



DISTRICT G

NEWSLETTER



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IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2009 SCHOOL YEAR

- 01/01/09.....New Year's Day
- 01/05/09.....Classes Resume (after Winter Break)
- 01/19/09.....Martin Luther King Birthday Observed (No School)
- 01/23/09.....Districtwide Staff Development Day (No School)

For a complete list of calendar dates access [CCSD 2008-2009 School Calendar](#)

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

- Organization & Regular Board Meeting
January 8, 2009 4:00 p.m.
- January 22, 2009 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 MEETINGS:

- Oath of Office
January 5, 2009 4:00 p.m.
Board Room

Work Session
January 21, 2008 9:00 a.m.
Administrative Center, Room 466
5100 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89146

DISTRICT G PAC MEETING:

- January 14, 2009 9:15 a.m.
East Career & Technical Academy
Lecture Hall
Corner of Vegas Valley & Hollywood Blvd.

Attendance Zone Advisory Commission (AZAC)

For meeting locations and times, visit www.ccsd.net

Dear PAC Members:

What a great educational discussion we had at our December PAC Meeting. Thanks for all who attended and thanks especially to Jhone Ebert for sharing her expertise and knowledge. I know it was nice to know that the standard semester math tests are all available on the CCSD Website for parents and students. I look forward to our January PAC Meeting that will be held at the **East Career and Technical Academy located on the corner of Vegas Valley Drive and Hollywood Boulevard on Wednesday, January 14th at 9:15 a.m. in the Lecture Hall.** The address is: 6705 Vegas Valley Drive, please watch for a reminder and specific directions to the Lecture Hall on **January 12th.** After a brief meeting on District updates and a report from Erin and Sally on AZAC recommendations, we will take a tour of the school. I know you will be impressed with the instruction and facility. Please feel free to invite your friends and neighbors. The East Career and Technical Academy will also be hosting an Open House for the community on January 29th from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. I would hope you would share this invitation with others.

The Board of Trustees had its annual monitoring report on December 11th. 79% of the indicators used to evaluate Student Achievement and ultimately the Superintendent had either increased or remained the same. This is important to note even though there were significant increases in meeting AYP, most of those increases were between 10-12 %. All schools in the district made progress. The Quality Assurance Framework is the tool the Board uses to do this all important monitoring. We all realize there is still a lot of work to do to ensure that each and every child is at grade level; but we are getting closer and if the work can continue we hope to have all children at grade level in 2014, the year the No Child Left Behind Act has required to meet this mandate.

The state and thus the district, are working through the budget issues. Dr. Rulffes has brought to the Board, cuts of 14% for the upcoming school year. These cuts are severe and will affect all of us. Staff is working to try and not have employees lose their jobs by not hiring when someone leaves. This is causing all to work even harder to meet the needs of our students. Cut backs on supplies, books, and tutoring have also occurred. Please recognize these challenges and encourage your fellow parents to work with their students to do their homework and keep in contact with their children's school. We all need to make up the slack and help our students.

Did you enjoy the 'snow day'? Being raised in Idaho, we had 'snow days' built into our schedule; but here in Southern Nevada, it only happens about every 30 years. I hope you took the opportunity to share time with your children and perhaps do some online research on weather. Dr. Rulffes is looking into the makeup day that will take place sometime in the future.

As the semester ends, please encourage students to study for their semester finals, and to keep up on their homework for the next semester. Happy New Year to all of you, and again, I thank you for the opportunity to serve you. I look forward to working with three new Board members and pay a tribute of appreciation to Shirley Barber, Ruth Johnson, and Mary Beth Scow. They have served their community well.

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