

SCHOOL NAME COMMITTEE

New Elementary School Name Application

For instruction regarding submitting an application to name a school, please see the Call for Nominations available on the [School Name Committee](#) page on CCSD.net.

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| PERSON SUBMITTING THE NOMINATION: HARRIET E. BARLOW | | | |
| ADDRESS: [REDACTED] | | | |
| CITY: [REDACTED] | STATE: NV | | ZIP CODE: [REDACTED] |
| EMAIL: [REDACTED] | HOME PHONE: [REDACTED] | | CELL PHONE: [REDACTED] |
| INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUGGESTED NAMESAKE | | | |
| FULL NAME OF NOMINEE (first, middle, and last): HANNAH MARIE BROWN | | | |
| PROPOSED SCHOOL NAME: HANNAH MARIE BROWN | | | |
| NOMINEE'S OCCUPATION: RETIRED EXECUTIVE/DELTA AIRLINES | | | |
| IS THE NOMINEE: | | | |
| A FORMER CCSD EMPLOYEE? | YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | IF SO, HOW MANY YEARS RETIRED? |
| A FORMER SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE? | YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | IF SO, HOW MANY YEARS RETIRED? |
| CURRENTLY SERVING IN ANY PUBLIC OFFICE? | YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | |
| A CURRENT OR FORMER CCSD SUPPLIER, CONTRACTOR, OR CONSULTANT? | | YES | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
| IF SO, PLEASE DESCRIBE RELATIONSHIP: | | LAST DATE OF SERVICE: | |
| A RELATIVE OF ANY PERSON CURRENTLY SERVING ON THE SCHOOL NAME COMMITTEE OR BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | | | |
| IF SO, PLEASE DESCRIBE RELATIONSHIP: | | | |
| DATE OF BIRTH: [REDACTED] | CITY: [REDACTED] | STATE: [REDACTED] | COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP: USA |
| DECEASED? YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | YEARS IN CLARK COUNTY: 74 | CURRENT RESIDENT CLARK COUNTY? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES NO |
| SUPPORT FOR THIS NOMINATION | | | |
| (SCHOOL NAME COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL RATE EACH OF THE FIVE CATEGORIES BELOW FOR A TOTAL COMBINED AVERAGE SCORE) | | | |
| 1. EXTRAORDINARY AND LASTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION AND/OR CLARK COUNTY | | | |
| Please summarize the nominee's extraordinary and lasting contributions benefitting the Clark County School District and/or the community: | | | |
| <p><i>Ms. Brown created the Saturday School Tutorial Program at Matt Kelly Elementary School to address and improve low test scores on the State test. Funding was provided for teachers, included 2 meals and field trips etc. Students flourished in this small learning environment. Classes were compromised of 10 students per classroom (3 classes) and students received one-on-one attention in specific subjects such as math and English. Parental support was necessary, and The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) was established. This component was designed to encourage parental involvement in order that they will have a vested interest and a stake in their children's education. This program was successful, students acquired better study habits, learned the importance of reading daily, and their state test scores showed significant improvement. In addition, her direct connection to the Clark County School District is manifested in her leadership and dedication to the 501c3 Hannah Brown Community Development Corporation (HBCDC) in which, hundreds of students in the CCSD receive thousands of dollars to continue their education.</i></p> | | | |
| 2. EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP | | | |
| Please explain the nominee's demonstrated exceptional leadership locally toward the advancement of education and/or humanity in Clark County: | | | |
| <p><i>Ms. Brown participated in the Saturday School Tutorial Program in which she created. She attended the classes to ensure the program was properly managed and supervised. She followed the program from its inception to the conclusion. Her participation was to ensure that students received attention in the areas where it was needed most. She measured the success of the program by comparing previously submitted test scores to the testing scores post program.</i></p> | | | |

3. NOTABLE EXPERIENCE

List relevant education positions or experience inside and/or outside of the Clark County School District, length of time in each position, and impact on children in Clark County:

Ms. Brown served on the Superintendent's Advisory Committee for 2 decades as a community representative. In this position, she had the opportunity to give input about specific topics, and to make recommendations to enhance the Clark County educational system; participated in several ad hoc committees; served on the Public Education Board of Trustees (6 years); Nevada State Foundation Board (10 years); Chair of the College of Southern Nevada (8 years); UNLV Diversity Committee.

List involvement in organizations or activities benefitting children and/or relevant public or government service and explain how the nominee's activities have contributed to children, education, or to the betterment of Clark County:

Ms. Brown is a member of the Links, Inc. (mission is to improve the lives of minorities). The Links partners with the City of Las Vegas to host the Annual Teen Town Hall Meeting in which approximately 500 students from local high schools participate. This event allows students an opportunity to meet with elected officials and to have open dialogue. This meeting is also a time where students express what their needs and concerns are regarding current events and their future education. The Links are committed to this event, and has partnered with the City for over 9 years. The Links also provide scholarships to deserving students, and this meeting gives them an opportunity to meet with students face to face.

4. SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON CHILDREN AND/OR EDUCATION IN CLARK COUNTY

Please describe the estimated number of children/people impacted by the nominee's activities and indicate any extraordinary circumstances, such as loss of life in the performance of service to benefit or support the Clark County School District or individual actions beyond customary expectation that result in extraordinary benefit to CCSD students, staff and community members:

In addition to providing thousands of dollars in scholarships via the Hannah Brown Community Development Corporation, Ms. Brown participates in the City of Las Vegas Annual Ward 5 Back to School Fair. Vendors and community partners join to assemble and provide resources and school supplies to students. Over 2,000 students and their families attend the event annually. Backpacks and learning tools are supplied complimentary to equip students with the necessary tools for classroom preparedness. Ms. Brown is a proud supporter of this event, and the city looks forward to her participation. Further, Ms. Brown established a Saturday School Tutorial Program at Matt Kelly Elementary to address the low test scores on the State test. Her involvement in this project was successful, and resulted in increased test scores. Her actions enriched the student's confidence as well as encouraged their parents to have a stake in the education of their children. Lastly, Ms. Brown served as a member of the CCSD Superintendent's Advisory Committee for two decades.

5. POSITIVE ROLE MODEL/SPECIAL ATTRIBUTES, TALENTS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OR CONTRIBUTIONS

Please describe the nominee's demonstrated character to inspire students and any other special attributes, talents, accomplishments, or contributions not listed elsewhere in this application:

Named by Ebony Magazine in 1991 as "100 Most Promising Black Women in Corporate America" was only the beginning of Ms. Brown's accomplishment as a role model and inspiration for the Las Vegas community. In 2018, she was recognized by the American Red Cross as the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award and the Clark County School District's Excellence in Education Award. Other awards include: Citizen of the Month (City of Las Vegas, Jan. 2016); Delta Sigma Theta Spirit Honoree; Who's Who in Black Las Vegas (interesting Personality); Courtney Children's Foundations, First Annual Woman of the Year Award; U. S. Small Business Administration Minority Small Business Champion of the Year; and Valley Hospital System Board of Governors.

REFERENCES

Jan Jones Blackhurst

[Redacted]

Vida Chan Lin, President
Asian Community Development Council

[Redacted]

Jerrie Merritt, Sr. Vice President
Bank of Nevada

[Redacted]

Beverly Rogers, President
The Rogers Foundation

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Tony Sanchez, Sr. Vice President
Nevada Energy

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Danyale Berry

July 26, 2019

Dear CCSD School Naming Committee

My name is Danyale Berry, a junior Exercise Science major, attending Winston - Salem State University, and I am a recurring recipient of the Hannah Brown Community Development Corporation Scholarship (HBCDC). I have been fortunate enough to encounter Hannah Brown on numerous occasions, witnessing firsthand her hard work and dedication to our community. I believe Ms. Brown deserves this dedication because she has been an effective role model in not only my life, but the community as well. She has inspired me to see many other possibilities that I can achieve and has encouraged me to return home and give back to the community that has put so much into me.

One of the main philosophies Hannah stands by is to not limit myself and achieve goals that I set my mind to. As an exercise science major, other students in my field are geared towards becoming a basic Physical Therapist or Athletic Trainer. I have been taught that I can achieve more due to her influence. With that inspiration, I applied myself and now intern for NASA at the Marshall Space Flight Center. This internship is the first step on my path to becoming a physical therapist for astronauts taking part in deep space exploration.

Through the HBCDC, Hannah Brown has the opportunity to give back to the community. Without her support, affording my education would be difficult, and for that, I am truly grateful. With the experience and skills I've gained, I have the tools to be able to teach generations after me the importance of education, respect, and community.

It truly takes a community to support and guide the youth today, and I am lucky enough to have had that guidance to propel me forward. Hannah Brown's commitment to the importance of education is an inspiration that is reflected in those she impacts.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Danyale Berry



Hannah Brown Letter

1 message

Sat, Jul 27, 2019 at 12:15 PM



Good Afternoon,

Included in this email is my Letter to the School Naming Committee, ready for proof reading and editing. I apologize for not getting it to you yesterday, for I am at my family reunion in Kentucky. Thank you for this opportunity, and I look forward to your constructive criticism.

Thank you,

Danyale Berry

Hannah Brown Letter .docx
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Nevada System of Higher Education

THOM REILLY, CHANCELLOR

4300 S. Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119



2601 Enterprise Road
Reno, Nevada 89512

February 12, 2019

Clark County School District
School Name Committee
Community and Government Relations
5100 West Sahara Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89146

To the Members of the CCSD School Name Committee:

It is my pleasure to be a part of the large group of supporters in favor of naming a school in honor of Ms. Hannah Brown.

