



DISTRICT G NEWSLETTER



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District G

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2008 SCHOOL YEAR

09/01/08..... Labor Day
09/15/08-10/15/08..... Hispanic Heritage Month
09/22/08..... First Day of Fall

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REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

September 11, 2008 4:00 p.m.

September 25, 2008 4:00 p.m.

The above Board meetings are held at:

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

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING:

Work Session

September 3, 2008 9:00 a.m.

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

DISTRICT G PAC MEETING:

September 10, 2008 9:15 a.m.

East Region Office

Corner of Eastern/Vegas Valley

HOMEWORK HOTLINE – 799-5111

Monday – Thursday 3:30p.m. – 5:30p.m.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Operation Crime Free Schools

TIP HOTLINE: 799-0228

Call the school police to report suspicious activity at your school. You can remain anonymous.

Dear PAC Members:

How exciting a new school year has begun, 2008-09, and after visiting all the schools in my area, over the last 3 days, I can say that professionalism, organization, and educational skills are abundant in CCSD schools in District G! I had the opportunity to visit with almost every one of the 41 principals that are tasked with educating the tens of thousands of students in District G. Every school I walked into was busy nurturing children, taking kindergarten students on tours of the school, beginning classroom organization and specific educational assignments. The organization at each school was outstanding. Some middle schools had students that had not received the necessary immunization; but that was the only challenge I witnessed.

Our first PAC meeting will be held on September 10th at 9:15 a.m. at the East Region Office. PLEASE ensure that a parent from each school is in attendance. Topics for discussion will be: budget cuts...now and in the future, student enrollment and state funding, postponement of the 2008 bond, our 14th empowerment schools update, naming of the Northeast High School process, Rundle's sister school update, opening of the new East Career and Technical Academy, success of the CORE CEAB at Del Sol High School, update on ParentLink, new principals in District G, safety concerns, and of course we will calendar our future PAC topics of the year. Please bring your ideas for discussion. Any other topics you would like addressed, please contact me.

As the new school year begins, I hope those of you that are "seasoned" parents of CCSD and your individual schools will reach out to new parents of the district and your schools to encourage them to become a part of our educational process. Parents are the KEY to a successful student! As I toured the schools, I noticed parents that need a friend and support in their all-important career as a parent. PTA and parents groups are a successful way of reaching out to families.

All of you should have received the *Back To School Reporter*. Please keep this publication close by for all the phone numbers and many of the answers to your questions throughout the year. I hope ALL parents are now familiar with and are using ParentLink. Every school now has the capability of communicating with parents through their phones. Many have shared with me their appreciation of this updated linkage system.

My goal as a trustee is to ensure that each and every student and their family has access to an educational system that allows each student to meet their potential. They must also be supported to increase their knowledge and prepare to become successful members of our community.

Thank you for your continued support, and please feel free to contact me.

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District G Trustee

CCSD Continues to Keep an Eye on the CAP

In 2007, Superintendent Walt Rulffes introduced the “Keep Your Eye on the CAP” initiative. This initiative supports many of the district’s current objectives, which include decreasing the number of drop-outs, increasing the number of graduates, increasing the quality of those graduates and reducing the number of students taking remedial college courses following their high school graduation.

CAP stands for Climate, Achievement, Participation... all vital ingredients in ensuring a student’s successful journey to graduation.

Climate, the first portion of CAP, relates to improving the culture in CCSD and creating a more welcoming atmosphere in which parents, students and teachers can work together to build a better learning environment.

The seeds for Academic **Achievement** are planted at the earliest levels of elementary school. Almost every study conducted about high school dropouts indicates that by the third grade it is possible to predict which students are likely to leave school without a diploma. As students advance into middle and high school it is important that CCSD implement curriculum that increases the rigors of learning and further expands students’ post-graduate options.



Finally, CCSD must continue to make a concerted effort to encourage **Participation** and include the community in the process of improving education. At the heart of this effort is increasing parent involvement by inviting conversation and showing respect to the people who serve as education’s biggest allies.

As a new school year lies ahead, we encourage all Clark County residents and students to continue to “Keep Your Eye on the CAP.”

Food Service Serves Thousands

programs in Nevada, the Clark County School District Food Service Department began serving 171,000 meals a day when the new school year began on August 25.

The centerpiece of this large-scale enterprise is the Central Kitchen, located at 6350 East Tropical. While some workers package meals on a high-speed production line, others prepare student-tested menu items from scratch, using a state-of-the-art cook/chill system that can cook up to 1,000 pounds of ground beef in 19 minutes.

Well known for its efficiency, Food Service prepares 130,000 lunches every day, along with 41,000 breakfasts and 6,500 after-school snacks, growing to 11,500 in September. Cinnamon rolls, produced in quantities averaging 15,000

per day, are part of a complete breakfast that includes milk and juice.

According to Sue Hoggan, Food Service senior supervisor, the school district’s cinnamon rolls are so popular that when an equipment malfunction last year temporarily halted production of the tasty treats, there was nearly an uprising among CCSD students and employees.

For this upcoming school year, Food Service anticipates greater interest in the free and reduced price lunch program (FRL), primarily due to the troubled economy. FRL applications are available at all schools, and Hoggan reminds parents to complete a new application for each school year.

For more information about the Food Services Department, visit www.ccsd.net.

ParentLink Keeps Parents Connected

Research shows that parent involvement is one of the greatest factors in student success. For this reason, CCSD has implemented ParentLink, a new tool that provides parents an opportunity to monitor their child’s progress at school.

ParentLink is a computer-based online system that displays student information in several areas, including attendance, homework assignments, announcements, grades and more. Most of the information is available in both English and Spanish 24 hours a day. Parents can also communicate with school staff thru ParentLink with on a daily or weekly basis. Information can also be accessed by telephone for those without internet access.

To access ParentLink, visit parentlink.ccsd.net or call 799-4433.

300,000 Students Return to School

Orchestrating the first day of school for a district this large is no easy task. Just take a look at some of the numbers the district boasts this year:

- 314,000 – Projected Enrollment 2008-09
- 19,000 – CCSD teachers
- 11 – New Schools Opened in 2008-09
- 347 – Schools in operation
- 1,400 – School buses in operation
- 19 million – Miles district buses will travel
- 14 – Empowerment Schools
- 2 – Exemplary schools under NCLB
- 17 – High Achieving schools under NCLB

