



DISTRICT G NEWSLETTER



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SUMMER 2011

District G

TOPICS FOR INPUT

- Communication with Teachers
- Advertising and Fundraising
- Cost-effective Support of our Schools

UPCOMING PARENT MEETINGS

(3rd Wednesdays, 9:15 a.m.)

September 21 - Vegas PBS, 3050 E. Flamingo

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

June 7, 2011, 4:00 p.m.

June 23, 2011, 4:00 p.m.

July 14, 2011, 4:00 p.m.

July 28, 2011, 4:00 p.m.

August 11, 2011, 4:00 p.m.

August 25, 2011, 4:00 p.m.

Edward A. Greer Education Center
2832 E. Flamingo Road, Board Room
Las Vegas, NV 89121

SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS:

June 8, 2011, 4:00 p.m.

Community Linkage Meeting

Vegas PBS, Room 102

3050 E. Flamingo Road

Las Vegas, NV 89121

WORK SESSION MEETINGS:

July 13, 2011, 8:00 a.m.

August 3, 2011, 8:00 a.m.

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SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION

June 20, 2011 – July 8, 2011

and

July 11, 2011 – July 28, 2011

For more information you can call 855-9751 or
go to: <http://ccsd.net/schools/summerschool/>

CLASS OF 2011 GRADUATION SCHEDULE

For a complete listing of schools, locations,
dates, and times for 2011 graduation
ceremonies, go to:

<http://ccsd.net/students/graduationSchedule.php>



Greetings to our families in District G,

Thank you for your academic work with your children during this school year. It is great to see the many positive results of your efforts and support at home.

Thank you, also, for your review of “A Look Ahead,” the reform blueprint you received by e-mail in May.

It will take a steady effort, working together as a community, to build from that blueprint. The end result should be a lasting structure that ensures that each of our schools is a great place to be for any student, with any potential, and any future dream. This will require that every classroom is a great place to be a great teacher. It will require that every school is a great place to make the decisions that are appropriate for the students and families of that school, supported by a cost-efficient central office and solid, steady leadership.

Nevada ranks last in the United States in “Chance for Success,” a rank of many different obstacles, including academic failures and also poverty and other challenges for children. Education is clearly our hope of pulling up.

Nevada ranks 39th in the nation in K-12 student achievement. This is one among many hopeful signs that here in Nevada, education is the best investment, the best way to bring up our children’s chance for success. Education is the way up. More of our children can succeed.

As we work from the blueprint over the summer, we need your input regarding:

- *Making teacher and family communication easier*
- *Advertising, endorsements, and other school fundraising issues*
- *Trimming the school district into a cost-effective support system for schools*

I hope you will share your opinion by e-mail, or give me a call.

Sincerely,

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"A Look Ahead" presented to School Board

Superintendent Dwight D. Jones presented a document titled, "[A Look Ahead Phase 1: Preliminary Reforms Report](#)," at the May 26, 2011, meeting of the CCSD Board of Trustees. As indicated in a [news release](#), the goal of "A Look Ahead" is to improve student performance, which closes achievement gaps and ensures all students are "ready by exit."

Cimarron-Memorial High School Robotics Team Takes Third Place in World Competition

Student team leader Cody Wall receives Championship Dean's List Award

The High Rollers 987, Cimarron-Memorial High School's robotics team, recently competed in the *FIRST* World Championship in St. Louis, Missouri where it placed third overall in the world against 17 other countries. Additionally, Team 987 won first place in its division, competing against 87 teams. Teams compete to build and program robots to perform prescribed tasks against a field of competitors. *FIRST* stands for: For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology.

Along with the awards earned by the High Rollers 987, the team's president and lead programmer, student Cody Wall, won the Championship Dean's List Award, the highest honor provided to a *FIRST* World Championship event participant. Wall was among only 10 winners of 3,500 nominees from 59,000 participants world-wide.

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Family Enrichment Day

The Clark County School District hosted Family Enrichment Day on May 14, 2011. The fun filled, learning enriched event supports student success in school. Family resources were provided by the District and community



Pictured above is Deputy Superintendent Pedro Martinez and students.

partners that gave families strategies they could use at home with their children. This event was a great opportunity for parents and children to participate in free workshops that met specific academic needs, with many of the sessions being provided in Spanish and English. The event was held at the University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV).



Pictured above is Paloma Tobar, student ballet folklorico dancer from Wengert Elementary performing at the event.

Enriching students and families creates advancement in knowledge and provides the tools parents are looking for to assist their children. The investment of time can often be a balancing act for families, but the goal of graduation and a diploma in hand takes commitment by the entire family. The partnership among student, parent and teachers is the perfect combination for academic achievement, and studies show that engaging the entire family makes that so.

Clark County School District Budget Information

As the Legislative session moves forward, information will be provided in an effort to keep parents, employees, taxpayers and students apprised of financial information affecting the District. For key items of interest in the areas of finance, budget and capital programs for the Clark County School District, visit <http://www.ccsd.net/directory/finance/>

44th Annual Student Photography Contest

The 44th Annual CCSD Student Photography Contest, the longest running student photography contests in Clark County, culminated with an awards ceremony to honor winning student photographers. The winning entries, which consisted of both digital and traditional photographs, were showcased in a gallery at the event. Additionally, there were prizes for all place winners, including a digital camera that went to the Best of Show winner. The photographs are currently on display through the end of the school year, in the lobby of Vegas PBS, located at 3050 E. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas. Below is a link to the Annual Student Photography Contest video <http://tv.ccsd.net/watch?v=E1Jlqgi70IPH>

District Communications

We invite you to receive CCSD news releases to keep you aware of some of the great things happening at CCSD. If you would like to participate, please email llnary@interact.ccsd.net.

The Nevada Growth Model

On August 15, 2011, the state of Nevada will change the way it views student achievement. On this date, the results of the [Nevada Growth Model](#) will be published. The model measures each student's growth in achievement over time.

Receive Updates on the 2011 Regular Session of the Nevada Legislature

[Receive Updates on the 2011 Regular Session of the Nevada Legislature.](#) The Clark County School District is tracking the bills that impact education during the 2011 Regular Session of the Nevada Legislature. If you wish to receive information on these bills, please visit http://ccsd.net/directory/cgr/legislative_updates.php and sign up to receive e-mail updates during the session.