

# Crescent Valley Parent Organization (CVPO)

AY23-24

## ANNUAL REPORT

We are pleased to publish the annual report for the Crescent Valley Parent Organization (CVPO) for the academic year 23-24. The CVPO has had an eventful and successful year.

After pausing operations prior to the pandemic in 2020, the CVPO was restarted in the Fall of this academic year. Thanks to the careful caretaking by the previous CVPO Board president, André Gatien, this required a minimal amount of work to reinstate the CVPO as a 501c3 with the appropriate federal and state authorities.

One of the first items to address was the election of a set of CVPO officers. In February 2024, we elected four officers to the CVPO Board. Those officers are listed below:

Tze-Yiu Yong - CVPO President  
Stephanie Haines - CVPO Vice-President  
Erika Bako - CVPO Treasurer  
Evelyn Pryor - CVPO Secretary

Given the delayed start of the CVPO, the officers and a small group of interested parents crafted an ambitious yet achievable set of goals to work towards. In collaboration with Principal McKee, the CVPO committed to several items in service of activities that involved supporting teachers and promoting parent and staff relations. Those goals were (1) restart regular CVPO parent and business meetings, (2) participate in a staff appreciation event in the AY23-24 school year and (3) run the spring cycle of the CVPO teacher grant program. The CVPO was able to accomplish all of these goals. There are some brief details on each of them below.



## Objectives of the CVPO

1. To encourage parent interest in and participation at Crescent Valley High School.
2. Promote parent-school relations through the involvement of parent volunteers.
3. Support school activities that involve students, parents and faculty.

The CVPO is a charitable organization under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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1. **CVPO Parent and Business meetings** - Regular meetings began in February 2024 with both a parent and a Board business component in each meeting. Given parent feedback, our final few meetings separated items of parent interest into one meeting (timed for lunchtime, alternating between on-site at the school and online meetings) and a separate meeting for Board business (1st Tuesday of each month on-site in the morning after drop-off).

2. **Staff appreciation event** - the CVPO had to stand up a volunteer signup system before being able to facilitate a staff appreciation event timed with Spring parent teacher conferences (April 18 2024). A picture of everyone's contributions is below!

3. **CVPO teacher grant program** - while the teacher grant program typically has both a fall and a spring cycle, this year because of the timing of the restart of the CVPO, we only ran the spring cycle. In that cycle, we received 9 teacher grant requests from a variety of departments (e.g. World Language, Music, Art and the Library) and were able to fund 7 out of 9 teachers' requests for a total of \$2500. Those requests were for a variety of equipment (e.g. electric bass amp) and classroom materials (e.g. new copies of literary fiction and sheet music from underrepresented composers).

Thank you and have a great summer!



As the school year ends, the CVPO is already planning for the start of next school year! If you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to us at [crescentvalleyparentorg@gmail.com](mailto:crescentvalleyparentorg@gmail.com). You can also look at minutes from our meetings this year on our website <https://cvhs.csd509j.net/parents/cv-parent-organization/>. If you are interested in donating to the CVPO so that we can continue to support teachers at Crescent Valley, scan this QR code to be taken to our PayPal donation page (no account needed). Thank you!