



DISTRICT A

NEWSLETTER



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IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2012 SCHOOL YEAR

SCHOOL WILL NOT BE IN SESSION ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

- 11/10/11.....Staff Dev. Day (No School)
- 11/11/11.....Veterans Day (No School)
- 11/24/11.....Thanksgiving Day (No School)
- 11/25/11.....Family Day (No School)

For a complete listing access: <http://ccsd.net/news/calendar/>

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

Thursday, November 10, 2011 – 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 29, 2011 – 4:00 p.m.*

Board meetings are held on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month, unless otherwise *noted:

Edward A Greer Education Center, Board Room
2832 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89121
Access the District's Web site: [CCSD Board Meetings](http://www.ccsd.net/BoardMeetings)

WORK SESSION MEETINGS:

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 – 8:00 a.m.
Edward A. Greer Education Center, Board Room
2832 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89121

SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS:

Wednesday, November 16, 2011 – 3:30 p.m.
(Joint with Audit Advisory Committee)
Edward A. Greer Education Center, Board Room
2832 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89121

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The first semester of the school year has ended, report cards will be coming home soon, and the 2011 year is quickly coming to a close. While students are settled into their classes and schedules, the Board is continuing to tackle issues that will help drive student success. In October, the Board made a decision to keep elementary schools on the 9-month calendar. While we did keep the 9-month calendar, we came to the conclusion that we need to revise our policy to reflect the stabilized enrollment and the slowdown in growth. Although each individual school has their share of drop off, pick up, lunch, and other special situations, as always, our school employees are handling these situations with professionalism.

I want to thank everyone who attended the October 13, Mega PAC Meeting at Valley High School to hear about the new initiatives coming to the District. During the meeting, each attendee was provided with an electronic responder to answer questions such as, how and when parents and other community members attend CCSD meetings. What was brought to our attention was that most attendees would prefer a combined meeting including District administrators along with their Trustee. Superintendent Jones was in attendance along with Dr. Ken Turner, Special Assistant to the Superintendent, which presented the Nevada Growth Model. To see a very interesting example of moving to the right corner of the grid go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jbkSRLYSojo&feature=related>, this will show you how plotting the data will provide growth and show you in what area.

If you have never attended a Mega PAC meeting, I would highly encourage you to do so. It is really a great wealth of information. Due to the response of this meeting, the Board has plans to hold an additional Mega PAC meeting in the spring. Further information pertaining to future Mega Pac meetings will be available after the first of the year.

OPEN ENROLLMENT – Open enrollment for the 2012-2013 school year is slated to begin later this month. Open enrollment is a great way to find a school for your student that may be a better fit for your family, learning style, or a way to find a program that will truly draw your student in.

Have a great November,

Deanna Wright

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Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success. ~Author Unknown



School Matters

The next "School Matters" airs Thursday, November 3, 2011, from 8-9 p.m. on Vegas PBS, Ch. 10. The one-hour live broadcast will focus on enrollment levels and how the District balances class size, based on those numbers. Another major topic will be the ways in which the Board of Trustees reaches out to the parents and the community.

The scheduled panelists are CCSD Trustees Chris Garvey and Deanna Wright, Superintendent Dwight D. Jones and Deputy Superintendent Pedro Martinez. Jessica Moore of KSNV Channel 3 News will host the program.

Click [here](#) to submit your question(s) in advance.

Inside Education Overview

Clark County School District, with its 352 schools, is the fifth largest school district in the United States. *Inside Education* takes viewers into Las Vegas area schools and classrooms, to see how teachers teach and children learn. Host Dave Sheehan and reporter Desiree Duncan provide key insights into the issues that shape area schools from national initiatives like "No Child Left Behind" to local interests like full-day kindergarten. For more information [click here](#).

American Education Week November 13-19, 2011

American Education Week celebrates the accomplishments of public education as well as those who contribute to these accomplishments. It began in 1919 when the National Education Association and the American Legion discovered 25 percent of the country's World War I draftees were illiterate and 9 percent were physically unfit.

The conventions of both organizations adopted resolutions of support for a national effort to raise public awareness of the importance of education. Two years later the first official celebration of American Education Week took place in schools across the United States.

Trustee Lorraine Alderman held her first informal event called "Making Connections"



Trustee Lorraine Alderman hosted an opportunity for residents in the south central part of the valley to meet with her in an informal setting to discuss topics of interest related to the Clark County School District (CCSD).

Community members stopped by to visit with Trustee Alderman on October 12, 2011, at Einstein Bros. Bagels.

The "Making Connections" time was set aside for constituents to get to talk with their Trustee in a casual setting. Trustee Alderman hopes to host similar events at other locations within her District.

"By meeting in a neighborhood, I want to reach residents near where they live or work," said Trustee Alderman. "It provides an opportunity for people to drop by without an appointment, and if they find this initial effort beneficial, I plan to hold similar events in other neighborhood during the months ahead."

Valley High School Forensics Team 2011



Valley High School Forensics Team Wins Top Award

Valley High School's forensics team earned the 2010-2011 Leading Chapter Award in the Golden Desert district. It's the highest honor that the National Forensic League can bestow upon a chapter. This year Valley was one of only 107 to receive the Leading Chapter Award. Tillie Torres is the team's faculty advisor.

Partnership Program Honors Benefactors

The Clark County School District (CCSD) School-Community Partnership Program honored more than 700 businesses and organization for their contributions made during the 2010-2011 school year. A record of more than \$22 million in-kind and financial donations was provided to CCSD. The annual recognition event was held October 13, 2011, at the Mirage Las Vegas.

