

“Knowledge will bring you the opportunity to make a difference.”

Claire Fagan

RECENT PARTNERSHIP EVENTS

“David Gonzalez: The Boy Who Could Sing Pictures” On November 26-30, 2018, more than 1,100 elementary students participated in a musical adventure at The Smith Center for the Performing Arts.

2018 Business and Community Leaders & Principal for a Day On November 13, 2018, 70 business professionals shadowed 70 principals for our annual “Principal for a Day” event. Business professionals began their day at their assigned schools and spent time in the classrooms learning about the successes and challenges in the public education system. They then attended a luncheon with Superintendent Jesus F. Jara who shared reflections on his first six months in CCSD. Punam Mathur, Executive Director of the Elaine P. Wynn & Family Foundation, was the keynote speaker.

“Chemistry Poster Awards” On November 11, 2018, prizes were awarded to teacher and student winners. One hundred and seventeen entries were judged by a panel from the American Chemical Society. The top 11 won monetary prizes.

“Green Our Planet Farmers Market” On November 8, 2018, Green Our Planet’s Biannual Student Farmers Market, the largest student market in the United States, was held. More than 400 students from 40 schools in Southern Nevada participated. This free public market takes place in Las Vegas every fall and spring. Students run the market themselves, selling school-garden grown fruits, vegetables, herbs, and crafts to the public.

“Las Vegas Philharmonic Youth Concert Series” On October 30-November 1, 2018, more than 6,500 third grade and fourth grade students, teachers, and chaperones attended the Las Vegas Philharmonic Youth Series. The concerts were held at The Smith Center for the Performing Arts.

“Shriner’s at TPC Youth Day” On October 29, 2018, more than 120 fourth and fifth grade students from Piggott Academy of International Studies participated in a youth day provided by the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

“Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast” On October 24, 2018, more than 350 high school students participated in the interfaith, intergenerational event held at Texas Station. A town hall meeting with students and the mayors, as well as Deputy Superintendent Dr. Diane Gullett, was held immediately after the breakfast where important community issues were discussed.

“Annual Partnership Recognition Breakfast” On October 23, 2018, more than 400 business partners were invited to attend the 2018 Annual Partnership Recognition Breakfast held at the Texas Station. The event honored Project GET SMART as the Blue Ribbon Award Winner. Kathy Yanke and Steve Fuquay were honored for their 20+ years of service with the PAYBAC Program. Several individuals were honored as mentors, PAYBAC speakers, and other Partnership programs received special recognition.

“Las Vegas Book Festival” on October 20, 2018, CCSD students were invited to attend the Las Vegas Book Festival. This festival is the largest annual literary event in Las Vegas. Students from local high schools competed in a poetry writing and recitation competition and 18 authors visited local elementary schools the week leading up to the festival.

“KidsVention” on October 16 2018, more than 1,800 students attended KidsVention held at Henderson Pavilion. KidsVention is a non-partisan event that engages students in the debate and voting process.

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"Ballet Folklorico" On October 16, 2018, more than 1,350 elementary, middle and high school students attended performances of *Ballet Folklorico* held at The Smith Center for the Performing Arts. *Ballet Folklorico de Mexico* brings an entire culture to life on stage. Using music, movement, and rhythm, audiences experience a journey through time and are exposed to the rich traditions and history of Mexico.

"Paige Hernandez: Havana Hop" On October 15-19, 2018, more than 2,400 elementary school students attended performances of *Paige Hernandez: Havana Hop* held at The Smith Center for the Performing Arts. The students journeyed with Yelia as she discovered the fun of her multi-cultural heritage.

"Fossil Day Event and Art Contest Awards" On October 13, 2018, student winners of the "Nevada During Pleistocene" Art Contest were awarded prizes. All student submitted art was on display at the Las Vegas Natural History Museum through mid-November.

"International Walk and Bike to School Day" On October 10, 2018, International Walk & Bike to School Day was held. It is a global event that involves communities from more than 40 countries walking and biking to school on the same day. It began in 1997 as a one-day event. Over time, this event has become part of a movement for year-round safe routes to school. Walk to School Day emphasizes the importance of physical activity and pedestrian safety. This fun event helps to build community connections, reduces traffic congestion around the schools and brings attention to the opportunities and barriers to walking and biking.

ANNOUNCEMENTS DECEMBER-JANUARY EVENTS

**The Nutcracker*

The Smith Center for the Performing Arts
December 13, 2018

**Nevada Ballet Future Dance The Nutcracker*

The Smith Center for the Performing Arts
December 14, 2018

**We the People District Competition*

Sierra Vista High School
December 15, 2018

**The Very Hungry Caterpillar*

The Smith Center for the Performing Arts
January 8-10, 2019

**Innovation Nation*

The Smith Center for the Performing Arts
January 22-25, 2019

**Schoolfest*

College of Southern Nevada
January 29-February 4, 2019

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