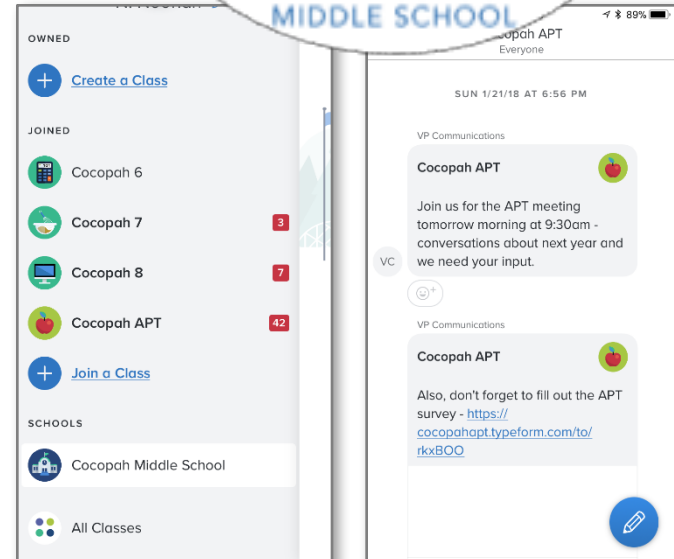
I would like to thank our student council, under the leadership of Ms. Cynthia Denham, for organizing a fun "games at lunch" event today. In spite of the fire drill, the students had a fun time during their lunch and our student council leaders demonstrated a real capacity to lead others and demonstrate flexibility. Here are a few photos:



As always thank you for sending your student(s) to Cocopah. Don't forget to follow us on Twitter @CocopahSUSD and Facebook @cocopahsusc.

Sincerely,  
Mr. Noonan

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## Culture Goals

- Teachers commit to creating an involved Cocopah Community
  - Attendance at student extracurricular activities
  - All teachers
  - At least one per quarter
- Student participation in at least one extracurricular activity during the school year.



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