



**Back To School** There is a definite magic to the first days back at school. Teachers are fresh and fired up, students are excited to see their friends, freshman parents nervously send their kids off to the first day of high school, and families welcome back the routine of the school year. These upcoming months are full of potential and the hope of all is that each child will have a great year. With all of the careful planning, late night discussions, and just plain worrying, it is important for each of us to remember that the teenage years are a time of intense change. A lot of things can happen in 9 months of teenage life. Just consider the dramas that can play out in one day! To all parents, I wish that the difficulties of this new school year are very few and I hope the proud parent moments are many and satisfying. There is no way to know all this year has in store, however I do offer this advice: enjoy the ride because it is all too brief and prepare to be surprised!



**Going Green.** To save money and conserve resources CCA is doing more communicating online. Therefore items such as Back To School Night letters, quarterly report cards, etc. will be sent home via email. Please be sure to keep your contact information current and contact us if you have any troubles receiving information.

**Budget.** I wish there was good news to report. Unfortunately the situation in California has not improved. In fact, California has now slipped to the ranking of 50th in the country in annual per pupil spending. Yes, last place. The good news is that CCA is still able to avoid eliminating any programs due to the good work of our CCA Foundation. As always, I want to encourage you to make your annual donations to the Foundation but in addition there is also an e-script opportunity that generates ongoing revenue for the school yet costs you nothing. Please visit the Foundation website, fill out the forms, and that's it! 5 minutes of your time and the school reaps ongoing financial benefits. Please visit the CCA Foundation website for further details at <http://canyoncrestfoundation.org/>

**Envision, What is it?** There is often confusion about the structure of Envision. Envision consists of all the regular daytime Visual and Performing Arts classes. In addition, under the umbrella of the Envision program is the after school Conservatory. There is often concern that when donating money to Envision, the majority will go to the Conservatory program. Actually the opposite is true, since the daytime classes are much larger and therefore demand the vast majority of the funds to function. Since CCA has no Band Boosters, Theater Boosters, etc. your CCA Foundation Donation is critical in sustaining our outstanding daytime classes as well as the Conservatory. Envision is a groundbreaking program that has garnered many awards and something we are all proud of here at CCA.



Rock Band is one of the many Envision classes at CCA.

**Does Your Child Need a Tutor?** CCA Tutors are available for most subject areas and it is free. For a full tutoring schedule go to <http://www2.sduhsd.net/cc/academics/>

The CCA Principal to Parent Bulletin has been created by Brian Kohn, Principal of CCA, as a way to provide brief and timely information to CCA parents. Details regarding most topics discussed can be found on the CCA Website. <http://www2.sduhsd.net/cc/>