As a civil rights pioneer and long-time civic and community leader, Hannah's achievements and contributions to Southern Nevada are well known. Over the past two decades, I have had the pleasure of serving with her on numerous community and education boards and have personally witnessed this diligent public servant in action.

In my capacity as Clark County Manager, I worked on several community projects with Hannah, who was then President of the Urban Chamber. I was continuously inspired and awed by her tireless dedication to affecting positive change and creating opportunity, not only for our youth, but for the entire Las Vegas community.

In my current position as Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE), I have witnessed her role as an effective advocate for education. In recent years, Hannah has served NSHE as a member of the Chancellor's Diversity Roundtable and the Nevada State College Diversity Advisory Board. She was instrumental in creating a long-term strategic plan for the College of Southern Nevada (CSN) to improve outreach efforts to underserved populations and recently served on the 2018 CSN President Search Committee. Hannah is considered one of our most valued and respected community partners.

Hannah Brown is certainly deserving of this distinction and I lend my wholehearted support for naming a school in her honor.

Sincerely,

Thom Reilly, Chancellor



The Public Education Foundation

Because young minds matter

Dear Members of the School Naming Committee,

I write to you on behalf of Ms. Hannah Brown. I strongly support her as a selection for having a Clark County school named in her honor. Hannah has been both a civic and community leader for Southern Nevada. Her success in the private sector and contributions as a community leader has stirred the hearts of both children and students.

Hannah has been in Las Vegas since she was six years old. She attended Rancho High School her freshman year and was elected as their Student Body Secretary. Hannah was rezoned from Rancho High School to Las Vegas High School, which she graduated from in 1958. Hannah has roots and heart in these schools because she is a proud product of the Clark County School District.

Hannah's leadership in the private sector has been undeniable. She became Western Airlines' first African American and female station (location) manager. She still held this honor after Delta Airlines purchased Western in 1987. Ebony Magazine included Hannah in its list of "100 of the Most Promising Black Women in Corporate America" in 1991. In 1999, she was elected as the President of the Urban Chamber of Commerce. During her eight years of leadership there, the Chamber's scholarship program experienced tremendous growth, providing \$92,000 in scholarships in the last year of her presidency. These are just to name a few of her many accomplishments.

Hannah has served on numerous boards and groups including the Nevada State College Foundation and the Las Vegas Centennial Commission. She has also served on The Public Education Foundation's Board of Directors since 2012. At our Education Hero Award Gala in 2018, we honored Ms. Hannah Brown with our Champion of Children Award. The Champion of Children award is awarded to an individual who is dedicated and passionate about supporting children and the issues they face. Ms. Brown is more than deserving of this award as her service inspires others to become more involved in shaping the future of children in Clark County.

Hannah's leadership and commitment will have an everlasting impact on the Southern Nevada community. She is so deserving of having a namesake school and it is my hope that you will select her for such an honor.

Sincerely,

Judi Steele
President & CEO

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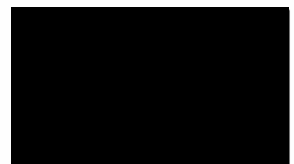
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*Champion of Children
Champion of Education
Every Day Hero
Woman of Diversity
Community Activist*

Las Vegas Resident since 1945

President Emeritus, Las Vegas Urban Chamber of Commerce

Alumnus, Westside Grammar School

Alumnus, Rancho High School

Lived through Segregation in Las Vegas

Attended First Integrated School in Las Vegas/Elected Student Body President

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The Intersection: Academic Multicultural Resource Center Advisory Board, UNLV

Dean's Advisory Board, UNLV School of Medicine

The Public Education Foundation Board of Trustees

Nevada State College Foundation Board

Delta Education & Leadership Training Academy Advisory Board

Workforce Connections Board, Chair

Valley System Board of Governors

Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors

Olive Crest-Board of Trustees, Emeritus

JAG Nevada Board of Directors

Executive Steering Committee for the Las Vegas Centennial

Pioneer, Activist, Education Champion

Business and Community Advocate.

A Las Vegas resident since 1945, Hannah Brown has witnessed major milestones in African-American history: black entertainers integrating Strip showrooms in the 1950s; the 1955 opening of the city's first interracial casino, the Moulin Rouge; the Strip's desegregation in 1960; visits by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. later in the decade; welfare mothers marching on Las Vegas Boulevard and commandeering Caesars Palace in 1971 and school desegregation later that decade; and the formation of the Nevada Black Chamber of Commerce on July 7, 1980.

In 1997 Brown added her name to the African American canon as part of a group that re-named the chamber as the Urban Chamber of Commerce and repurposed the new organization's

focus toward *business advocacy*. Today, the chamber boasts several hundred members and continues to champion diversity issues.

During Brown's time in leadership, the chamber instituted a college scholarship fund, created monthly luncheons and annual joint luncheons with the Asian and Latin chambers, and secured land and partial funding for a \$2.2 million headquarters that will also house a business incubator and a full-service Bank of Nevada branch. But the signature achievement during her tenure might be the chamber's work improving managerial diversity and minority business procurement in the gaming industry. "You heard the word 'diversity,' but you didn't see it in action until we came along."

Making things happen fast is Brown's

Awards & Honors

2018 *Lifetime Achievement Award*, American Red Cross

2018 *Excellence in Education Award*, Clark County School District

2018 *Education Hero Award*, The Public Education Foundation

January 2016 *Citizen of the Month*, City of Las Vegas

2016 *Tribute Award*, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. *Community Service Award*, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

1991 *100 of the Most Promising Black Women in Corporate America*, Ebony Magazine

1988 *Black Women of Achievement*, NAACP Legal Defense Fund

Achievement Award, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

First Annual Women of the Year Award, Courtney Children's Foundations

Black History Month Award, College of Southern Nevada

2005 *Grand Marshall*, Martin Luther King Parade

2003 *Proclamation*, Governor Kenny Guinn

2006 *Champion of The Year*, U. S. Small Business Administration Minority Small Business

Honorary Associates of Arts Degree in Humane Letters, Community State of Nevada College of Southern Nevada (CSN)



Hannah Brown: Making a Difference

Negotiated the 4 million dollar grant from the Nevada Centennial Committee to refurbish her alma mater, Westside Grammar School to a historical cultural center.

hallmark. Blacks comprised five percent of the student population at Rancho High School, yet she was elected student body president. "It was my first experience in an integrated environment," she recalls. During a nearly 40-year airline industry career, she was promoted with regularity, including eight times in one ten-year stretch. In less than a year, she went from serving as the chamber's vice president to president, a position she held for eight years. "I was the first black and first woman in each position," Brown says. *Ebony* magazine named her one of "100 Most Promising Black Women in Corporate America." "When I was assistant manager in San Francisco, there were 119 men and one woman on the airport ramp. That went over like a lead balloon."

After a career spent away from home, Brown returned in 1993 to care for her sick mother. She took an early retirement package from Delta Airlines and worked for eight-and-a-half years for McCarran International Airport, becoming the facility's first black manager. Brown, who moved here from Stamps, Arkansas, at age 6, was distressed about urban conditions. "I saw that the city wasn't as far along as the other places I'd lived. That's why I'm passionate about my volunteer career."

Memberships in The Links, Inc., the Southern Nevada Coalition of Concerned Women and 100 Black Women of Las Vegas, among other

groups; activity in religious and political groups; and stints on various committees (from higher education to the city's Centennial Committee to the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Nevada Courts) keep her days packed. That list pales in comparison to the legions of business people and aspiring entrepreneurs she has counseled through the Urban Chamber. Trying to name them is like counting grains of sand on a beach. "I'm very proud of what the chamber has done. It is truly an advocate for black businesses," shares Brown.



Historic Westside School



"An Interesting Personality"
By Damon Hodge
2008 Reprint



Hannah Brown Community Development Corporation

History.

Since 1999, the Urban Chamber of Commerce and the Hannah Brown Community Development Corporation has provided access and opportunities to students in our local community by achieving a simple goal of empowering them with an education by granting scholarships to hundreds of deserving individuals pursuing a college education.

Mission.

The mission of the Hannah Brown Community Development Corporation is to advance and improve social, educational, and economic conditions of our disadvantaged communities by providing education and technical assistance, advocacy and leadership.

The Hannah Brown CDC Scholarship Program.

The HBCDC Scholarship recognizes students who wish to further their educational pursuits by entering colleges, universities and trade schools. In doing so, the HBCDC is proud to help contribute to students and their efforts to become productive, contributing members of society.

By removing some of the financial burdens associated with going to, surviving in, and graduating from college, the HBCDC plays a vital role in increasing college access and success for many motivated yet underserved youth and young adults. The HBCDC provides individual grants, paid directly to the educational institution, to every student who qualifies and reapplies yearly, from admission to graduation. The grant can be used to cover tuition expenses and related supplemental educational expenses such as books, lab fees, and select costs of living.

WHO ARE THE HANNAH BROWN SCHOLARS?

All Hannah Brown Scholars are required to “give back” by conducting community service and by serving as mentors to younger, aspiring Hannah Brown Scholars.

