

2001-02

Accountability Report

ICDA Charter High School

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1 Principal's Highlights

ICDA Charter High School experienced a positive and productive fourth year. The staff and the students worked very hard to produce student successes and school accomplishments. Student enrollment increased to 332 students and many new programs were added to assist students in achieving success. Some of the accomplishments of the 2001-2002 school year are noted below.

- ICDA received accreditation from the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges.
- ICDA has pursued an in depth strategic planning process for two years. Staff members have projects to respond to these strategic goals to include all stakeholders.
- Washoe County Compliance found ICDA to be satisfactory in the Student Performance category. ICDA was commended for timely provision of a very thorough compliance report. All prior year monitoring suggestions regarding curriculum had been implemented.
- The State of Nevada Department of Education, noting a few minor recommendations, stated that "... the I Can Do Anything Charter High School in Washoe County School District, Reno, Nevada, was in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations. The Ethnic/Count Day Report presented fairly the pupil enrollment."
- The students of ICDA, like students across the country were scarred by the destruction of 9/11. But on the next day, 9/12, our kids grabbed flags and lead business neighbors in a display of spontaneous patriotism. Our kids sang the Star Spangled Banner and marched up and down the street waving flags and gathered donations for children who lost their parents and loved ones.
- The ICDA Performing Arts program debuted this year as the first Northern Nevada Performing Arts program and staged two productions, "Cinderella" and "Ambitions". ICDA students wrote the "Ambitions" script.

2 Progress Toward Goals

Goal 1: Increase the number of high school graduates

Graduation

- ICDA graduated 38 students. Of those graduates, 94.74% passed the High School Proficiency Exam. Five of the graduates were juniors who graduated early.
- 32% of ICDA graduates were awarded scholarships. A total of \$142,500.00 in scholarship funding was awarded.
- 35% of this year's graduating class received the Millennium Scholarship Award. Five of the 38 students attended all four years of high school at ICDA. 57% of the graduates planned to go on to higher education. 7% of these graduates entered military service. 36% joined the workforce full-time.
- The percentage of ICDA seniors graduating has increased by 8% in four years.

Goal 2: Increase student awareness of technology

- ICDA made strides this year in integrating technology and curriculum. Nine new computers were purchased for Accelerated Reader via Bubble funding.
- ICDA created the AR Cart. The AR Cart has a computer and projector that allows a teacher to read from a book while having the book's page

projected on the screen. It is useful for teacher training in the use of the Accelerated Reader and Accelerated Math programs, as well.

- 100% of ICDA teachers received certification in PowerPoint as one of their in-service programs this year.
- English and Biology continue to be offered as a technology-rich, team-taught class that incorporates English skills into the Biology classes and Biology topics and field trips into the English class.

Goal 3: Provide an innovative teaching environment

School Environment

ICDA has identified projects through the strategic planning process to increase the quality of the learning environment.

Those goals follow:

- Develop a character development program.
- Continue to create an environment that supports student achievement, safety, and positive decision-making habits.
- Include safety training in student orientation and create a safety film featuring our students.
- Increase awareness of involvement in community and employability grade with the business community.
- Create a plan to complete high school and show annual progress for every student.

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3. School Statistics

	School	District
2001-02 Enrollment	332	57592
Annual Enrollment Change	32.0%	3.3%
Transiency Rate	86.0%	26.2%
Average Daily Attendance (ADA)	84.9%	94.6%
Student: Counselor Ratio	332:1	459:1
Habitual Discipline Problem Students	0	33

Student Suspensions and Expulsions

Number of *Incidents* of Disciplinary actions for the following reasons:

	School	All HS	District
Violence to Students:	4	635	1693
Violence to Staff:	1	13	50
Possession of Cont. Substance:	15	243	301
Sale/ Dist of Cont. Substance:	0	14	23
Possession of Alcohol	3	191	205
Possession of Weapons	1	46	100

Dropout Rates

Grade	School	District
9th	6.9%	3.1%
10th	6.9%	2.6%
11th	7.6%	1.8%
12th	17.5%	6.2%
Overall	9.5%	3.4%

Retention by Grade

Grade	School	District
9th	26.0%	18.1%
10th	5.0%	21.3%
11th	0.0%	21.0%

Classroom Information

Average Class Size	School	District
English	16	23
Math	18	25
Science	18	26
Social Studies	15	25

Classes taught by teachers outside

their Area of License	School	District
English	0%	0%
Math	0%	1%
Science	0%	2%
Social Studies	0%	0%

