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ATTENTION PARENTS! WE ARE LOOKING FOR SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL AND ELAC (ENGLISH LEARNERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE) MEMBERS

On September 28th we held the first School Site Council meeting of the school year. We would like to thank the parents that attended. We look forward to our next meeting on February 1, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. and hope you will be able to join us.

This is a great opportunity to show support for your child and get any questions you might have answered. Our next ELAC (English Learners Advisory Committee) will meet on October 14, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. at the district office (2707 Transworld Drive).

¡ATENCIÓN PADRES! ESTAMOS BUSCANDO PADRES PARA EL COMITÉ DE ELAC (COMITÉ DE CONSEJO PARA APRENDICES DE INGLES) Y PARA EL COMITÉ DE CONSEJO ESCOLAR

Las Juntas de ELAC son importantes para familias que tienen hijos que aprenden ingles como segunda idioma. La siguiente junta va a ser el 14 de Octubre, 2009 a las 4:00 p.m. en la oficina de distrito (2707 Transworld Drive). Favor de hacer arreglos para asistir si pueden. Vamos a tener cuidado de niños, traducción y bocadillos. Acabamos de tener nuestro primera Junta de Consejo Escolar el 28 de Septiembre y queremos darles las gracias a los padres que asistieron. La siguiente junta va a ser el 1 de Febrero, 2010 alas 4:00 p.m. Es una buena oportunidad para apoyar a su hijo(a) y si tiene alguna pregunta se lo podemos contestar en esta junta.

PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES

On October 19th—23rd we have parent/teacher conferences. If you do not yet have one scheduled please speak with your child's teacher to set one up.

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the 2009-10 school year with the San Joaquin County Office of Education's **one.®** Program. We are pleased to have your child in our program and will work together with you to meet your child's educational needs.

In order for us to provide students with outstanding educational opportunities, students must attend school every day. We ask that your child arrive at school on time each day, no later than 8:00 a.m., ready to participate and learn. When students are late or absent, they miss out on important lessons and activities. In an effort to improve student attendance, we have implemented a comprehensive truancy process. Our truancy process keeps parents informed if their student is not attending school regularly, and directly involves parents in our shared goal of having students attend school every day. The truancy process includes a series of strategies and activities to

ensure that students attend school. After a student has been absent 5 to 10 school days, a truancy letter will be sent to the parents and the Human Services Agency (HSA) of San Joaquin County notifying them that the student is "habitually truant". The Human Services Agency (HSA) is required to sanction (reduce) the Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) amount. Our hope is that students will return to school before a truancy letter is necessary.

We have also implemented a number of exciting programs to provide our **one.** students with educational and career options. Here are some of the outstanding educational and career opportunities offered in the **one.** Program:

- Business Leadership Academy
- Culinary Arts
- Thematic Music Site
- Service Learning
- Gardening/Horticulture
- Architectural Design
- Construction Skills
- Mechanical Construction
- Cosmetology
- Health Academy

If students are interested in learning more about any of these programs they should contact their teacher, counselor or site Director for more information or call (209) 468-9210.

We look forward to a positive and productive year working in partnership with parents and students to provide the best educational program possible.



Upcoming events/date:

10/16/09	Unit 1 Ends
10/23/09	Report cards go home
10/19/09-10/23/09	Parent/teacher conferences
10/29/09	Bike Quest (American River)
11/3/09-11/4/09	CAHSEE Testing Grades 11 & 12
11/5/09	Opera Quest (SF Opera House) Othello 8 p.m.
11/6/09	LULAC Youth Leadership Conference @ Delta College
11/11/09	Holiday Veteran's Day
11/16/09	Project Citizen
11/19/09	Fun Run Pair o'2's Lake Camanche
11/23/09-11/27/09	No School Thanksgiving break
12/21/09-1/1/10	No School Winter break

CALLING ALL STUDENTS

We want to hear from you! If you would like to submit an article, drawing or comic strip for our next edition of **one.® to one.®** submit your draft to your teacher by December 4th. The next edition will be out in January. We look forward to hearing from you!

"one.®" stands for our desire to remind students that each individual is important and can make a difference in the world; we also want to make the point that it is when individuals join together, and work as "one.®", that miracles can occur.

Chris Mannah, Omarea McPherson, Jesus Leon, Stephen Navarro, and Jeff Bisby at Lake Tahoe Honor Quest. (Pictured right)

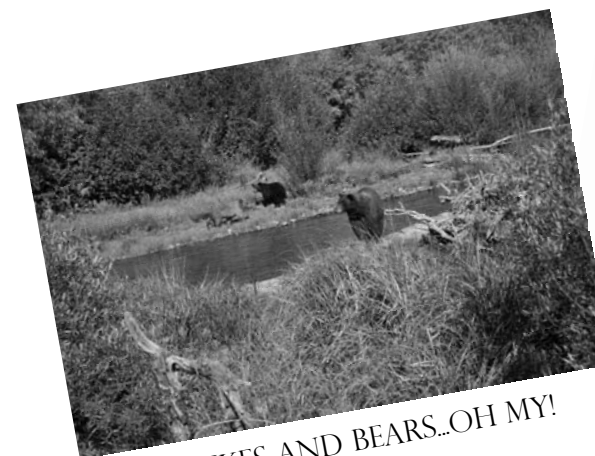


CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM (CAHSEE)

