



F-TROOP NEWSLETTER



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APRIL 2017

District F:
F-TROOP

IMPORTANT DATES

FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

SCHOOL WILL NOT BE IN SESSION ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

04/10-14/17 Spring Break
05/29/17 Memorial Day

For a complete list of calendar dates access
[CCSD 2016-2017 School Calendar](#)

PARENTS/STUDENTS

Thursday, June 8, 2017 (Last day of School)

2017 GRADUATION SCHEDULE

The CCSD Class of 2017 graduation ceremonies start May 24, 2017, and run through June 16, 2017.

Click [here](#) for the full schedule.

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

April 6, 2017, 5:00 p.m.
April 27, 2017, 5:00 p.m.
May 11, 2017, 5:00 p.m.
May 25, 2017, 5:00 p.m.
June 22, 2017, 5:00 p.m.
June 29, 2017, 5:00 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

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WORK SESSION MEETINGS

April 5, 2017, 8:00 a.m.
May 3, 2017, 8:00 a.m.
June 21, 2017, 8:00 a.m.

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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

May 17, 2017, 5:30 p.m. (Adoption of Final Budget)
Edward A. Greer Education Center, Board Room
2832 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89121

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Dear District F Constituents, Parents, Staff, Students and Friends:

Board of Trustees approve calendar changes for 2017-18

Students in the Clark County School District (CCSD) will begin classes two weeks earlier than the traditional start date beginning with the 2017-18 school year. The early start date was approved by the Board of School Trustees at their March 23, 2017, meeting.

As a result of the new school year calendars, parents are advised that the **first day of classes for all CCSD schools will be Monday, Aug. 14, 2017**. The move to an earlier start date also means that the school year will end earlier and the **last day of classes will be on Tuesday, May 22, 2018**.

These changes will be in effect for all CCSD schools as the remaining 15 schools that are currently operating on year-round schedules, will be converted back to nine-month schools.

The primary reason for the conversion to an earlier start date is to allow students to complete testing prior to Winter Break, rather than testing shortly after students return from the two-week break.

CCSD will begin taking online registrations for the 2017-18 school year on Monday, April 17. For parents who do not have computer access at home, a computer station will be available in the office where their child attends school. [Click here for more information.](#) To view school year calendars for the 2016-17 through 2019-20, visit [ccsd.net/calendar](#).

Spring Break

Spring Break will be Monday, April 10, 2017, through Friday, April 14, 2017.

Students report to class on Monday, April 17, 2017.

50th Annual High School Photo Contest

Entries are now being accepted for the 50th Annual CCSD High School Photography Contest. The categories are:

Animals or nature Architecture or cityscapes People
Vintage Vegas Special technique Inanimate objects

Entries are due Friday, April 7 at 4:30 p.m. Drop off photos at the Communications Office, at 5100 West Sahara Avenue. For more information, click [here](#) or call Michele Nelson at (702) 799-5304.

Vegas PBS KIDS Writers Contest

Vegas PBS invites students in kindergarten through fifth grade to enter the annual PBS KIDS Writers Contest, which calls for original stories of 50 to 500 words, depending on the entrant's grade level. "First-place winners will receive a scholarship to attend the Southern Nevada Writing Project's Summer Youth Writing Camp, a five-day program that builds on storytelling skills." The deadline for entries is Friday, April 7 at 5:00 p.m. For details, call (702) 799-1010, or visit [VegasPBS.org/writers-contest](#).

REMINDER: There is no April F-TROOP Meeting scheduled. My next F-Troop meeting will be held **Wednesday, May 10, 2017, 9:30am, at Mark Fine Elementary School.** F-TROOP meetings are open to everyone and all are welcome to attend. I hope to see you there! Meeting information for the 2016-17 school year is listed on the next page.

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2016 – 2017 SCHOOL YEAR

DISTRICT F: F-TROOP MEETING DATE AND HOSTING SCHOOL

2016

Date/Time: Wednesday, September 14, 2016, 9:30 a.m.

School: Grant Sawyer Middle School, Library

Address: 5450 Redwood St., Las Vegas, NV 89118

Date/Time: Wednesday, October 12, 2016, 9:30 a.m.