About our Teachers

Degrees	School	District
Bachelors	73%	46%
Masters or Higher	26%	54%
Experience	School	District
New - 2 years	0%	25%
3 - 10 years	78%	43%
11 - 20 years	17%	22%
21+ years	5%	10%
Teaching in Area of License	100%	99%
Teacher ADA	98.0%	95.3%

4. Special Programs

Participation levels

	School	District
Special Education	12.0%	12.2%
English as a Second Language (ESL)	0.0%	11.4%
Gifted and Talented	0.0%	3.0%
Free/ Reduced Meals *	20.0%	32.4%
Music <input type="checkbox"/>	16.9%	23.9%
Art <input type="checkbox"/>	72.3%	33.8%
Foreign Language <input type="checkbox"/>	0.0%	36.1%

* Estimate based on families applying for and being eligible for free or reduced meals

This is a duplicated count. Students may be enrolled in more than one of these classes. District percentages for these programs include data from Middle and High School only

5. Per - Pupil Expenditures

School Per-Pupil Expenditures by Category

	School	District
Total	\$ 5,695.00	\$ 5,599.05
Instruction	\$ 3,533.00	\$ 3,642.51
Admin (Includes Central and Site categories)	\$ 1,048.00	\$ 557.95
Building Operation	\$ 729.00	\$ 619.94
Staff Support	\$ 19.00	\$ 228.35
Student Support	\$ 561.00	\$ 550.30

6. District Sources of Revenue *

Percent of Total Revenue

State Sources	79.5%
Federal Sources	5.8%
Opening Balances	9.7%
Local Sources	5.0%

* Note: Excludes Food Services, Adult Education, and Technology SB 482

7. Remedial Education Funds

Sources	Amount	
	School	District
Title 1 - Basic	\$ -	\$ 4,707,472.42
21st Century	\$ -	\$ 2,291,668.38
C.S.R.D.	\$ -	\$ 245,484.75
SB 585 Remed Ed	\$ 85,706.00	\$ 1,007,568.11
Gear Up	\$ -	\$ 35,888.00
NV Reading Excellence Act	\$ -	\$ 81,043.35

8. Professional Development Funds

	School	District
Grant-funded through Goals 2000, Eisenhower, RPDP, and the NW Early Literacy Intervention Program	\$ -	\$ 2,703,141.33

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COURSES OFFERED AT ICDA

Adv Art History	Fabrics in Art	Office Experience
Adv Biology	Fitness & Wellness	Orientation
Adv Comp Apps	Geometry 1	Perform Dance
Aerobics	Health	Photography 1
Algebra 1,2	Hip Hop	Playwriting
Amer Gov 1, 2	Hist of Entertainment	Printmaking
Art History	Ind Math	Scien Research
Art in Cultures	Ind Social Studies	Sculpture 1,2
Art Workshop	Ind. Math	Senior Seminar
Ballet 1, 2	Int & Adv Ballet	Shakespeare 2
Beg & Int Jazz Dance	Integ Science 1, 2	Short Lit Works 1, 2
Beg Dance	Intro to Computers	Show Choir
Biology 1, 2	Intro to Shakespeare	Sm Bus Mgmt
Career Exploration	Intro to Speech	Social Relations
Community Ser	Intro to Trades	Solo Ensem 1, 2
Compostion	Intro TV Prod	Special Events
Computer Repair 1, 2	Jazz	Stra/Read/WritA, B
Creat Combustion	Jazz Choir	Student Aide
Creative Writing	Junior Seminar	Summer Seminar
Cultural Geog	Lang & Grammar	Superv Curr PE
Dance Company	Learning Center	Tap
Dance Style	Life Skills	Theatre Company
Dialects	Lit & Film	TMCC Dual Crdt
Directed Study	Math Invest 1	US History 1, 2
Dram Literature	Math Prof Skills	Voice
Drama	Math/Alg Invst 1,2	Web Page Design
Ear Train & Rhythm	Music Theory 1, 2	Word Processing
Employ Seminar	Myths & Legends	Work Experience
English 1-6	NovaNet	World History 1, 2
English Prof	Off Campus	World Lit & Comp
Environ Science	Office Experience	Yearbook

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9. Student Achievement

Iowa Test of Educational Development (ITED)

10th Grade Fall 2002

The ITED is given in grade ten in the WCSD. The National Average Rank is 50 with 25% of students traditionally scoring in each quarter

