



COMBS HIGH SCHOOL

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Principal.....Brenda Mayberry
 Assistant PrincipalVanessa Whitlark
 Assistant PrincipalJames Denton
 Athletic Director.....James Denton
 Counselor Michael Vezzosi
 Counselor Dr. Melissa Venezuela

THE CAMPUS

The following facilities are available on campus: a library media center that holds 21,000 books and 70 computers. We have a class A sports facility that includes two gymnasiums with indoor basketball courts, a football stadium, tennis courts, soccer field, 2 baseball fields, and 2 softball fields. The school includes and a smart board in every class room and a television studio on campus.

The Facts – 2009-2010

School Enrollment: 745
 9th grade enrollment: 269
 10th grade enrollment: 279
 11th grade enrollment: 197

Demographics-2009

Caucasian: 429
 Hispanic: 223
 African American: 48
 Asian: 13
 Native American: 11
 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Island: 10
 Two or more races: 11

School Code:

School Colors: Red, Black and Silver

School Mascot: Coyote

Website: <http://www.combscoyotes.org>

THE SCHOOL

Combs High School is the first high school in the J.O. Combs School District. It opened its doors August 2009 to freshmen and sophomore classes. In August 2011 our student body will include 9th – 12th grade classes. Our first graduating class will be in May 2012. In our short history we have established ourselves as a “Performing Plus” school.

THE DISTRICT

Mission Statement: Developing a community of empowered learners for the 21st century.

Vision Statement: We are a community of learners collaborating to ensure maximum academic and social growth for all students. We utilize research-based practices and strategies delivered by highly competent employees who are committed to excellence in an atmosphere of mutual respect and trust.

J.O. Combs Unified School District consists of four elementary schools, one middle school, and one high school.

It was in 1949 that area residents began the steps necessary to form a local school district. By 1954, the community children attended school in two barracks that had been purchased from Osborn School District and situated on what was to become the first J.O. Combs Unified School site.

J.O. and Mamie Combs generously donated 5.42 acres of land and the district was subsequently named after Mr. Combs. However, the school was still a part of the Apache Junction School District and didn't become the J.O. Combs Unified School District #44 until 1958. Our first Governing Board Members were Mr. J.O. Combs, Mr. Walter P. Gantzel, and Mr. Jack Schnepf.

Over the next four decades, we continued to grow and evolve.

THE COMMUNITY

San Tan Valley is an unincorporated community in northern Pinal County, Arizona. It is located in the Phoenix metropolitan area's southeastern suburbs.

CURRICULUM

The academic program is organized on a block schedule. A full class load is 6 credits. Tuesday and Thursday students attend R1, coyote skills, R2, and R3 classes. Wednesday and Friday students attend S1, coyote skills, S2, and S3 classes. Monday students attend all 6 classes.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

J.O. Combs High School Program
22 Units of Credits

English	4
Math.....	4
Science	3
Social Studies	3
Fine Art or Vocational	1
Electives	7

4 year University Requirements
22 Units of Credits

English	4
Math.....	4
Science	3 (lab science)
Social Studies	3
Fine Art or Vocational	1
Foreign language.....	2(same language)
Electives	5

Students can have 2 deficiencies in requirements but not in the same subject or in math and science.

GRADING SCALE

Grade	Grade Points	Honors/AP Courses
A (100-90)	4.0	5.0
B (89-80)	3.0	4.0
C (79-70)	2.0	3.0
D (69-60)	1.0	1.0
F (59-0)	0.0	0.0

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

AP American Literature
AP Spanish 4
AP Biology
AP Chemistry
AP American/AZ History
AP World History
AP Human Geography
AP U.S. Government Politics
AP Microeconomics and Macroeconomics

INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES

8 th grade Recycling Club
Arizona Ancient Cultures Club
Art Club
Best Buddies
Black Student Union
CHS Band
CHS Concert Choirs
CHS Creative Writing Club
CHS Orchestras
Club: Music Appreciation Club
Combs Baseball Club
Combs Dance team
Computer Program Club
Coyoteers
Coyotes Wrestling Club
Drama
El Club Latino
FFA
Future Business (FBLA)
Glee Club
National Honor Society
National Junior Honor Society
Speech and Debate
Strength and Condition
Student Government 10th
Student Government 11th
Student Government EXC
Student Government 9th