



1 low, or it was too late in the school year. One parent in particular told me that the charter school  
2 her child recently attended told her she had to leave after failing only one course in her first  
3 semester of ninth grade, earning 2.5 credits at the end of that first semester. Therefore, many of  
4 the parents and students I encountered during enrollment calls were either denied enrollment at  
5 another school, or advised to go elsewhere. I have also spoken with several registrars over the  
6 years I have been in this position, who have told me that they referred several students to NCA,  
7 because they were not successful in passing or attending classes at those schools.  
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9 5. Up until this school year, I personally entered almost all of the incoming high  
10 school student transcripts into our school system. This year, our team of counselors have started  
11 to share in this task, however I still personally confirm all of these entries when cross checking  
12 them against the official transcripts I receive when I request cumulative records. I have seen,  
13 over these years, that what appears to be a very large number of our enrolling students each year,  
14 come in with a large amount of failed classes, causing them to be behind on credits. I have also  
15 seen that instead of having these students repeat the core courses they need to graduate, these  
16 students are allowed to move onto the next level course, as well as taking more electives. Often,  
17 this results in continuous failure. When these students then enroll at NCA, they are often so far  
18 behind, that the likelihood of them being able to catch up on time for their cohort graduation is  
19 very slim.  
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21 6. With the implementation of Grad Point, NCA now has a better chance of getting  
22 these students caught up. I saw a student this year who was in either 9th or 10th grade based on  
23 credits, worked hard enough through his/her credit recovery to catch up enough to graduate on  
24 time. Though Grad Point program is newer to NCA (only in full use for the first time in the  
25 2016-2017 school year), based on that one student alone, the program shows a great increase in  
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our ability to help our students try to catch up. They may not catch up by their cohort, but they are still working towards graduation.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true and corrected and was executed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017, in Reno, Nevada.

  
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