They all have a compelling desire to pursue higher education, in spite of many personal, socio-economic setbacks. They are hardworking, resilient and determined individuals who want to make positive contributions to their local communities, and they turn to the HBCDC to make their ambitions and dreams possible.

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Saturday, May 4, 2019
1pm-3pm
Urban Chamber of Commerce
1951 Stella Lake Street
Suite 30
Las Vegas, NV 89106
Space is Limited.
Register by calling Rhea at 702.623.9500

Hannah Brown Scholarship Application Session

Bring: Transcripts
Test scores
Laptop and Cord
Tablet and Cord
Earbuds/Headphones

Light Refreshments will be Served

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Hannah Brown

Community Development Corporation

2019 Scholarship Awards Breakfast

Luxor Resort & Casino
Lotus Rooms 2 & 3
3900 S. Las Vegas Blvd.
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

Wednesday, June 5, 2019
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.





APPRECIATION FOR PRESIDENT EMERITA HANNAH BROWN

A Birthday Celebration
Presented by the Urban Chamber of Commerce
June 23, 2019
Las Vegas Park MGM

"I am an advocate for education..."
Hannah Brown



U-CAN GO TO COLLEGE: For college-bound Las Vegas students opportunities await
August 5, 2013, Las Vegas Black Image Magazine

"I am an advocate for education, and so proud that the Urban Chamber of Commerce Foundation has a signature scholarship in my name. I am supporting the U-CAN Black College Fair coming to our Las Vegas community, because it opens doors for our young people."



Three chambers of commerce plan Dec. 13 joint mixer
Review Journal, December 1, 2013

Three Las Vegas chambers of commerce are reprising a joint business mixer that will be held Dec. 13 at The Venetian. Pictured are: bottom row, left to right, Hannah Brown, past president of the Urban Chamber, Eloiza Martinez, past president of the Latin Chamber; top row: left to right, James Yu, president of the Asian Chamber, Ken Evans, president of the Urban Chamber, and Dr. Terry Wong, past president of the Asian Chamber.



Photos of the Month
June 29, 2015, Las Vegas Black Image Magazine

At the screening of "Misunderstood Legend of the Las Vegas Moulin Rouge Documentary," at the West Las Vegas Library Theatre, Original Moulin Rouge showgirl, Carrie Pollard, Miss Hannah Brown, Claytee White, Documentary producers and directors Stan Armstrong and Gary Lipsman.



CSN Event Honors Civil Rights Pioneers
December 3, 2015, CSN Newsroom Blog

Held on the Cheyenne campus and hosted by CSN communication professor Arnold Bell, the event presented awards to local civil rights pioneers Hannah Brown and June Whitley, a former Nevada System of Higher Education regent. Brown, who was presented the CSN Frederick Douglass Humanitarian Award.



Red Cross Everyday Hero: Hannah Brown
Apr 13, 2018, KLAS/Nathan Tannenbaum

8 News NOW salutes and thanks Hannah Brown, as she receives the American Red Cross Everyday Hero Lifetime Achievement Award. *Every year, the American Red Cross honors community members who have demonstrated heroism through extraordinary acts of courage and kindness.



Hannah Brown is the regional manager-stations for Delta Air Lines Inc. at its world headquarters in Atlanta.



DOCUMENTING THE AFRICAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE

IN LAS VEGAS

A PROJECT OF THE UNLV UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

In 2016 the UNLV University Libraries partnered with VegasPBS to complete produce the documentary, African Americans: the Las Vegas Experience.

Las Vegas African American Community Conversations



Part One: A conversation about "Early Migration, Work and Community Emergence"



Hannah Brown/Thalia Dondero Award of Distinction

Véronic Honored at Ladies of Distinction Event

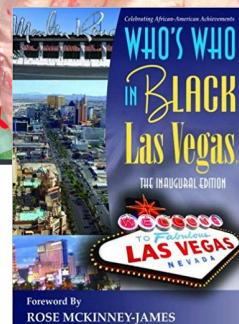
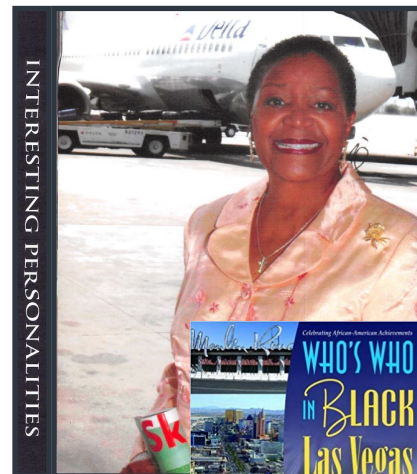
Olive Crest's annual fundraiser luncheon, Ladies of Distinction, recently honored Véronic, a headliner at Bally's Las Vegas. The event, held this year at Red Rock Resort, honors women in the local community who actively make a difference in the lives of others. Véronic was recognized with the Hannah Brown/Thalia Dondero Award of Distinction for her philanthropic support of the Las Vegas community, including Olive Crest, through her "Lend Your Voice" campaign.

Commissioner Lawrence Weekly shared with guests his heartfelt and emotional experiences as an adopted child.

All funds raised at this event assist our region's at-risk children and families.



Olive Crest Trustee and award namesake Hannah Brown with Commissioner Lawrence Weekly.



"A strong woman is one who feels deeply and loves fiercely. Her tears follow as abundantly as her laughter. She is both soft and powerful, practical and spiritual. A strong woman in her essence gift to the world." Kengen Consulting endorsement of honoree, Hannah Brown.

TRIBUTE! AWARDS 2016
 SUNDAY • JANUARY 10, 2016 • 4:00 P.M.
 HONORING COMMUNITY LEADER
Hannah Brown
 Stallion Mountain Country Club
 5500 East Flamingo Road
 Las Vegas, Nevada 89122
 Reception • Dinner
 Awards & Entertainment
 ★
 \$100
 For more information:
www.lasvegasalumnaedst.org
 702-490-LVAC (5822)

"You may not realize it now, but the effort you're putting into your learning experience now will pay off for the rest of your life."
 Hannah Brown

Sometimes, if I'm overwhelmed, I'll look in the mirror, and I'll say 'thank you, Lord, for making me the person that you made me. I didn't make myself.'"

Hannah Brown

The Public Education Foundation

The honor of your presence is requested to celebrate:

Governor Brian Sandoval
 Education Hero
 ★ ★ ★

Hannah Brown
 Champion of Children
 ★ ★ ★

Don Snyder
 Lifetime Education Achievement Award

Event begins at 5:30 p.m. • Seating is very limited • Make the difference
 A premier member's exclusive luncheon and reception for public education
 Proceeds will benefit the Public Education Foundation

2018 EDUCATION HERO AWARD GALA
 Waldorf Astoria Las Vegas
 (formerly Mandarin Oriental)
 Saturday, September 22, 2018

Hannah Brown, a civic and community leader driven by fairness and a devotion to equality, is a true champion of children and public education. Brown, chairman emerita of the Urban Chamber of Commerce, also offers invaluable leadership on The Public Education Foundation's Board of Directors.

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Please describe the estimated number of children/people impacted by the nominee's activities and indicate any extraordinary circumstances, such as loss of life in the performance of service to benefit or support the Clark County School District or individual actions beyond customary expectation that result in extraordinary benefit to CCSD students, staff and community members:

Please see attached.

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Please describe the nominee's demonstrated character to inspire students and any other special attributes, talents, accomplishments, or contributions not listed elsewhere in this application:

Please see attached.

You may attach no more than five (5) additional sheet(s) to complete your answers to the questions, if needed, or to provide additional supplemental material relevant to this application.

REQUIRED REFERENCES: In a separate document, not included in page count restriction, please provide five (5) references, including names, addresses, emails, and phone numbers. References may not be related to nominee.

OPTIONAL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: In addition, the Committee will consider no more than three (3) letters of recommendation for each individual or joint nominee(s).

Please submit application and supporting documentation by July 31, 2019:

Clark County School District c/o Community Engagement Unit

5100 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89146 or via email to snc@nv.ccsd.net.

1. Extraordinary and Lasting Contributions to Education. Summarize the nominee's extraordinary and lasting contributions to education benefitting the Clark County School District.

Dr. Miller began his career with the Clark County School District in 1958 as one of the architects responsible for establishing the functional bedrock on which the school district currently operates. As a teacher, coach, counselor, principal, and athletic/ activities director he coordinated with the first eight CCSD Superintendents to create, develop and structure the policies and procedures still used in our district today. His contributions are woven into the tapestry of CCSD history. As mathematics is the foundation of science, engineering, and even music, so Dr. Miller's contributions are the foundation of the CCSD we know today. His lifetime of work has made an everlasting impact in the CCSD and the Clark County community that continues in the present and propels them toward the future.

Dr. Miller greatly impacted the children of CCSD throughout his tenure, but his most instrumental contributions were during his appointment as Director of Athletics and Activities from 1976 to 1991. Dr. Miller strongly believed athletics and activities positively impacted the academic outcomes of students, and they are fundamental toward building a successful whole person. Through his leadership and perseverance, he partnered the CCSD and its students with the force of the Downtown and Strip Hotel industry and prominent local businesses. This brought tremendous novel resources and opportunities for students and interconnected the CCSD with the heart of the community. During these years, CCSD saw reduced dropout rates, higher graduation rates, and greater post-secondary opportunities and enrollment. The students fostered their educational and athletic aspirations and developed their social, emotional and physical well-being.