2011 Middle School Student Electronic Photo Contest

Students are encouraged to participate in the Middle School Student Electronic Photo Contest. The deadline is Friday, November 11, 2011. For guidelines and more information visit <http://ccsd.net/news/Students/2011-10-03/255>

Palo Verde High School Student Receives Award



*Palo Verde High School
student Brook Wilson*

Palo Verde High School student Brook Wilson received the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Silver Valor Award on September 27, 2011. Wilson saved the life of a child who had fallen into a pool.



School Matters

El próximo "School Matters" será emitido el jueves, 3 de noviembre, 2011, de 8-9 p.m. en Vegas PBS, canal 10. La emisión en vivo de una hora se centrará en los niveles de inscripción y cómo el Distrito equilibra los tamaños de las clases, basándose en esos números. Otro tema de importancia será la manera en la cual la Junta Directiva Escolar llega a los padres y la comunidad.

Los panelistas programados son los Miembros del CCSD Chris Garvey y Deanna Wright, el Superintendente Dwight D. Jones y el Superintendente Diputado Pedro Martinez. Jessica Moore del Canal 3 de KSNV presentará el programa.

Pulse [aquí](#) para presentar su pregunta(s) con anticipación.

Resumen General de Dentro de la Educación

El Distrito Escolar del Condado de Clark, con 352 escuelas, es el quinto distrito escolar más grande de los Estados Unidos. *Dentro de la Educación* lleva a los televidentes a las escuelas y salones del área de Las Vegas, para ver cómo enseñan los maestros y cómo aprenden los niños. El presentador Dave Sheehan y la periodista Desiree Duncan proporcionan una perspicacia clave sobre los problemas que influyen a las escuelas del área desde iniciativas nacionales como "Que Ningún Niño se Quede Atrás" hasta intereses locales como kindergarten de todo el día. Para más información [pulse aquí](#).

Semana de Educación Americana 13-19 de noviembre, 2011

La Semana de Educación Americana celebra los logros de la educación pública al igual que aquellos que contribuyen en estos logros. Comenzó en 1919 cuando la Asociación de Educación Americana y la Legión Americana descubrieron que el 25 por ciento de los reclutas de la Primera Guerra Mundial del país eran analfabetos y el 9 por ciento no tenían aptitud física.

Las convenciones de ambas organizaciones adoptaron resoluciones de apoyo para un esfuerzo nacional para aumentar la concientización pública sobre la importancia de la educación. Dos años después la primera celebración de la Semana de Educación Americana se llevó a cabo en todas las escuelas de todo Estados Unidos.

La Miembro Lorraine Alderman llevó a cabo su primer acontecimiento informal llamado "Haciendo Conexiones"



La Miembro Lorraine Alderman presentó la oportunidad a los residentes de la parte centro-sur del valle para reunirse con ella en un entorno informal para discutir los temas de interés relacionados con el Distrito Escolar del Condado de Clark (CCSD).

Los miembros de la comunidad fueron para hablar con la Miembro Alderman el 12 de octubre, 2011, en Einstein Bros. Bagels.

Se permitió el tiempo de "Hacer Conexiones" para que los constituyentes hablaran con su Miembro en un entorno casual. La Miembro Alderman espera ofrecer acontecimientos similares en otras ubicaciones dentro de su Distrito.

"Al reunirnos en un vecindario, quiero contactar a los residentes cerca de donde viven y trabajan," dijo la Miembro Alderman. "Proporciona la oportunidad de pasar por aquí sin hacer cita, y si consideran que este primer esfuerzo fue beneficioso, planeo llevar a cabo acontecimientos similares en otros vecindarios durante los meses venideros".

Equipo Forense de la Escuela Secundaria Valley 2011



Equipo Forense de la Escuela Secundaria Valley Ganó el Premio más Alto

El equipo forense de la Escuela Secundaria Valley ganó el Premio Leading Chapter Award 2010-2011 en el distrito Golden Desert. Es el honor más alto que otorga la Liga Nacional Forense a una sección. Este año Valley fue una de solamente 107 escuelas que recibió el Premio Leading Chapter. **Tillie Torres** es la asesora docente del equipo.

El Programa de Asociación Honró a sus Benefactores

El Programa de Asociación con la Comunidad Escolar del Distrito Escolar del Condado de Clark (CCSD) honró a más de 700 negocios y organizaciones por sus contribuciones durante el año escolar 2010-2011. Un récord de más de \$22 millones de donaciones de caridad y financieras fueron provistas a CCSD. El acontecimiento anual de reconocimiento se llevó a cabo el 13 de octubre, 2011, en el Mirage en Las Vegas.

Concurso de Fotos por medios Electrónicos para Estudiantes de la Escuela Intermedia 2011

Se anima los estudiantes a participar en el Concurso de Fotos por medios Electrónicos para Estudiantes de la Escuela Intermedia. La fecha límite es el viernes, 11 de noviembre. Para las directrices y más información visite <http://ccsd.net/news/Students/2011-10-03/255>

Una Estudiante de la Escuela Palo Verde Recibió un Premio



La estudiante Brook Wilson de la Escuela Secundaria Palo Verde

La estudiante Brook Wilson de la Escuela Secundaria Palo Verde recibió el Premio "Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Silver Valor" el 27 de septiembre, 2011. Wilson salvó la vida de un niño que se había caído a una piscina.