School: Lois & Jerry Tarkanian Middle School, Library

Address: 5800 West Pyle Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89141

Date/Time: ~~Wednesday, November 9, 2016, 9:30 a.m.~~ - **CANCELED**

School: ~~Durango High School, Library~~

Address: ~~7100 West Dewey Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89113~~

Date/Time: Wednesday, December 14, 2016, 9:30 a.m. *Please note: this is a brunch meeting.*

Home: Carolyn Edwards

Address: 3275 South Tioga Way, Las Vegas, NV 89117

2017

Date/Time: Wednesday, January 11, 2017, 9:30 a.m.

School: Sierra Vista High School, Library

Address: 8100 West Robindale Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89113

Date/Time: Wednesday, February 8, 2017, 9:30 a.m.

School: Southwest Career & Technical Academy, Library

Address: 7050 West Shelbourne Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89113

Date/Time: ~~Wednesday, March 8, 2017, 9:30 a.m.~~ - **CANCELED**

School: ~~Roger Bryan Elementary School, Library~~

Address: ~~8255 West Katie Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89147~~

April: ****No F-TROOP Meeting held this month.**

Date/Time: Wednesday, May 10, 2017, 9:30 a.m.

School: Mark Fine Elementary School, Library

Address: 6635 West Cougar Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89139

F-TROOP



Useful Links

Report a Bully
ccsd.net/students/bully/

CCSD TV
tv.ccsd.net/

F.A.C.E.S
<http://faces.ccsd.net/>

Food Services
<http://ccsd.net/departments/food-service/>

Immunizations – Southern Nevada Health District
southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/

Infinite Campus
ccsd.net/parents/infinite-campus.php

Millennium Scholarship, Prepaid Tuition Program and More
nevadatreasurer.gov

Newsroom
newsroom.ccsd.net/

Regional Professional Development Program (RPDP) Math Resources are available online.
rpd.net/

Clark County Schools Achieve
<http://reorg.ccsd.net/>

School Board Meetings
ccsd.net/trustees/meeting-agendas/

Student Enrollment
ccsd.net/parents/enrollment/

Transportation
ccsd.net/departments/transportation

Zoning
ccsd.net/schools/zoning/



All CCSD schools will be closed Monday, April 10, 2017 through Friday, April 14, 2017 in observance of Spring Break. Classes will resume Monday, April 17, 2017

New Schools On Track To Open In August

The newest school additions to the Clark County School District (CCSD) are scheduled to open for the 2017-18 school year. Click [here](#) to view aerial footage and photos of the progress.

The new schools opening in August 2017 are:

- **Shelley Berkley Elementary School**
Maule Avenue and Grand Canyon Drive
- **Janis L. Jones Blackhurst Elementary School**
Chartan Avenue and Pioneer Way
- **Lomie G. Heard Elementary School**
Lamb Boulevard and Kell Lane
- **Dr. Beverly S. Mathis Elementary School**
Arville Street and Mesa Verde Lane
- **Josh Stevens Elementary School**
Dave Wood Circle and East Galleria Drive
- **Billy and Rosemary Vassiliadis Elementary School**
Antelope Ridge Drive

A seventh new school, Don and Dee Snyder Elementary School on Ford Avenue and Riley Street, will open in January 2018. The new schools will add capacity for close to 6,000 more students. CCSD is also on track to complete five additional elementary schools in August 2018.

2017-2018 Online Registration

CCSD will begin taking online registrations for the 2017-18 school year on Monday, April 17.

For parents who do not have computer access at home, a computer station will be available in the office where their child attends school.

CCSD urges all parents to register and enroll their students by the first day of class. This can be done at <http://ccsd.net/parents/enrollment>.

To find out what school your student is zoned for, parents may visit ccsd.net/schools/zoning or call the Demographics, Zoning and GIS Department at 702-799-6430. More information is also available at the student's school.

2017 Graduation Schedule

The CCSD Class of 2017 graduation ceremonies start May 24, 2017 and run through June 16, 2017. Click [here](#) for the full schedule.

Trustee's Parent and Constituent Meetings for April



Trustee Linda E. Young, District C
The Village Meeting
Wednesday, April 26 at 9:00 a.m.
Las Vegas Academy of the Arts, Library

Mark your calendars for Family Enrichment Day on April 29

The 9th Annual Family Enrichment Day will be held on Saturday, April 29 from 8:00am – 1:00 pm at the UNLV Student Union, located at 4505 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Admission is free, no reservations are needed and lunch will be served. Intended to support parent engagement and student academic success, the event will consist of workshops and activities for the entire family. For more information, call CCSD at (702) 799-0303 or visit [Family and Community Engagement Services](#) (FACES).

