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Clark County School District enrollment reaches an all-time high of more than 313,000 students

District expects enrollment to increase; official count day scheduled for Sept. 20

LAS VEGAS - For the first time in its history, the Clark County School District (CCSD) has more than 313,000 students enrolled. The latest enrollment figure comes less than a week after Superintendent Pat Skorkowsky and the CCSD Board of School Trustees began conversations about options to alleviate overcrowding in schools, including possible re-zoning, the use of additional portable classrooms, year-round schedule conversions and future school construction.

"Last week the Board of School Trustees and I kicked off a conversation we will have with our community throughout this school year about our most overcrowded elementary schools," Skorkowsky said. "The latest enrollment numbers are a testament to the urgency of that conversation and the importance of exploring multiple options to meet the challenges of a growing student population. The fact remains that our enrollment numbers are expected to climb even higher and only by working together, as a community, can we reach solutions that are in the best interest of our students and families."

In the coming weeks, continued enrollment growth is expected in most district schools. Overall, elementary schools are 14 percent over capacity. Count Day, scheduled for Friday, Sept. 20, is the State's mandated enrollment reporting date and provides the district with a preliminary student enrollment count for all schools. Student enrollment numbers are sent to the Nevada Department of Education for verification and CCSD will receive its funding from the State based on how many students are enrolled on this day.

CCSD is the fifth-largest school district in the nation, covers more than 7,900 square miles and is home to 357 schools. Since the year 2000, the district has grown by approximately 82,000 students.

For more information about CCSD, including details on upcoming town halls and public meetings on the issue of overcrowding, visit the district's website at www.ccsd.net.

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