Many of the basic policies we take for granted today were established by Dr. Miller. Known as the founding father of CCSD sports, Dr. Miller negotiated the first written agreement with the Southern Nevada Officials Association to ensure there would be certified officials at every secondary and junior high sporting event. He partnered with local orthopedic physicians to ensure trained medical personnel were onsite as well. Dr. Miller helped craft the operational plan of the National Interscholastic Athletic Association and served on the National High School Football Rules Committee, creating the rules we use today to ensure the safety of our student athletes.

Dr. Miller was appointed one of the first board members to the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrator Association (NIAAA). He was later inducted to the County, State and National IAAA Halls of Fame for his leadership. To this day, he is the only person from Nevada to be inducted into the NIAAA Hall of Fame. He also earned innumerable accolades in acknowledgement of his extraordinary contributions to education. Both the Clark County School District and UNLV honored him with the Distinguished Service Award and Outstanding Educator Award.

As an Athletic and Activities Director, Dr. Miller was responsible for "everything that happened after 2 pm" in the CCSD. This included not only all student activities and athletics themselves, but logistics such as transporting thousands of students, event safety, officials, venue coordination, scheduling, event recording, news coverage, awards, parent involvement, funding, coordination between other counties and states. Frequently this involved coordination for cross-country or international activities. Dr. Miller's responsibilities extended not only to athletic events, but to intellectual competitions, band, choir, other music events, philanthropic and leadership clubs, ROTC events and literally anything students were involved in after 2 pm and throughout the day. Dr. Miller developed and expanded the Varsity Quiz program, together with the late Harvey Dondero, to be sponsored by the Las Vegas Kiwanis club and held at Channel 10 Studios. They further expanded this to the Jr. High school level. With the late Senator Howard Cannon, he expanded the High School ROTC program from one Nellis AFB unit at Rancho HS to a district-wide program. He also developed the first county and state wide ROTC Drill Team and Efficiency Championships, which still runs today.

Dr. Miller's tenure oversaw the early beginnings of CCSD with 20,000 students, and his policies and innovations still guide the 320,000 students of today. He is truly a part of the rich living history of the CCSD. His contributions to student athletics and activities are fundamental to the organizational structure, logistical operations and cooperative agreements with the business community and Clark County resources. He established the philosophy that education includes the whole person and each child has diverse strengths and talents that can be nurtured to build their success.

2. Exceptional Leadership. Please explain the nominee's demonstrated exceptional leadership locally toward the advancement of education and/ or humanity in Clark County.

Dr. Miller has always been known as a motivator, innovator and leader in the CCSD from its early days. For 12 years, he used these skills on the Las Vegas Youth Advisory Board. He prided himself on forming teams of educational and community experts to create novel solutions to barriers impacting student performance. Dr. Miller understood that improving performance in low-performing schools would require a staff committed to thinking outside of the box and creating innovative solutions.

Dr. Miller instilled a "Yes we can do this!" attitude to achieve goals thought of as unattainable by others. His conviction was put to the test when entrusted with the challenging role as the Principal of Opportunity School, the "high school of last resort" for Clark County's most troubled youth. During the early 1970's, the community was struggling with civil unrest and the desegregation of our school district. Riots were erupting in underprivileged areas and disrupting the educational process and the basic safety of the students and faculty. Dr. Miller was personally threatened on multiple occasions with weapons as he led the initiative to turn around this school and improve student performance. He was on the front lines of a growing effort to battle escalating gang violence that confronted law officials and community leaders. Dr. Miller challenged his staff and community leaders to invest in these at-risk youths instead of waiting for the next disruption. Self-worth, respect, and opportunities were the keys to his motivational strategy. Providing at-risk students with positive role models, altering the way they viewed their future, using small steps to change their conception of what they could achieve and opening the door of possibilities fundamentally changed their lives and the community response to this challenging set of students.

One of his most effective programs developed by Dr. Miller during his tenure at Opportunity School was titled Cream of the Crop. Each week several Opportunity School students were selected by their teachers for having achieved a small self-set goal. These students were then honored with a special certificate and luncheon downtown with their principal and a prominent business or school district member. For many of these students, this was the first time they were recognized for a positive achievement; the first time in their lives someone believed in them and publicly acknowledged their accomplishment. Many students attribute this recognition program as a defining moment in their lives which motivated them to finish school and begin a career. Although recognition programs and community partnerships are common in our educational system today, this was a revolutionary concept at the time.

Based on his successful leadership strategies, Dr. Miller was then charged with turning around another school campus in crisis, becoming the principal of Western High School. Again, with this "Yes we can do this!" attitude, Dr. Miller rallied his new staff and community officials to rid this school of its prevalent drug infestations, low academic achievement and dismal graduation rates. Within his first year as principal, Dr. Miller led Western High School to five State Championships. The school went on to win many more throughout his tenure to become a state athletic powerhouse. He also nurtured the development of the three-time nationally award winning Jubilation musical ensemble which produced several critically acclaimed LP albums. Most importantly, Western High School began receiving acknowledgement for its scholastic achievements and produced several National Merit Finalists. Dr. Miller was not only a role model for his students, he lifted them up to be role models for their peers. He used the diverse talents and amazing success of his previously underachieving students to buoy their peers toward the belief that they too could achieve beyond their previous expectations. For such incredible successes and exceptional leadership skills, Dr. Miller was promoted to CCSD Central Administration to make district-wide impacts through innovation and reforms.

3. Notable Education Experience. List relevant education positions of experience inside and/or outside of the Clark County School District, length of time in each position, and impact on K-12 achievement in Clark County.

Dr. Miller served the CCSD with distinction in multiple roles since 1958. Returning as a Korean War veteran, Dr. Miller used his GI bill to obtain a teaching degree before beginning his 33-year career with the school district. Initially hired as a teacher at J.D. Smith Middle School, Dr. Miller rapidly advanced as a teacher, coach, and counselor at Rancho High School from 1960 until 1965. There he coached with the late Jack Dailey to win the Ram's first Nevada State Baseball Championship. Dr. Miller's impact on student success then accelerated him into the administrator and principal roles of Roy Martin Junior High School (1965-1970), Opportunity School (1970-1972) and Western High School (1972-1976). In 1976, he began his 15-year tenure as the most celebrated Athletic and

Activities Director in the CCSD. Dr. Miller retired from full-time service with CCSD in 1991. However, his notable educational experience was requested once again in 1995. He returned to the District to become the first Administrator of the Clark County Adult Evening Education Programs. Dr. Miller again utilized the strengths of his staff to create the successful adult learning program still operating today. Although Dr. Miller officially retired again in 2000, he continues to support CCSD as the Nevada Administrator and on the Board of Directors of the international organization Youth Basketball Association of America.

4. Involvement in Organizations or Activities Benefiting Children and / or Relevant Public or Government Service. Please explain how the nominee's activities have contributed to children, education, or to the betterment of Clark County.

Dr. Miller grew up in a small town with little opportunity outside of farming. He served our country as a Sound Ranger in the Korean war. Returning, he used his GI bill to obtain his teaching degree and began his career in educating and encouraging Clark County youth. He achieved the highest status of 3rd degree Master Mason in both the York and Scottish Rite, the additional 33rd degree from the Scottish Rite and recently received the honor of 60 years of distinguished service. He is also a life member of the BPOE Elks Lodge, routinely became Santa at Christmas for underprivileged children and served in many community fundraising and organizational events. Both these associations continue to be very active with children and community betterment.

Dr. Miller built successful partnerships with civic, community and business leaders in each of his positions within the Clark County School District to bring the community closer to students and schools. His intent was to sustain collaborative partners to weave together critical resources to support the needs of the students and accelerate their success. These community business partnerships and civic leadership involvements were essential to providing resources and school funding for academic programs and extra-curricular activities. They also provided students with actual life experiences and community connections upon which to build their life's portfolio. Building these partnerships required exceptional leadership and involvement in multiple organizations to address the barriers impacting our educational system. Bridging the divide of the business community and the CCSD continues today as one of the most important factors in growing CCSD resources, building the future leaders of our community and bringing new business to Clark County. Dr. Miller was one of the first to establish this fundamental concept that was so novel in the early days of the CCSD.

A few of Dr. Miller's own personal educational and community organizations include City of Las Vegas Cultural Arts Community Committee (Member), City of Las Vegas Professional Baseball Team Recruitment Committee (Member), City of Las Vegas Volunteer Fire Department (Member), Clark County Convention and Visitors Authority (CCSD Liaison), Clark County School District Budget Committee (Member), Energy Conservation Committee (Member), Las Vegas Elks (Lifetime Member), Las Vegas Junior Chamber of Commerce (Member), Las Vegas Phi Delta Kappa Educational Fraternity (Secretary and Charter Member), Las Vegas Sun Youth Forum (Executive Committee and Event Coordinator), Master Teacher Advisory Board (Member), National Association of Secondary School Principals Association (NV Scholarship Committee Member), National Federation National Conference Host Committee (Chairperson), National Federation (Executive Committee Member), National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (State Membership Chairperson, Hall of Fame Inductee), Nevada Association of School Administrators (Executive Board Member), Nevada Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development (President), Nevada State Secondary Principals (President), Northwest Accrediting Association Review Committee (Chairperson), Southern Nevada Counselors Association (Committee Member), Southern Nevada Officials Association (Baseball Official and Lifetime Member), State Committee on Education (Member), Youth Basketball of America (State Director), and Zelza Las Vegas Shriners (Member).

