

THE WEEK AHEAD

Week of October 6 – October 12, 2012

Hispanic Heritage Month is September 15 – October 15.

Friday, October 12 - There will be no school due to districtwide professional development. District offices will be open.

Saturday, October 6 - Author Alexandra Zapruder will train teachers in how to use her book "Salvaged Pages" in the classroom. The book is a collection of diary entries from the Holocaust. Additionally, local trainers from the Governor's Council on Education Relating to the Holocaust will work with teachers on how to teach the Holocaust. The training will take place at Northwest CTA. For details, call Brian Boothe at 799-8497.

Saturday, October 6 - Vegas PBS will host its third annual 5K Run & 1-Mile Walk to benefit *Keeping Kids Fit*, an educational outreach program targeting childhood obesity. The event will kick-off 8 a.m. at the Vegas PBS building, 3050 E. Flamingo Road. Sesame Street star and children's favorite Walkaround ElmoTM from Sesame Street TM will be on hand at the event, as well as a high-energy DJ spinning Top 40 favorites, informational booths, healthy refreshments, and awards and prizes for the family-friendly crowd.

Tuesday, October 9 - The Clark County School District Board of Trustees will hold a special board meeting (Community Linkage/Mega PAC) from 9:30 to 11 a.m. in the Valley High School Theater, 2839 S. Burnham Ave., Las Vegas. Discussion topics will include the Capital Improvement Plan and student-owned devices in the classroom. The meeting will be webcast live at www.ccsd.net, and viewers can submit questions while the meeting is under way. Visit http://www.ccsd.net/trustees/pdf/agendas/special-board-meeting-community-linkage-agenda-pdf to view the agenda.

Tuesday, October 9 - Clark County Commissioner Lawrence Weekly and Assemblywoman Lucy Flores will host a Town Hall aimed at giving citizens a forum for questions, answers and frank discussion on the physical condition of our schools across Clark County, and the upcoming ballot question. Citizens will have the opportunity to meet face-to-face with representatives of the Clark County School District. CCSD Superintendent Dwight Jones and Associate Superintendent Joyce Haldeman will be present to answer questions. The Town Hall meeting will be take place at Rancho High School, 1900 Searles Ave., Las Vegas, from 6 - 8 p.m.

Thursday, October 11 - The Board of School Trustees will hold a regular meeting, beginning at 4 p.m., in the Edward A. Greer Education Center board room, located at 2832 E. Flamingo Rd. To view the agenda visit http://www.ccsd.net/trustees/pdf/agendas/10-11-12-regular-board-meeting-agenda-pdf.

Thursday, October 11 - William "Bob" Bailey Middle School will host "BOOK-tober Fest: Scare up a Good Book" from 5 - 7 p.m. Featured will be reading therapy dogs Tails to Tales, scary storytelling in a tent, reader's theatre performances, open microphone poetry reading and book giveaways. The school promises a "howling good time" for all. Call 799-4811 for details.

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Reminders/Awards/Honors -

The I Have a Dream Foundation recently adopted 75 sixth grade students from West Preparatory Academy. The foundation provides support for underprivileged students from elementary school through high school.

Helen Jydstrup and Jack Dailey Elementary Schools are among those benefiting from City National Bank's Third Annual Back-to-School Supplies Drive, held during Sept. 2012.

The CCSD Department of Student Threat and Crisis Response has been nationally recognized for Best Practices in Threat Assessment. The award was presented by Safe Havens International.

Tom Rodriguez, executive manager for diversity and affirmative action in the Clark County School District, has written a book about growing up in the Bottoms area of Topeka and the city's urban renewal project from that era. "The Bottoms: A Place We Once Called Home" is the second book Rodriguez has written about The Bottoms. His previous book was, "Americano, My Journey to the Dream."

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