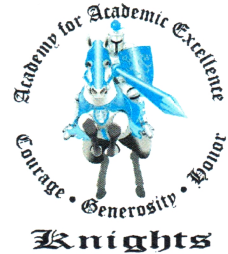


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The beginning of the year is truly an exciting time for both families and our Academy for Academic Excellence staff. Students and staff embrace the opportunity to start afresh and continually improve their personal practice in the upcoming year. It is with that same vitality of mind that I write to you this summer. Our Administrative Team just got done meeting with a number of families that are new to the AAE and let me just say, we are excited to have wonderful additions to our AAE family.



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Looking back at the accomplishments of this past year, I am humbled at the quality of student and staff that I am able to work with each day. We have successfully implemented a year of partnership with VVC, offering our students concurrent enrollment through the use of our high-tech Ramp Up room. AFJROTC earned the Silver Star award once again, accumulating over 16,000 hours of community service. We are adding two additional AP class offerings for the 2017-2018 school year with AP European History and AP World History. Based on preliminary results, AAE 11th graders finished out the year with an increase of 10% on the CAASPP Math Assessment. Of those same individuals, 92% of them were reported At/Above Standard on the ELA portion of that state assessment. These results mean that when said students enter college they will go directly into credit-bearing, college coursework in English, without any need for taking placement tests or remedial classwork. As if that were not enough, our graduation rate was once again 100%! Reflecting on such accomplishments only solidifies the validity of being voted, "Best of the Desert."

I look forward to seeing all that our AAE Knights will accomplish during the 2017-2018 school year.

Enjoy the balance of your summer.

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