5. Significant Impact on Children and Education in Clark County. Please describe the estimated number of children / people impacted by the nominee's activities.

Dr. Miller has touched hundreds of thousands of lives throughout his career in education. His contributions, innovations and policies have filtered through to today's CCSD structure and policies. In a sense, he has touched the lives of every student, educator, administrator and employee from the early beginnings of the CCSD through modern times. His contributions are one of the many threads that weave through the rich historical tapestry of the CCSD. He began with a school district of 20,000 students and saw it thrive to become the 5th largest school district in the

country with 320,000 students. He left a legacy in both the CCSD and all Nevada. Dr. Miller challenged the community in many unconventional ways to create partnerships with the school district and invest in Nevada's students and future.

Dr. Miller dedicated his life to bringing much needed resources to our district and significantly impacted many of the services utilized today to support our students. He realized early within his administrative career that to bridge the gap between the community and school district, he needed to demonstrate that CCSD had a significant presence in the community. In 1986, he organized the first Corporate Challenge Program as one community platform. Educators came together to compete in the largest amateur sporting event in Nevada against thousands of employees in hundreds of companies, with the CCSD winning the large corporation division. The Corporate Challenge recently celebrated its 32nd anniversary with 18,000 athletes from more than 125 companies from around Las Vegas. The schools rallied and the community took notice as CCSD won many championships over the years. This program opened the door to many more partners interested in working with CCSD, benefiting both sides. Dr. Miller collaborated with such icons as Siegfried and Roy to bring students to the Frontier Hotel and later the Mirage for educational programs on endangered animals. Similar programs and educational forums were established for the dolphin habitat, and later the Shark Reef at the Mandalay Bay. Another unique event involved hundreds of high school students assisting the Sands Hotel in their 1982 record balloon release for the Guinness Book of Records to bring attention to funding educational reform. Many other hotels and casinos followed suit by working with Dr. Miller to involve high school bands, ROTC's, and clubs for special events which brought much needed recognition and funding to an ever-growing school district. In addition to the financial support from the casinos, Dr. Miller partnered with Jostens Jewelry, Jack Binion, Kiwanis clubs, Lions clubs, Elks clubs, Masons, and the Southland Corporation, to bring much needed resources to underfunded schools. Dr. Miller is also credited for developing the Sun Youth Forum with Governor Mike O'Callaghan and Superintendent Robert Wentz; organizing the first statewide high school ROTC skills competition and varsity quiz competitions; as well as organizing the UNLV Rebel Recognition Program to recognize outstanding CCSD teachers.

Due to Dr. Miller's inspirational efforts and outpouring of community support, the CCSD established full departments to manage their myriad of extra-curricular programs. The CCSD Partnership Office, the CCSD Department of Athletics, and the CCSD Department of Activities were all founded to support the continuing needs of our students. These departments were the direct result of Dr. Miller's efforts. He has not only made a significant impact on the past and present students and policies of the school district, he is truly the "founding father" of CCSD athletics and activities.

6. Positive Role Model / Special Attributes, Talents, Accomplishments, or Contributions. Please describe the nominee's demonstrated character to inspire students and any other special attributes, talents, accomplishments or contributions not listed elsewhere.

Dr. Miller exemplifies the highest character achievable for turning humble beginnings into a life's work that has touched and propelled hundreds of thousands of students down their own successful paths. He started life in a Midwest small town with few options. He spent his elementary school days working in his father's creamery churning butter and candling eggs to help his family to survive. He held onto his belief in himself and the ideals of service and hard work. He served his country in the Korean War and then created his own educational growth. He engrained the belief that success is motivated by the development of self-worth and small opportunities. As the first in his family to attend college, he used his GI bill to obtain his teaching degree from Wayne State College in Nebraska. He continued his commitment to lifelong education earning a Masters Degree in School Administration from UNR and his Doctorate in School Administration from UNLV. He used this education, experience and talent in building the CCSD.

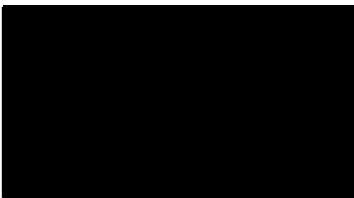
Dr. Miller dedicated his entire career to the students of the Clark County School District. He was an advocate for young men and women along their educational journey, bringing opportunities to those who may not have had any without his support. He quite literally put his life on the line for his passion for education as he faced down guns and knives on several occasions while bringing order, encouragement and possibilities to his students at Opportunity School. As documented in this application, Dr. Miller has positively touched students' lives on local, state and national levels. When he began his career in 1958, CCSD had recently consolidated into the district we know today and is still functioning with many of his programs continuing to enrich student's lives. Dr. Miller worked tirelessly to

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Required References

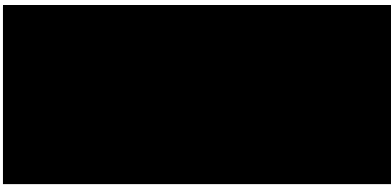
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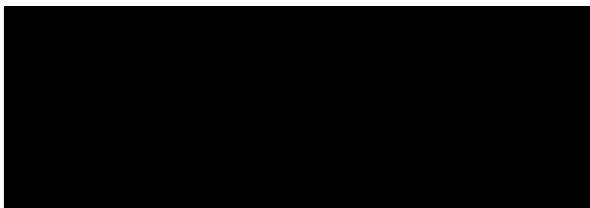
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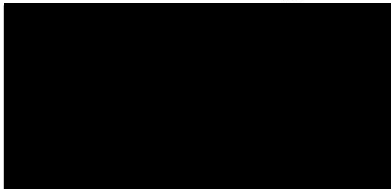
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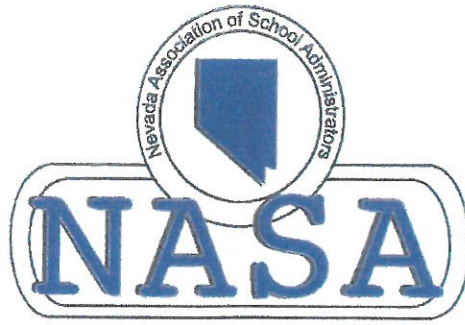


4. John Osborn
Assistant Dean for External Relations
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Lee Business School



5. Dr. Lonnie Hammargren





September 10, 2016

Clark County School District
School Naming Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have had the pleasure of knowing Dr. Bruce E. Miller for more than forty years.

For two of those years, I was an Assistant Principal at Western High School while Bruce was the Principal. Later, while I was Associate Superintendent of Secondary Education Division, the Bruce Miller led Department of Student Activities was in our division.

Dr. Miller led a dedicated and distinguished career in the Clark County School District. He successfully served as a teacher and high school level counselor. He then achieved in leadership positions as the principal of a junior high school, an alternative school and, then, a high school. For the last twenty-six years of his career, he effectively held the positions of the district's Director of Student Activities and the Assistant Director of Adult Education.

Bruce is a true leader. He was asked, or elected, to be a member of a wide variety of professional "Boards" and "Associations". Impressively, these boards and associations were not at just the local level, but also, at the regional and national level. In nearly every case, he was selected to be the Chairman or President of these respective groups.

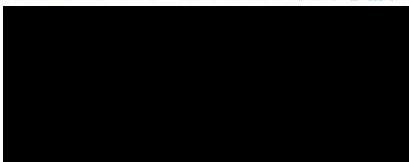
It is also noteworthy that, in addition to his professional activities, Bruce "gives back" to his community. He is: active in his church; a member of the Shriners and the Elks Club; and is a member of the Black Mountain Country Club.

It is with great pleasure that I recommend that the Clark County School Naming Committee place Bruce Miller's name on one of our newly constructed schools.

Sincerely,

Ralph Cadwallader
Executive Director, Emeritus

NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS



To School Naming Committee:

I am submitting this letter of support on behalf of **Dr. Bruce Miller**.

My name is Dr. George Ann Rice. I retired as Associate Superintendent of Human Resources after 34 years with the Clark County School District.

My first encounter with Dr. Miller occurred when he arrived at Western High School as our new principal. I remember very clearly that he met with each staff member to introduce himself and to get to know each of them personally. I was a teacher at the time and was planning to move into administration. He was aware of that fact. When he began our conversation, he told me that now that he was principal and I was on the staff, he would personally do everything he could to help me achieve my goals. He was totally in my corner. I was amazed and very grateful. It is as clear today in my mind as it was when we talked those many years ago. Actually, I received my administrative appointment 3 months later. I always thought Bruce had helped in some way.

Bruce seemed to attack each of his assignments with the same passion, enthusiasm and commitment. He was committed from the beginning to turning low-performing schools around, before that became a common theme in the district. He was in that endeavor a member of the team, never expecting his staff to do anything he wasn't already doing.

In addition, I have always admired his commitment to athletics. I am very aware from experience that athletics gives many at-risk youngsters a reason to come to school and can also be the glue that holds a school together. I remember in the late 60's when there were race confrontations in the high schools in Las Vegas. I saw our school totally turned around when the football team brought home the State Championship. The students did not see themselves any more as black or white, but as "from Western High School". From that time on, I was an enthusiastic supporter of high school athletics.