Participation Rate	
School	District
95.4%	97.6%

Number of Students Tested	Reading			Language			Math			Science		
	Mean Natl Percentile Rank	Percent Scoring in Top ¼	Percent Scoring in Bottom ¼	Mean Natl Percentile Rank	Percent Scoring in Top ¼	Percent Scoring in Bottom ¼	Mean Natl Percentile Rank	Percent Scoring in Top ¼	Percent Scoring in Bottom ¼	Mean Natl Percentile Rank	Percent Scoring in Top ¼	Percent Scoring in Bottom ¼
65	37	8.3%	21.7%	31	7.8%	39.2%	31	3.3%	44.3%	33	10.2%	42.4%

District

4392	53	28.0%	20.0%	51	23.1%	23.0%	50	24.1%	24.5%	57	27.6%	19.3%
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Graduation Information

Class of 2002	Standard Diploma		Adjusted Diploma		Cert. of Attendance	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
	28	80.0%	3	8.6%	3	8.6%

District	2477	80.9%	168	5.5%	131	4.3%
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College Entrance Exams

ACT		SAT		
% tested	Score	% tested	Verb	Math
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

District

40%	22.1	32%	533	544
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State

29%	21.3	46%	509	518
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National

39%	20.8	46%	504	516
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High School Proficiency Exam

Class of	Percent who PASSED Each Section of the HSPE		
	READING	WRITING	MATH
2002	100.0%	100.0%	91.2%
2001	100.0%	100.0%	78.6%
2000	100.0%	100.0%	77.8%

District

2002	99.9%	99.9%	95.8%
2001	99.9%	99.9%	97.7%
2000	99.2%	99.2%	96.2%

Advanced Placement Classes

Number of Subjects Offered	Number of Students	Number of Exams Given	Average # of Exams per Student	Total AP Scholars
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

District

18	2151	2272	1.97	99
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State

N/A	N/A	7023	1.85	291
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Post-Secondary Information

	School	District Total
Percent of HS graduates enrolled in Remedial Classes in the University and Community College System of Nevada (UCCSN)	34.3%	20.4%

10 Technology Use at School

Level 1 Standard Computers for Instructional Use

School Library Internet Access	Yes
Computer Lab Internet Access	Yes
Classrooms with Internet Access	100%
Student: Computer Ratio	5 : 1

Through grants, added the following to the ICDA computer network:

- New high-speed hubs (2)
- 9 new computers in the library
- Additional Accelerated Reader assessments
- New library printer and 5 new color classroom printers
- 100% of classrooms have access to E-mail, Internet, NovaNet, Star Reader, Accelerated Reader and Accelerated Math access
- Phased out most 486-based computers to 2%



11 Parent/ Community Involvement

- Funded by local businesses and non-profit agencies, thirteen students who participated in the Creative Combustion program won awards at the Nevada History Day competition and competed in Washington DC for the National History Day National Championships. Jessica Campbell won Most Outstanding Project for the State of Nevada at the national level.
- Junior League of Reno partnered with the school for Career Day activities, sponsored a school-wide prom for all ICDA students, and sponsored ICDA students to decorate 50 ornaments for the Nevada State Christmas Tree in Washington, D.C. displayed at Capital Mall.
- Stephanie Tau won Northern Nevada Student of the Year. Sixteen students learned to write grants, and 2 won grants for their art from the Sierra Arts Council. Through collaboration with UNR and Nevada Works, 10 students received vocational skills in special events planning. This program was another first for ICDA and the state of Nevada.
- Approximately 15% of ICDA students received credit for community service. These locations include Red Cross, the Food Bank, Boys and Girls Club, CAAW, Hearthstone, Veterans Hospital, and numerous other non-profit and service organizations.
- Through \$163,000 funding from the Dissemination Grant, ICDA sponsored, "Riding the Wave of Change: Nevada's First Annual Charter School Conference." ICDA sent 43 people from Nevada's charter school community to the National Charter School Conference in Milwaukee, again with funding from the Dissemination grant. ICDA created a Resource Center web page to advertise the conference and to create a format for the charter school community to exchange information.
- The SageWind campus was added this year. ICDA sponsors two teachers to provide academic services, including NovaNet, to students enrolled in the SageWind recovery program.
- At ICDA, Creative Combustion is a program that teaches students to choose creativity over destruction. Creative Combustion students participated in the Reno Anti-Violence Festival, Reno's Revitalization program performing for Senators, Congressman, and the public. Creative Combustion performed for many of the District schools, as well. These students were also invited to participate in the Hug High School Film Festival. One student's film on the Holocaust won 1st place.

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