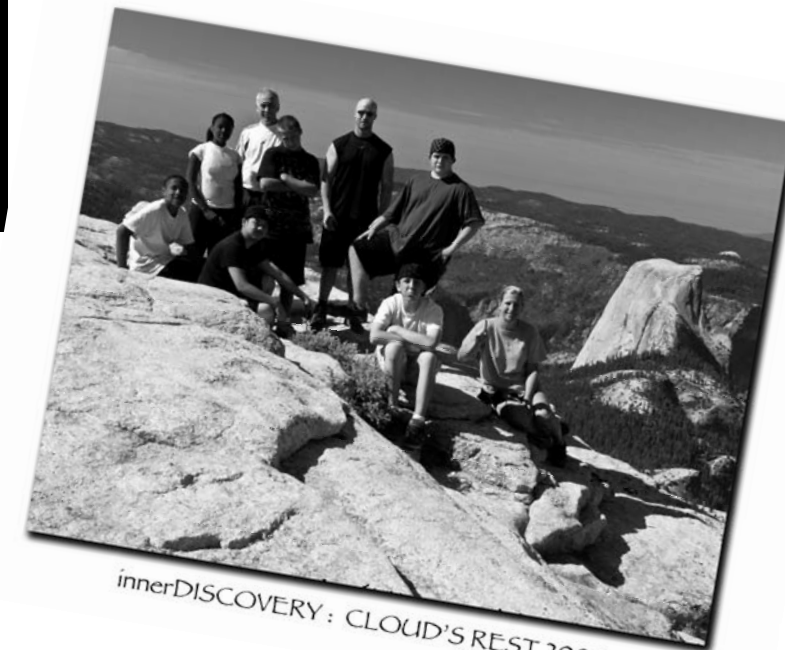
To receive a high school diploma, students must successfully pass both the Mathematics and English/Language Arts sections of the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE). Students may take the CAHSEE multiple times beginning in the 10th grade. In order to pass the CAHSEE a student is required to demonstrate mastery of statewide academically rigorous content standards in Mathematics and English/Language Arts. Students who do not pass the CAHSEE, but complete all other high school graduation requirements may receive a Certificate of Completion.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: CAHSEE Tutoring is available at the following sites: **one. Business Leadership Academy, one.Ethics, one.Discover, one.Choice, one.Manteca, one.Expressions and one.Lodi** on Tues. & Thurs. 1:30-3:30 p.m. Please check with your teacher for details or call (209)468-9210.

Maurice Gaston, Julina Batieste, Marlowe Burgess, Nick Laughlin, Brian Yang, Steve Lebkowsky, Adam Rosas, Steven Crawford and Wendy Frink on Cloud's Rest in Yosemite. (Pictured right)



BIKES, HIKES AND BEARS...OH MY!



innerDISCOVERY: CLOUD'S REST 2009

one.® WITH NATURE AT LAKE TAHOE

Forty-eight students, teachers, and staff traveled to Lake Tahoe on September 29, 2009 for this year's Honor Quest. The Honor Quest is a two-day camp-out for students who have been in the San Joaquin County Office of Education Alternative Program for one or more years.

All Quests have unique challenges for the participants to overcome, and the Honor Quest was no exception. The first leg of the Honor Quest was a twenty-six mile bike ride from Squaw Valley to Homewood and back to Squaw Valley. Participants followed the bike trail along the beautiful Truckee River to Tahoe City before heading south along the west shore to Homewood. There everyone enjoyed a hot chili dog lunch and well deserved rest before making the return trip. That evening around the campfire at Camp Richardson everyone shared their personal reflections about the ride.

Jesus Leon (pictured above) from **one.Expressions** said, "The food was really good, and I like communicating with other people."

The following day after breaking camp, the well rested campers set off on a hike through the Tallac Historic Site, run by the U. S. Forest Service. Tallac contains three historic properties that once belonged to the Baldwin, Pope and Heller families. The houses, built between 1894 and 1923, offered a glimpse of the lifestyles of Tahoe's early rich and famous.

We then continued our hike to the Taylor Creek Visitor Center where we followed the Rainbow Trail to the Stream Profile Chamber. The Chamber provides a view of the stream environment allowing visitors to study a diverted section of Taylor Creek through a panel of aquarium-like windows. The 1/4 mile trail that goes from the Visitor Center to the Stream Profile Chamber wound through the meadow and marsh by Taylor Creek where we encountered a Black Bear sow and her two cubs fishing for the Kokanee Salmon migrating up the creek to spawn. Clearly this was the highlight for all of us.

Jeff Bisby from **one.Expressions** stated, "If there is another Quest like the one in Tahoe, I will sign up for it. I really enjoyed the time that we all spent up there!"