It is my pleasure and my honor to support Dr. Bruce Miller's nomination as a candidate to have a new school named for him.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "George Ann Rice". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Clark County School District
School Naming Committee

School Naming Committee Members:

It is my honor and pleasure to provide this letter of recommendation for Dr. Bruce E. Miller. Being extremely involved in the local community, as a former elected member of the non-partisan Board of Regents for the Nevada System of Higher Education and Nevada Lieutenant governor, I am glad to give a strong recommendation for the naming of a new elementary school after the exceptional Dr. Miller.

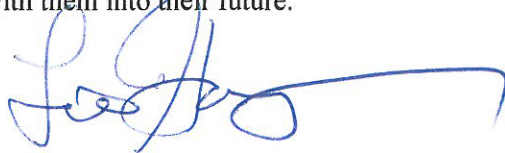
I have known Dr. Miller for more than 40 years, encompassing his 33-year career with the Clark County School District. As Nevada's Lieutenant Governor from 1995 through 1999, education was an important platform during my service. I know Dr. Miller had a similar emphasis on the importance of a strong, well-rounded education for all Nevada's youth. Dr. Miller worked tirelessly for our students without the desire for personal or political gain, for him it was always about providing quality education for all children.

Dr. Miller has also been a community leader in our neighborhood, as well as our church. Through each of our interactions, Dr. Miller's integrity and dedication to the Clark County School District was an admirable example of commitment to quality education. Nothing is more telling of this commitment than the fact that Dr. Miller's children, as well as my own, attended, and graduated, from the Clark County public schools.

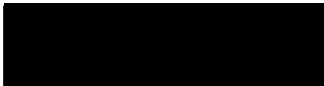
His greatest talent though, was his ability to take failing students and schools and set them on a path to success. He did this through reorganizations, forming new partnerships with the community, and teaching the students and parents to take pride in their school and their children's education. Nothing exemplifies this skill more than what Dr. Miller was able to accomplish at Opportunity School and Western High School.

Dr. Miller has my great admiration as a school teacher, coach, and administrator. I believe it would be an appropriate honor to have his stellar career commemorated through the naming of a school after this great man. Dr. Miller should be known for making students successful by nurturing their confidence from within and pride in their own abilities and accomplishments, no matter where they lived, where they started, or which school they attended. His life and career have been dedicated to the Clark County public school system and it is fitting he be remembered for his accomplishments. The students at Dr. Bruce E. Miller elementary school will take his inspiration with them into their future.

Sincerely,



Dr. Lonnie Hammargren
Former State of Nevada Lieutenant Governor



SCHOOL NAME COMMITTEE

New Elementary School Name Application

For instruction regarding submitting an application to name a school, please see the Call for Nominations available on the [School Name Committee](#) page on CCSD.net.

| PERSON SUBMITTING THE NOMINATION: Sonja Barnum - Mason | | | |
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| ADDRESS: [REDACTED] | | | |
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| INFORMATION ABOUT THE SUGGESTED NAMESAKE | | | |
| FULL NAME OF NOMINEE (first, middle, and last): Odis Tyrone Thompson | | | |
| PROPOSED SCHOOL NAME: Tyrone Thompson | | | |
| NOMINEE'S OCCUPATION: Nevada State Assemblyman, former County employee with an emphasis on community services, workforce and organizational development. | | | |
| IS THE NOMINEE: | | | |
| A FORMER CCSD EMPLOYEE? | <input type="radio"/> YES | <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO | IF SO, HOW MANY YEARS RETIRED? |
| A FORMER SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE? | <input type="radio"/> YES | <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO | IF SO, HOW MANY YEARS RETIRED? |
| CURRENTLY SERVING IN ANY PUBLIC OFFICE? | <input type="radio"/> YES | <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO | |
| A CURRENT OR FORMER CCSD SUPPLIER, CONTRACTOR, OR CONSULTANT? | <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO | | |
| IF SO, PLEASE DESCRIBE RELATIONSHIP: | LAST DATE OF SERVICE: | | |
| A RELATIVE OF ANY PERSON CURRENTLY SERVING ON THE SCHOOL NAME COMMITTEE OR BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES? | <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO | | |
| IF SO, PLEASE DESCRIBE RELATIONSHIP: | | | |
| DATE OF BIRTH: [REDACTED] | CITY: [REDACTED] | STATE: [REDACTED] | COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP: USA |
| DECEASED? <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO | YEARS IN CLARK COUNTY: 51 | CURRENT RESIDENT CLARK COUNTY? <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO | |
| SUPPORT FOR THIS NOMINATION | | | |
| (SCHOOL NAME COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL RATE EACH OF THE FIVE CATEGORIES BELOW FOR A TOTAL COMBINED AVERAGE SCORE) | | | |
| 1. EXTRAORDINARY AND LASTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION AND/OR CLARK COUNTY | | | |
| Please summarize the nominee's extraordinary and lasting contributions benefitting the Clark County School District and/or the community: | | | |
| <p>"Community Minded, Results Driven" was the motto that was constantly echoed in Tyrone Thompson's presence. Much of Tyrone's life was guided by his deep desire to be a dedicated public servant to build stronger and safer communities. He displayed his commitment with his heart, passion and compassion for people. He championed many noble causes and changed many lives. Born and raised in Clark County, Tyrone represented the growth and transformation of our valley. He spent almost his entire life in Southern Nevada from the time he attended Clark County School District elementary, middle and high school to his 25 plus years of public services across multiple sectors such as health, human and community services fields. His service to the community began early as he proudly served his peers as the Student Body President of Valley High School. He graduated from Valley High School in 1985 and went on to Northern Arizona University to receive his Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Sociology. Tyrone returned to his home, the great City of Las Vegas to begin his career in public service. In 2000 he received his masters degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix.</p> <p>(Continued on additional sheets)</p> | | | |
| 2. EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP | | | |
| Please explain the nominee's demonstrated exceptional leadership locally toward the advancement of education and/or humanity in Clark County: | | | |
| <p>Tyrone was the consummate leader; always looking to elevating those around him. He served the community not only through his formal positions, but also through his community service. He served on several boards and supported many local non profits, financially and through administrative support. He helped create and develop organizations, assisting them in growing and meeting the needs of the populations he served.</p> <p>LEADERSHIP LAS VEGAS - Tyrone was a staunch advocate and vocal cheerleader for Leadership Las Vegas. His commitment to community was ever present. He was a proud graduate of the Class of 2003. Tyrone would often tell friends and colleagues of his Leadership Las Vegas experience and encourage them to apply. After he graduated, Tyrone continued serving in leadership roles within Leadership Las Vegas and also served as a program facilitator. In 2018, Tyrone was inducted into the Leadership Las Vegas Hall of Fame. He was a community connector and a leader.</p> <p>NATIONAL FORUM FOR BLACK PUBLIC ADMINISTRATORS (NFBPA) - Tyrone served as the President of the Las Vegas Chapter of NFBPA. Under Tyrone's leadership he established educational sessions to support career advancement of Black professions in the field of public service. Tyrone's public service record is extensive. His role in NFBPA exhibits just another effort of his continued dedication to improving his community through his love of public service.</p> <p>(Continued on additional sheets)</p> | | | |

3. NOTABLE EXPERIENCE

List relevant education positions or experience inside and/or outside of the Clark County School District, length of time in each position, and impact on children in Clark County:

Chief Executive Officer and Success Coach, Thompson Career Solutions, 2016 - 2019
 Senior Training Coordinator, Clark County Organizational Development Center, 2014 - 2017
 Regional Initiatives Coordinator, Southern Nevada Planning Coalition, 2011 - 2014
 Neighborhood Planning and Initiatives Manager, City of Las Vegas, 2006 - 2011
 Social Services Manager, Clark County Social Service, 2004 - 2006
 Neighborhood Liaison, Clark County Neighborhood Services, 1998 - 2002

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List involvement in organizations or activities benefitting children and/or relevant public or government service and explain how the nominee’s activities have contributed to children, education, or to the betterment of Clark County:

Nevada State Assembly - Tyrone Thompson was appointed to the Nevada State Legislature by the Clark County Commission in April of 2013 and elected by his constituents in 2014, 2016 and again in 2018. In both the 2017 and 2019 session, Tyrone served as the Chair of the Assembly Education Committee. During his tenure he sponsored legislation to improve the lives of students across the state of Nevada. One of the bills he championed was AB168, which required a school to provide a plan of action based on restorative justice before expelling a pupil. This legislation supported one of Tyrone’s main focuses, the disparity in school discipline. He served as the co-chair for the Disproportionate Minority Contact committee where he examined the statistics of student discipline to determine why minority students are in contact with the system more often than others. AB 168 addresses this issue, again showing Tyrone’s commitment to service to all mankind, even the students who may have made poor choices. Tyrone believed that all students deserve a fair shot and an equal opportunity.

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4. SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON CHILDREN AND/OR EDUCATION IN CLARK COUNTY

Please describe the estimated number of children/people impacted by the nominee’s activities and indicate any extraordinary circumstances, such as loss of life in the performance of service to benefit or support the Clark County School District or individual actions beyond customary expectation that result in extraordinary benefit to CCSD students, staff and community members:

Tyrone has led countless initiatives in the Southern Nevada community to uplift, build and support the people of Las Vegas, young and old.

