

CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT Media Advisory

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Clark County School District hosts Poetry Out Loud contest Students compete for \$500 in prizes, advancement to state finals

WHAT: Thirty students from more than 1,000 initial competitors across Clark County

will perform their finest poetry recitations in the Poetry Out Loud semi-finals. The participants represent 15 local schools, and the winners will advance to the Nevada finals in Reno on March 16 to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship

and \$1,000 for their school's literary programs.

Poetry Out Loud encourages the nation's youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation and helps students to master public speaking skills, build self-confidence and learn about their literary heritage. The state winner will compete at the national level in Washington D.C. for

\$50,000 in scholarships and school prizes.

WHO: Student competitors, some returning for a second, third or fourth contest

Emcee, Judy Myers, assistant director, School-Community Partnership Office

WHEN: Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2013

TIME: 3:30-5:30 p.m.

PLACE: West Charleston Library Theater

6301 W. Charleston Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89146

Editor's note: The event is free and open to the public, with limited seating. For more information about the event, contact Judy Myers in the School-Community Partnership Office, (702) 799-6560.

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