

# News and Notes - Walden Academy

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## Walden CARES

- \*Cooperation\**
- \*Assertion\**
- \*Responsibility & Respect\**
- \*Empathy\**
- \*Self-Control\**



## Upcoming Events

- ◆ 4/9: Board Mtg. @ 5:30 PM at GCOE Board Rm.
- ◆ 4/10: Talent Show @ 1:45 PM
- ◆ 4/15-4/19: Spring Break
- ◆ 5/6-5/10: STAR Testing
- ◆ 5/29: End of Year Celebration

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## Director's News

Thank you to all of the parents who drove for our Glenn County Science Fair field trip! We would not have been able to take part without you.

**Spring Break is April 15-19.**

### Bike Rodeo

Walden Academy will be hosting its first Bike Rodeo on April 25 at 9 AM. The event will help teach students about bike safety. To participate, students must bring a bike and a helmet. All bikes must have proper locks. **We are looking for six volunteers to help with the event. Double hours will be given to those who help out - please contact Mrs. Benz if you are interested.**

### Work it Out Wednesdays

We ask that volunteers not work in classrooms during the test prep time and teachers will hang signs on their doors to help alert volunteers.

### One Call Now

We have set up a phone call system that will help us alert families in case of emergencies. Last week, we tested it with staff and with the families of our students who received attendance awards.

**STAR testing is May 6-10.**

### Common Core Standards

By now, you have likely heard about the Common Core Standards that

California has adopted. The standards are being implemented in all K-12 schools throughout the state. This year and last, Walden began implementing the standards with our Treasures and Everyday Math curriculum. In the next year, we will continue implementation with professional development with our teachers. In 2014-2014, all California students will take standardized assessments based on the Common Core Standards.

### 2013-2014 Enrollment Update

We've had a very successful enrollment season. Our kindergarten class is full with a waitlist. Based on re-enrollment responses, all of our other classes are full too except for first and fourth grades next year. If you know a first or fourth grader who would like to come to Walden, please refer them. You'll earn ten volunteer hours for doing so!

### Upcoming Enrichment

4/3: Drama & Art  
4/10: Talent Show  
4/24: Drama & Spanish  
5/1: Drama & Art  
5/8: Drama & USDA

## ***Go River Hawks!***