Instructional Design and Professional Learning Division (IDPLD) Summer School 2017

Session I: June 13 – June 30
7:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Session II: July 5 – July 24
7:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

For more information, please contact your student's school counselor, preferred summer school site or call (702) 855-9751



CCSD Earns 24 Merit Awards From Magnet Schools Of America

Twenty-three CCSD Magnet schools are recipients of 24 [Magnet Schools of America \(MSA\) Merit Awards](#) for 2016-17. Nine Magnet schools were awarded Schools of Excellence and 14 schools were awarded Schools of Distinction.

The following schools earned the 2016-17 MSA Magnet School of Excellence Award, which is the top merit award category given to a select group of Magnet schools across the nation that have demonstrated the highest level of excellence in all facets of the merit award application:

- Advanced Technologies Academy
- CVT Gilbert Magnet School
- Ed W. Clark High School
- James Cashman Middle School
- Southeast Career Technical Academy
- Thurman White Academy of the Performing Arts
- Valley High School (Academy of Hospitality and Tourism)
- Veterans Tribute Career & Technical Academy
- Walter Bracken STEAM Academy

The following schools earned the 2016-17 Magnet School of Distinction Award, which is the second-highest level of awards given to Magnet schools that have met all the basic requirements outlined in MSA's merit awards scoring rubric:

- Canyon Springs High School
- Desert Pines High School (Academy of Communications & Information Technology)
- Desert Pines High School (Academy of Hospitality)
- East Career and Technical Academy
- Jim Bridger Middle School
- Jo Mackey Academy of Leadership and Global Communication through Technology
- K.O. Knudson Middle School
- Kit Carson International Academy
- Las Vegas Academy of the Arts
- Northwest Career and Technical Academy
- Rancho High School (Aviation Science & Technology)
- Roy Martin Middle School
- Sandy Searles Miller Academy For International Studies
- Southwest Career and Technical Academy
- West Career and Technical Academy

CCSD Student Services Division Partner with Community Healthcare Providers

The Student Services Division, in partnership with community healthcare providers, offers school-based health services to students of the Clark County School District (CCSD) and their younger siblings who reside in the same household. Services include but are not limited to acute and well care visits, immunizations, sports/annual physicals, and targeted mental health services.

The Foundation for Positively Kids operates the following school-based health centers: Cynthia Cunningham Elementary School, Reynaldo Martinez Elementary School, Elaine Wynn Elementary School, and William Bailey Middle School. Nevada Health Centers operates a school-based health center at C.P. Squires Elementary School. Nevada State College operates a school-based health center at the Bower Center at Basic Academy of International Studies. First Person Complete Care and United Citizen's Foundation operate a school-based health center at Valley High School. University of Nevada, Reno operates pediatric residency services at Kermit Booker Elementary School, West Preparatory Institute, and Grant Sawyer Middle School. Southwest Medical Associates provides school-based health services via their mobile healthcare clinic, Medicine on the Move, to various school sites.

Preventative dental services including oral health screenings, child prophylaxis, fluoride application, dental sealants, and oral health education is provided by Future Smiles. The main location is Ed W. Clark High School with satellite sites at Reynaldo Martinez Elementary School and Cynthia Cunningham Elementary School. Limited restorative dental services are provided by Project Smile through an annual grant funded by MGM Resorts Foundation.

Vision screenings, eye exams, refractions, and eyeglasses are provided by Eye Care 4 Kids. The main location is at Brinley Middle School with satellite sites at Robert Taylor Elementary School and Grant Sawyer Middle School. Additional school sites are served by the Eye Care 4 Kids mobile unit.

Additional information regarding these programs may be obtained from the health office at your child's school.

No Shortage Of Educational Programs On Vegas PBS

[Vegas PBS](#) broadcasts 24 hours of educational programs each day, including 12 hours of educational children's programs every weekday from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Children who watch PBS Kids programs learn mathematics, literacy, social development and more. For more information, call (702) 799-1010.

It's Your Choice, CCSD!

The Clark County School District has a strong belief that when families have choices in selecting a school, students are more engaged and, ultimately, more successful. While the vast majority of CCSD families are happy with their neighborhood schools, for some families, a different school may more readily match the needs of their child(ren). CCSD is pleased to offer a variety of school options for families at itsyourchoice.ccsd.net.

