

CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS RELEASE

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Community will have the opportunity for safe disposal of medications Event will also feature recycling and free document shredding for non-businesses

LAS VEGAS – The Clark County School District (CCSD) Police Department, in conjunction with the Care Coalition comprised of local law enforcement agencies and business partners, will sponsor a “Pill Take Back Day” event on Saturday, July 26, from 7-11 a.m. This community event will take place at Sierra Vista High School, located at 8100 W. Robindale Road, Las Vegas.

Document shredding and recycling will take place, but the primary focus is to collect expired or unused prescriptions so they can be disposed of in a safe manner, which will also help to keep them out of the hands of children.

“Throughout the nation and locally, we are seeing more children who are abusing prescription drugs, most of which are coming directly from their parents’ medicine cabinets,” said CCSD School Police Officer Robert Mayer. “We are holding this event not only to provide a safe method of disposal, but also to reduce the chances of these medicines falling into the hands of children. The event will also serve as a reminder for parents to secure their medications. We will discuss with them the signs to look for if they believe their children are using drugs.”

At the last “Pill Take Back Day” in June, CCSD police collected 135 pounds of medications. The location for the event changes each time it is held in an effort to serve all areas of the community.

For more information about this event, contact Officer Mayer at 702-366-5244 or 702-799-7830. For more information about the Clark County School District, visit ccsd.net.

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