



# CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS RELEASE

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## **School District looking to transform middle school concept**

**LAS VEGAS** – Qualified teachers are encouraged to apply for the new Fremont Professional Development Middle School. The school will launch this fall and provide opportunities for middle school teachers to experience teacher education programs, professional development initiatives, site-based research projects and grant writing.

The decision to transform Fremont Middle School into a professional development school was based upon an application Clark County School District's East Region submitted to the University of Nevada Las Vegas' Joint Governance Board. The school will work as a collaborative effort between the school district and UNLV and provide students with programs such as engineering and communications studies. Additionally, students and teachers will engage in a new academic math program that incorporates hands-on technology.

Representatives from the East Region and UNLV will work together during the selection process to ensure Fremont becomes the model for future professional development schools. Teachers at Fremont will begin their 2008-2009 assignments a week early in order to develop strategies that emphasize team work and the implementation of shared leadership. All teachers will be assigned laptops and will communicate with UNLV professors to discuss such topics as lesson plans, student activity centers and relevant research websites related to best practices.

More information on Fremont Professional Development Middle School and an application to be considered for employment at the school is available at [www.ccsd.net](http://www.ccsd.net).

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