Week of June 2 – June 8, 2012

Thursday, June 7 - Last day of school.

Saturday, June 2 - It will be east versus west when culinary students from Southwest and Northwest Career and Technical Academies square off against their contemporaries at East and Southeast Career and Technical Academies during the first annual Jr. Iron Chef competition. Both teams will compete for great prizes in the event, presented by the Nevada Beef Council and hosted by Sunny 106.5 personality Tom Chase. The kitchen heats up from 10 a.m. to noon at The International Culinary School at the Art Institute of Las Vegas, located at 2350 Corporate Circle, Henderson.

Monday, June 4 - Ed W. Clark High School will host Trustee Lorraine Alderman, Superintendent Dwight D. Jones and Deputy Superintendent Pedro Martinez to announce the 2012 graduation numbers for the Clark County School District. The announcement will take place in the high school theatre, 4291 W. Pennwood Ave., Las Vegas, during school hours and is not open to the public. Media are invited to attend. Parking is available on the Southwest corner of the school, directly adjacent to S. Arville.

Monday, June 4 - 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. Visit http://www.ccsd.net/trustees/pdf/agendas/060412-regular-board-meeting-agendapdf to view the agenda.


Tuesday, June 5 - Is CCSD cultivating the next Steven Spielberg? Northwest Career & Technical Academy media teacher Kelley Sultan will discuss the recent Las Vegas Student Film Festival during an interview on Inside Education to air at 7:30 p.m. on Vegas PBS, Ch. 10. Also featured will be a conversation with Daniel Topete, graduate advocate coordinator at Western High School. Additionally, correspondent Heather Caputo will report on how a number of teachers across CCSD will soon receive professional development within their own classrooms.

Wednesday, June 6 - The Board of School Trustees will hold a work session, beginning at 8 a.m., in the Edward A. Greer Education Center board room, located at 2832 E. Flamingo Rd. Visit http://www.ccsd.net/trustees/pdf/agendas/060612-agendapdf to view the agenda.

Reminders/Awards/Honors –

More than 18,000 CCSD students will walk the stage in high school graduation ceremonies taking place through June 20, 2012 at various locations throughout Clark County. Visit http://ccsd.net/students/graduation-schedule for a list of schedules.

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Create A Change Now, a local non-profit organization, received a donation of more than $14,000 from Whole Foods Market to help create edible gardens in the fall at at-risk elementary schools in CCSD. As reported by the Las Vegas Review-Journal, Create A Change Now helps schools create gardens and teaches students how to maintain them. Visit createachangenow.org for more information.

Hyde Park Middle School swept the three top spots in the algebra portion of a math competition on May 19, 2012 at Rancho High School. Seventh-grader Matthew Hambacher took first place and received one-year's tuition at UNLV, a $100 gift card and a plaque. Classmates Annetoinete Figueroa and Deev Patel took second and third place respectively, earning gift cards and plaques. Additionally, in the geometry portion of the competition, Hyde Park student Ian Johnson took first place and earned one-year's tuition at UNLV, along with a $100 gift card and a plaque. More than 120 students in grades 6-12 took part in the annual event, sponsored by the Southern Nevada Math Council.

Palo Verde High School student Lauren Kaskie was named to the USA Women's Soccer Under 17 National Team. According to the Las Vegas Review-Journal, Kaskie is one of 20 female soccer players who captured the CONCACAF Cup and a place in the World Cup, beginning in Sept. 2012.

Smith's Food and Drug Stores awarded five $2,000 scholarships to local high school students through the Personal Best Public Education Foundation. As reported by KTNV-TV, recipients "demonstrated a commitment to overcoming adversity, a passion for their ongoing education and have illustrated financial need."

Jack and Terry Mannion Middle School librarian Jacqueline R. Welch-Doubek was honored for her work with the Future City Competition by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) at the National Future City Competition in Washington, D.C. Welch-Doubek was selected from 180 applicants to receive the DiscoverE Educators Award, Honorable Mention. The award is designed to promote the art, science, and practice of multidisciplinary engineering and allied sciences around the globe.

Students from Laughlin High School were among those who performed in the Colorado River Tri-state Directors' Concert at Laughlin High School on May 8, 2012. As reported by the Laughlin Nevada Times, the concert featured 100 guitar players from throughout the area.

Hyde Park Middle School student Erin Stewart is among the 58 students, ages 12-16, who performed in the New York Pops 29th Birthday Gala titled "Journey On" at Carnegie Hall on April 30, 2012. Stewart also performed with the group in the Macy’s Parade in Nov. 2011. As reported by broadwayworld.com, Camp Broadway held a unique three-day program leading up to the performance, "including a series of Broadway workshops, classes and rehearsals to prepare participants for the once-in-a-lifetime performance."

Congratulations to Desert Oasis High School student James Pasley, who made the Nevada State Trapshooting Team for 2011 in the sub-junior category. As reported by the Las Vegas Review-Journal, Pasley tied for the handicap championship and was awarded the championship belt buckle at the Nevada State Trapshoot in Reno. Pasley is a member of the Amateur Trapshooting Association.
Students at B. Mahlon Brown Junior High School and Basic High School collected 32,000 bottles of water for the Las Vegas Rescue Mission during a campaign from May 14-29, 2012. The campaign, organized by Brown JHS teacher Terra Cook, far exceeded the stated goal of 15,000 bottles.

The Alliance for a Healthier Generation announced it will present the Northwest Career & Technical Academy (NWCTA) with a Bronze National Recognition Award. The award recognizes the healthy changes taking place at NWCTA.