Open Enrollment

At the end of April, Open Enrollment will be available for schools with unfilled seats. Students who do not reside in the attendance zone may express interest in enrolling. While transportation is not provided, Open Enrollment provides families with an additional choice. Please visit ccsd.net/schools/open-enrollment/ for more information. For questions regarding open enrollment, please email OpenEnroll@interact.ccsd.net or call 702-799-6430.

Select Schools

Although the deadline has passed, opportunities are still available for late applications to Select Schools. Students may apply to one of over 30 exciting programs at five (5) Select Schools which include: Bonanza, Chaparral, Mojave, Silverado, and Western High School. These schools offer outstanding Career and Technical Education programs of study as well as many Advanced Placement and other specialized programs. Students wishing to attend a Select School are also eligible for busing, based on established transportation zones, even if they are not zoned for the school.

Magnet Schools

While the deadline has passed, opportunities are still available at several CCSD magnet schools. Students interested in attending a high school performing arts program may register for late auditions to be held at Las Vegas Academy on Saturday, April 29, 2017 and at Del Sol Academy on Saturday, May 13, 2017. Once a late application has been submitted for Las Vegas Academy and/or Del Sol Academy, contact the school you've applied to in order to schedule your audition. Contact Las Vegas Academy at 702-799-7800 or Del Sol Academy at 702-799-6830 directly. To submit a late application for other programs, please visit magnet.ccsd.net.

For more information on these options, please visit itsyourchoice.ccsd.net.

Public Invited To Free Healthcare Collaboration Event April 6

Local residents are invited to make one stop for all their healthcare and wellness needs at the [Healthcare Collaboration](#), slated for Thursday, April 6 from 1-7 p.m. at Hartke Park, 1900 E. Tonopah Ave. in Las Vegas. The event is free and open to the public. A number of local agencies will provide free medical services, screenings and immunizations, social services and more. There will also be games for children, art projects and other activities. For more information, call Laura K. Culley, M.D., at (702) 895-0325.



Public Invited To SNHD Health Fair April 16

National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW), April 16-23, is an opportunity to remind parents to check their tots' vaccine status for such illnesses as measles, mumps and chickenpox. The Southern Nevada Health District, Immunize Nevada and the Junior League have teamed up to present the Community Baby Bash Immunizations & Health Fair from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 16 at the Health District's main public health center, located at 280 S. Decatur. This free event will offer no cost childhood immunizations for Vaccines For Children-eligible babies and toddlers. There will also be dental and vision screenings for children plus free car seats (while supplies last), prizes, and more. Parents should bring their children's immunization records. For more information, call (702) 759-0850 or visit <http://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/niiw>.

Call For Nominations Underway To Name Five New Elementary Schools

A call for nominations is being held through May 31, 2017, to name five new elementary schools slated to open in the fall of 2018. Applications are due May 31, 2017. Please email SNC@ccsd.net to request a fillable PDF form. Click [here](#) for more information.

CCSD Dance Showcase

Dancers in school programs from around the county will perform at this annual showcase that will be held on April 7, 2017 at 6:30pm at Artemus W. Ham Concert Hall - UNLV. Click [here](#) for more information.

CCSD Honored For Its School Breakfast Program

The Clark County School District has received the Western Region's 2017 Champions of Breakfast Award for the category Implementation of an Innovative School Breakfast Program Model. The Champions of Breakfast Awards recognize schools and districts that operate exemplary school breakfast programs. CCSD implemented Second Chance Breakfast in 13 secondary schools, and increased school breakfast participation by more than 20 percent in the last two years. For more information, call Michelle Chirby at (415) 645-1941.



The Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada will be among the exhibitors at the Family Festival slated for Saturday, April 9 in Downtown Summerlin. There will also be live entertainment, sports programs and various activities for children. For more information, click [here](#) or call (702) 331-1350.

CCSD 2016 Grads Scored Higher Than National Average on AP Exam

CCSD Class of 2016 students scored higher than the national average in the Advanced Placement (AP) Exam. Here are some highlights:

26.3 percent of the class of 2016 earned a three or higher on the AP Exam, 4.4 points higher than the national average of 21.9 percent.

CCSD increased AP Exam participation to 21,130 AP Exams in the 2015-2016 academic school year from the 18,409 AP Exams taken in 2014-2015, and 15,591 AP Exams taken in 2013-2014, an overall increase of 35.5 percent in exams taken.

CCSD increased minority student AP Exam participation to 8,267 minority students in the 2015-2016 academic school year from 6,801 in 2014-2015, and 5,644 in 2013-2014.

For more information, click [here](#).

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