Batteries Included Initiative (BII) - The Batteries Included Youth Initiative is a collaboration between the City of Las Vegas, Clark County School District and Nevada Partners that represents a commitment to academic excellence and student achievement. The initiative was designed to ensure Las Vegas youth and teens reach their greatest potential by providing after-school educational activities focused on leadership, service learning, career planning and preparing for college.

During his tenure as the Neighborhood Services Manager for the City of Las Vegas, Tyrone was instrumental in the development, implementation and coordination of this outstanding youth program. The Batteries Included Program continues to thrive today.

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5. POSITIVE ROLE MODEL/SPECIAL ATTRIBUTES, TALENTS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OR CONTRIBUTIONS

Please describe the nominee’s demonstrated character to inspire students and any other special attributes, talents, accomplishments, or contributions not listed elsewhere in this application:

Tyrone Thompson’s funeral was not just standing room only, people actually waited outside in line for hours. Family and friends returned home because the lines were too long to get in, there were others who arrived 4 hours before just to get in the building. That is the example of a role model. Everyone wanted to pay there respects to a man who meant so much to our community.

Quotes

Gov. Steve Sisolak, said “I am heartbroken by the unexpected passing of Assemblyman Thompson. He spent his career in service to others, and dedicated his life to lifting up and protecting the most vulnerable in our community. They say that no man stands so tall as when he stoops to help another, and Assemblyman Thompson stood larger-than-life because of his selfless service to his fellow Nevadans.”

“We are deeply saddened by Assemblyman Thompson’s sudden passing,” Democratic Assembly Speaker Jason Frierson said in a statement Saturday morning. “He was well respected by his colleagues in the Legislature for his dedication and leadership. His warm smile and larger-than-life presence will truly be missed in our Assembly chamber. “I have never known someone more obviously created in this world to serve others than Tyrone.”

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You may attach no more than five (5) additional sheet(s) to complete your answers to the questions, if needed, or to provide additional supplemental material relevant to this application.

REQUIRED REFERENCES: In a separate document, not included in page count restriction, please provide five (5) references, including names, addresses, emails, and phone numbers. References may not be related to nominee.

OPTIONAL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: In addition, the Committee will consider no more than three (3) letters of recommendation for each individual or joint nominee(s).

Please submit application and supporting documentation by July 31, 2019:

Clark County School District c/o Community Engagement Unit
 5100 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89146 or via email to snc@nv.ccsd.net.

1. EXTRAORDINARY AND LASTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION AND/OR CLARK COUNTY

(cont. from the application)

He began his long-lasting career in the public sector as a neighborhood liaison in Clark County Neighborhood Services, where he engaged with community members to address their needs and concerns. Tyrone went on to serve as a Social Services Manager in Clark County Community Services and then moved on to serve at the City of Las Vegas as the Neighborhood Planning and Initiatives Manager. His career had a theme, service to mankind. In these roles, Tyrone assisted in managing the Summer Business Institute program, managing the EVOLVE program for the City of Las Vegas, the first community-based re-entry program in southern Nevada. Following his tenure at the City of Las Vegas, Tyrone went on to serve as the Regional Initiatives Coordinator for the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition where he addressed the crisis of homelessness across the valley, again service to mankind. Tyrone ended his career with Clark County as a Senior Training Coordinator in the Clark County Organizational Development Center where he led internal training for staff seeking to move up in the Clark County System and external training for students in the Summer Business Institute or citizens in the Neighborhood College seeking a better understanding of local government.

Tyrone was always on a quest for more knowledge that would help him build consensus across sectors to tackle the most pressing issues in the community. His ambition led him to be unanimously appointed to the Nevada State Legislature by the Clark County Commission on April 16, 2013. He was later elected by his constituents to continue representing Assembly District 17 in 2014, 2016 and 2018. His knowledge, passion, and dedication to our community naturally positioned him to chair the Assembly Education Committee during the 79th and 80th Legislative sessions where he tirelessly facilitated many conversations to improve the state of education in Nevada. To further his efforts, he founded Thompson Career Solutions that served as his "life's work to further assist organizations, emerging professionals and executives to reach their maximum potential to SOAR in thriving industries and definitely, the community."

In each of these roles, Tyrone Thompson set a standard of service to all mankind, students, peers, community leaders, those in need and even those seeking expanded opportunities. His efforts have and will continue though he has passed.

2. EXCEPTIONAL LEADERSHIP

(cont. from the application)

During his NFBPA leadership years, Tyrone tremendously increased membership levels and moved the Las Vegas Chapter of NFBPA to national prominence resulting in the selection of the Las Vegas Chapter for a regional conference; and his eventual selection as an appointee to support the NFBPA national board. Always ensuring inclusivity he developed partnership efforts with the local chapter of Public Administrators to ensure that his efforts were multiplied.

Court Appointed Special Advocate – CASA Program

Tyrone believed that those who could, should, meaning that if you had the ability to speak you could advocate. He took this seriously, which was evidenced by his nearly 20 years of service as a CASA volunteer. Our foster youth need the best advocates, they need someone to speak for them and advocate for them in their most desperate times. Tyrone was that person. Tyrone went as far as to

sponsor legislation, just this year, that provided additional protections for youth in foster care, allowing the parent or guardian to make decisions for their child even when they are not able to care for them. That was Tyrone, assisting the child and the parent when in desperate situations.

3. NOTABLE EXPERIENCE

(Cont. from application)

List relevant education positions or experience inside and/or outside of the Clark County School District, length of time in each position, and impact on children in Clark County:

Nevada State Assemblyman 2013 - 2019 - Assembly Chief Deputy Majority Whip, 2017; 2019

Assemblyman Committees:

- Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) - Education (2017 and 2019, Chair)
- Health and Human services (2013; 2015. 2017 – 2019) - Judiciary (2013; 2015; 2017)
- Legislative Operations and Elections (2013; 2015) - Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2013)
- Ways and Means (2019)

List involvement in organizations or activities benefiting children and/or relevant public or government service and explain how the nominee’s activities have contributed to children, education, or to the betterment of Clark County:

(Cont. from application)

Camp Anytown - *Camp Anytown Las Vegas is youth leadership camp that trains high school students (known as youth delegates) in diversity, community, and inclusivity. Students participate in team building activities, discussion groups, and workshops related to race, gender, power, privilege, LGBTQ+, and interfaith. Tyrone was both an active and influential leader of Camp Anytown. He served for several years as the camps co-facilitator and followed those years as an active alumnus. A strong supporter of diversity, community and inclusion in his own life. Camp Anytown was a cherished community program for Tyrone.*

Nevada Advisory Commission on Mentoring - In 2017, in his role as State Assemblyman, Tyrone sponsored legislation to start the Nevada Advisory Commission on Mentoring (NACOM). The mission of NACOM is to support and facilitate mentorship programs in Nevada for the purpose of addressing issues relating to education, health, criminal justice and employment with respect to socioeconomically disadvantaged children who reside in Nevada. This legislation provided a definition of mentoring, ensuring that programs across the state operate within the same framework thus providing consistent programming in Nevada. Service to mankind.

Continuity of Public Service – At every level of government, local, state and federal Tyrone’s continuity of public service is undeniable from high school leadership roles at Valley HS, Northern Arizona University (NAU) to his Southern Nevada professional career with the State of Nevada, Clark County, City of Las Vegas, and The Nevada State Assembly, to Thompson Career Solutions, he was always about ‘serving the people’. He was and continues to be a public servant role model.

Nevada Legislative Black Caucus Black History Summit – Tyrone saw the need to highlight, celebrate and honor his community. As a member of the Nevada Legislative Black Caucus, Tyrone worked with his colleagues to create the 2019 Black History Summit in Carson City. Busloads of students, community leaders and constituents have made their pilgrimage to the State’s Capital to meet with their representatives and celebrate the achievements of the past and the present and to show the future generations what is possible for them to achieve.

Men of Promise – program providing services to youth aged 14 - 18, the program provides youth positive reinforcement, team building strategies, mentoring, tutoring and general support to participants. Tyrone served as a program advisor and participant mentor.

Las Vegas My Brother’s Keeper Alliance (LVBK) - the LVBK was formed with the goal to address three issues: making sure students are reading at grade level by third grade, keeping students on track to graduate, and addressing the school-to-prison pipeline by reducing racial and ethnic disparities related to disciplinary policies. Tyrone served as the co-chair of the mentoring and community engagement subcommittee.

Safe Space – In response to the rise of violence and gang related crimes amongst adolescents and teens of color, Tyrone Thompson joined a group of concerned community leaders in proposing solutions to reverse the circumstances and address the areas of concern by creating of a Teen Safe Space, designed and governed by youth, located in the area of town most affected. A facility that will operate outside of school hours and serve as a unification of resources committed to the wellbeing of youth. Tyrone assembled a team of service providers including Gentlemen by Choice CDC, Mastering Mindsets and Men of Promise, all of which are designed to support youth safety, development and growth. A Safe Place came together over a 2-year period, building partnerships, finding funding and space, it will launch in Fall of 2019 as a lasting memory to Tyrone Thompson’s service to all mankind.

4. SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON CHILDREN AND/OR EDUCATION IN CLARK COUNTY

Neighborhood College (NC) – Tyrone served as a leader in developing the long-standing Neighborhood College Program which continues to exist today across multiple community jurisdictions in Clark County. The Neighborhood College is a free topic driven interactive, hands on learning experience that engages citizens in the aspects of local government, how it works, and how to be involved. The NC model was so successful it served as the impetus to develop a Neighborhood Youth College for a local middle school (Orr).

