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October 2014

District A

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR

10/31/14...Nevada Day Holiday
11/3/14 & 11/4/14...Staff Development Day
11/10/14 & 11/11/14...Veterans' Day Holiday
11/27/14...Thanksgiving Day Holiday
11/28/14...Family Day Holiday

For a complete listing access:

<http://www.ccsd.net/district/calendar/>

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

Thursday, October 9, 2014, 4:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 13, 2014, 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 website: [CCSD Board Meetings](#)

BOARD WORK SESSIONS

Wednesday, November 5, 2014, 8:00 a.m.

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

DISTRICT A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (ACE) MEETINGS

Tuesday, October 14, 2014, 10:00 a.m.

September 2014 ACE meetings held at:
Silvestri JHS, Theater
1055 Silverado Ranch Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89123

Parents and Community Members,

The rankings have been released from the state, and District A has 17 FIVE Star Schools. I am so proud of the work that has been done by the teachers, students, and staff. Together all are focused on the same goal. We are moving the needle; we are going in the right direction.

Homework Hotline is available to assist students in math from 3:30 to 5:30 pm Monday through Thursday. Call (702) 799-5111 to get help from CCSD math teachers. The program airs live from 4:00 to 5:00 pm on CH 96 & 111 (Vegas PBS).

On September 19, 2014, we had our official 'Count Day' for CCSD students. As of that day we had 318,597 students enrolled in The Clark County School District. That is an increase of 3,523 students since last year. Our growth is on track with the growth we had back in the late 1990's and early 2000's.

I would like to address some concerns that have been voiced over the start of a discussion on what, if any, changes need to be made to our current sex education curriculum. Miscommunication and misunderstandings have driven this issue off the rails. It is time to set the record straight. Superintendent Skorkowsky has written a letter explaining the details of what happened and more importantly how he is asking for us as a community to move forward. I hope everyone will read his letter with the true intent in which it was written - an honest, forthright, clarifying response to public concerns.

<http://www.ccsd.net/district/news/general/2014/oct/3/superintendents-letter-to-the-community>

I whole-heartedly invite each and every one of you to attend my parent community meetings. My ACE meetings are held at Silverstri JHS, and I am holding evening meetings every other month. The October ACE meeting will be on October 14, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. This month's topics will be Infinite Campus and Constituent Services. These presentations will help you in your home school communication.

Your Trustee,
Deanna Wright

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Palo Verde High School pays tribute to the victims of 9/11



Students at Palo Verde High School pay tribute to the victims of 9/11, which included Barbara Edwards, a language teacher at the school, who was aboard Flight 77 that day.

Police Offer Tips to Parents to help Keep Children Safe



Local law enforcement agencies are offering assistance to parents to help children steer clear of danger during the school year. During a meeting at Centennial High School on August 21, Metro joined with North Las Vegas Police and the CCSD Police Department in offering the following tips to parents:

- Be vigilant when driving in or near school zones.
- Monitor children's social media accounts to catch potential problems early.
- Plan safe school routes.

Seigle Center II Renamed Dr. Beth Howe Center



The Seigle Center II at 3626 Pecos McLeod, Las Vegas, was renamed the [Dr. Beth Howe Center](#) on September 3, 2014. During her career with the school district, Dr. Howe was principal at Barbara & Hank Greenspun Junior High School and B. Mahlon Brown Middle School, and also served as executive director of CCSD's [Student Services Division](#). Dr. Howe passed away three years ago. For more information, call Annie Amoia at (702) 799-5413.

Infinite Campus Portal Mobile App



The Campus Portal mobile app provides a fast and convenient way for parents and students to check grades, assignments, schedule, attendance and daily planner information on their iOS or Android device. The app is available to our parents and students at no cost and can be downloaded directly from the iTunes App Store, Google play store, amazon appstore or from the links provided below.



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CCSD Celebrates Increase of 5-Star Middle and High Schools



Over the past two years, eight Clark County School District middle and high schools increased their star rating to become 5-Star Schools, according to the [2013-14 Nevada School Performance Framework results](#). The "star ratings" rank schools from 1 to 5 stars based on their state test score results and other indicators such as attendance and graduation rates. Since 2012, the number of 5-Star Middle Schools has increased from 12 to 17. The number of 5-Star High Schools increased from nine to 12 since 2012, and the number of 4-Star High Schools doubled from five to 10. Click [here](#) for more information on the Nevada School Performance Framework results for the 2013-2014 school year. To learn more about the Nevada School Performance Framework, visit <http://ccsd.net/district/nevada-school-performance-framework/>.

CCSD Board of Trustees Parent and Community Forum

On October 7, the CCSD Board of Trustees will hold a [Parent and Community Forum](#) from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Valley High School Theater, 2839 S. Burnham Ave., Las Vegas. The topics will include updated graduation requirements, the new SBAC state standardized test and an update on Infinite Campus. The public is invited to attend.

Magnet Schools and CTAs Community Meetings



Magnet Schools and Career and Technical Academies have scheduled community events for October 2, October 18 and December 13 at various locations throughout Clark County. Click [here](#) for the schedule. Look for the application by the end of October. The application will be due by 3:00 p.m. on January 8, 2015. For additional information, visit <http://magnet.ccsd.net>.

5th Annual Reclaim Your Future Event



On September 13, CCSD and community member volunteers participated in the 5th Annual Reclaim Your Future event by visiting students at home. This door-to-door effort targets students who are credit deficient and at risk of not graduating. Students are encouraged to take the steps necessary to graduate. Members and CCSD volunteers inspired 21 students.