



From the Head of School

## Campus Setting Inspires Learning



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When I first interviewed at Colorado Academy nine years ago, I was asked my thoughts about the school's campus. For any visitor, it is hard not to be impressed by the physical beauty of our school. At the time, a quote came to my mind of the geologist Peter Coney — a colleague of my father's at the University of Arizona: "College campuses are preserves of civilization." I've always loved that line and have quoted it often. We are not a "college campus," but our grounds are not like a normal K-12 school, either.

CA is more than 90 acres of natural beauty — like a park, but we are, in a sense, a preserve of human civilization. We share with students the essential building blocks of human understanding. We build students' understanding

# CA Students To Attend "America's Nobel" Ceremonies

Up to four Colorado Academy students will be chosen to attend the ceremonies for the Neustadt Prize, set for October 21-23, 2015 at the University of Oklahoma Norman campus. Commonly known as "America's Nobel," the prestigious Neustadt Prize is considered one of the most important American awards for literature. In the prize's 45-year history, 30 of its laureates, jurors or finalists have gone on to win a Nobel Prize.

In alternating years, the international literary prize is given for Children's Literature. The NSK Neustadt Prize for Children's Literature is intended to enhance the quality of children's literature by promoting writing that contributes to the quality of their lives. Made possible through the generosity of the Neustadt family (also a CA parent), this award is sponsored by *World Literature Today* and The University of Oklahoma. It is awarded every other year to a living writer with significant achievement, either over a lifetime or in a particular publication. The essential criterion for

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Meschack Asare is winner of this year's Neustadt Prize for Children's Literature. The Prize includes, a replica of an eagle feather cast in silver.