Doolittle Mother’s Day Event (2018) – Tyrone’s Mom was his Queen, everyone knows that. It is in that spirit I am reminded of the time he said – “guess what” I am going to do a Mother’s Day event for the seniors at the Doolittle Senior Center. He solicited local BEO leaders to perform a concert to honor Queen Mothers in his community. He was that kind of guy – sharing and caring for others, paying homage and respect to his beloved community.

Back to School Fair – City of Las Vegas Ward 5 – Prior to being elected, Tyrone recognized the need for students to have what they needed. He began as a volunteer for the Ward 5 Back to School Fair, passing out wrist bands to attendees. He made a point to be a part of the wristband team because as the

students waited in line with their parents in the heat, he wanted them to have a cheerful face to greet them. They were not treated like they were receiving a hand out but instead engaged while they stood in line and celebrated for their achievement of promoting to the next grade. He did this for over 15 years, scheduling his life around the event. Vacations would have to wait, activities postponed because he had a commitment to the kids of Ward 5, the neighborhood he grew up in.

Matt Kelly Elementary – As a champion for education, Tyrone selected schools in his district to “dive into,” his dive in took the form of a question, what do you need? How can I help? The call was made across his community to elementary schools like Matt Kelly, high schools like Legacy and Canyon Springs. He wanted to assist schools and strengthen education as both a volunteer and a legislator.

Read to your Barber -Tyrone understood that in order to truly reach people you had to go to them. He’s heard about Read with your Barber in other cities and realized there was not a program in Southern Nevada. He decided that the program was necessary and set out to contact all the barbershops in his district to participate in the program. He provided books and promoted the event, purchasing ad space on radio stations and on social media. He made calls to constituents asking them to participate and engaged with other leaders to participate as well.

Shannon West Homeless Youth Center – The Shannon West Homeless Youth Center (SWHYC) was named for Tyrone’s best friend, Shannon West Redwine. Shannon and Tyrone worked together at Social Service and in the community. Creating programs that supported those most often overlooked, our homeless youth. The SWHYC was a place that Tyrone supported, in fact in his passing his family asked that donations be made to the SWHYC in lieu of flowers because of his love for them and their work.

Skyview YMCA (North Las Vegas) – Participated in the annual Halloween Trunk or Treat Event, providing the best candy and the spookiest table. He believed everything should be done with a spirit of excellence. No event was too small or too big for his unique flair.

5. POSITIVE ROLE MODEL/SPECIAL ATTRIBUTES, TALENTS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, OR CONTRIBUTIONS (Cont. from the application)

“We have lost a truly wonderful and caring man and community servant with the passing of Assemblyman Tyrone Thompson,” **Democratic Sen. Joyce Woodhouse** wrote on Twitter. “We will all greatly miss his infectious laugh and bubbly spirit as he stood up for the students of Nevada and all members of his community.”

"We're deeply saddened by the loss of Tyrone Thompson, a true leader in the fight for liberty. Chairman Thompson was an advocate for children and marginalized communities. The **ACLU of Nevada** proudly supported his resolution urging Congress to prevent the addition of a citizenship question on the 2020 census. His dedication to homeless youth, preventing employment discrimination against those with criminal convictions, and ending the school to prison pipeline is unmatched. He was an outstanding leader and will be sorely missed."

Statement from **Supt. Dr. Jesus F. Jara** on the passing of Assemblyman Tyrone Thompson

“I am immensely saddened to hear of the passing of Assemblyman Tyrone Thompson. He was a tireless advocate for public education, as well as a friend to anyone who speaks up on behalf of children. When I first became Superintendent, he called me and offered to take me through his district to meet his constituents. I saw his passion to improve education through CCSD, especially for underserved students...”

The **City of North Las Vegas** tweeted upon his passing












“We lost a fierce advocate today, a man who brightened rooms with his smile and fought tirelessly for his community. Assemblyman Thompson, you will be missed but never forgotten. North Las Vegas is a better place because of you.”

These are just a few of the many comments made upon his passing, but many celebrated and worked with him while he was alive.

These quotes are just a few of the hundreds that were posted on social media upon Tyrone’s passing. He touched everyone. His love crossed barriers, black and white, public and private, corporate and non-profit, religious and secular, no divide couldn’t be united with Tyrone’s love, passion and compassion. His spirit of excellence made everyone feel special, be it at the cousins sleepover he hosted for over 15 years for his cousins, nieces and nephews, or Bingo at the senior center, the prizes had to be awesome even at the political level, he did more than was required. These are lessons we need to teach the next generation. A school should be named for someone they can look up to and seek to model themselves after. A school named for Tyrone Thompson would do just that for the generations to come.



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07/25/19

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to recommend Assemblyman Tyrone Thompson for consideration as a candidate to have a school named in his honor. I met Tyrone in September of 2013 as he began his tenure as a State Assemblyman. From that day forward, a natural bond and friendship was formed, one which was centered on community service. One of our first interactions was to walk the community as part of the Clark County School District's "Reclaim Your Future" initiative. From that point forward, Assemblyman Thompson remained engaged and completely committed to our school and community.

As a principal of a large urban high school, Tyrone understood our challenges and always offered his full support. He realized that our issues were community issues and that the students were our children and future leaders. When Tyrone's political career began to blossom, his commitment, resolve, encouragement, and impact never deviated from helping our students. In my twenty-eight years as an educator, I have never witnessed a bond like the one Assemblyman Thompson forged with our students and school community. To say that I miss him as a community leader, role model, and confidant would be an understatement.

In carefully reviewing the five components of consideration for naming a school, Tyrone met and exceeded each one. In terms of lasting contributions, he has set the example for countless others to follow. For example, he was instrumental in starting the "Men of Promise Program" at Legacy High School. As a result of his impact, former students have committed to seeing his vision through and will continue to mentor future students in order to see them reach their full potential. In terms of leadership, Tyrone exemplified the concept of leading by example. He worked tirelessly to find the good in others in order provide hope for many individuals who had long lost their place in society. As a life long community servant, he fought for equity and always remained positive in the face of challenge. As an educator, Tyrone impacted students, teachers, and administrators. Because of his humility and intrinsic motivation, many of the people he impacted are unaware of the depth of his contributions. For this and many other reasons, I feel that he should be remembered and his example should never be forgotten.

In closing, I attended a Mentor Leadership Conference with Assemblyman Thompson in November of 2018. For some reason, he was relentless about the importance of my attendance and kept reiterating the importance of our mission. In reflecting, it was almost prophetic that he felt so passionately about that meeting. There is no candidate or public servant who deserves this honor more than Assemblyman Tyrone Thompson. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ken Sobaszek



CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

July 31, 2019

Dear CCSD School Naming Committee,

My name is Congressman Steven Horsford and I have the great privilege of representing the 4th Congressional District of Nevada in the United States House of Representatives. I am writing to show my support for a school named to honor the late Tyrone Thompson. Tyrone was a true community leader and time will not allow me to tell of all the contributions my friend made to our State, but I would like to take a few minutes to highlight the indelible mark he made.

Tyrone, a product of CCSD, loved the Valley View Community and saw his ties to education as a vital part of his identity. He was a proud alumni of Clark High School and truly knew the value of a vibrant community school. Tyrone chaired the Education Committee in the Nevada Legislature's Assembly and regularly met with students, teachers, parents and administrators to ensure the needs of the children was always present in their deliberations.

Assemblyman Thompson served with dignity the 17th Assembly District of Nevada. He held this role earnestly and with a true love for his community. He gave 100 percent, not only during the legislative session but everyday with his constituents. He devoted himself wholly to serving, meeting with constituents and showing up at events all across the valley not to campaign but to show support and learn about areas of need.

My friend was a mentor. Tyrone believed that it was not enough for one to succeed, but much rather our success was complete when we paid it forward. As an Assemblyman he sponsored the Commission on Mentoring and fought to ensure funding was there for this vital work. He spent countless hours assisting mentoring organizations to maximize their efficacy within their issue areas and to ensure that the children of Nevada were always cared for effectively.

The life of Assemblyman Thompson came to a close far too soon. However, his legacy lives on. A school named in his honor will serve as a lasting memorial to a life of service. This will inspire the next generation of community leaders by profiling his life and showing how attainable greatness in life is. With great pride I add my voice to the choir supporting the naming of a school to honor Odis Tyrone Thompson.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven Horsford".

Congressman Steven Horsford
4th District, Nevada

July 30, 2019

School Naming Committee
C/O CCSD Community Engagement Unit

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter of support for the nomination of Tyrone Thompson for namesake of a Clark County School District community school. Assemblyman Thompson was a fierce advocate for the betterment of children in Nevada. Throughout his tenure as a legislator and community advocate, the Assemblyman showed unwavering commitment to the education of children in our state. Assemblyman Thompson paid special attention to the education of historically underserved children and his words often set the tone for how other policy makers and leaders discussed critical education issues.

Even if we disagreed about a particular policy, Assemblyman Thompson was always considerate, well-reasoned and willing to listen. These are the qualities that set him apart as a community leader and an advocate.

There is no question that the Assemblyman's passing was a deep loss for our community. While his legacy will continue in many ways, I can think of no better way to formalize his memory than as the namesake of a public school in this community.

Warm Regards,



Jana Wilcox Lavin
Executive Director

