



## CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS RELEASE

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### **All three 2014 Nevada Principals of the Year Awards go to CCSD principals**

*Principals will be honored by Nevada Association of School Administrators*

**LAS VEGAS** – The Clark County School District (CCSD) congratulates three exceptional principals who were recently named Nevada's 2014 Principals of the Year by the Nevada Association of School Administrators (NASA) for their leadership in education. The three categories– elementary, middle and high school– were all awarded to CCSD principals.

Harriet Treem Elementary School Principal Lee Esplin, Frank F. Garside Junior High School Principal Scarlett Perryman and former Chaparral High School Principal David Wilson will be recognized at NASA's annual Fall Conference in November at the Orleans Hotel and Casino.

#### **2014 Nevada Elementary School Principal of the Year: Lee Esplin, Treem Elementary School**

Lee Esplin has been with CCSD for 20 years where he began his career teaching at various schools before becoming an educational computing strategist. Esplin served as an assistant principal for two years at C.P. Squires Elementary School and was then promoted to principal at King Elementary School before settling at Treem, spending the past 12 years working with teachers, staff, students and community members. In addition to his responsibilities at the school, Esplin has served as the treasurer and secretary for the Clark County Association of School Administrators and Professional-Technical Employees and will serve as president-elect during the 2014-15 school year. He will also serve on the board of directors for the Clark County Association of Elementary School Principals for the 2014-15 school year. Esplin has a vision of empowering teachers to make informed decisions, while driving instruction in their own classrooms.

#### **2014 Nevada Middle School Principal of the Year: Scarlett Perryman, Garside Junior High School**

In her 19 years as a CCSD educator, Scarlett Perryman taught at the elementary level for ten years before moving into administration. In her three years as principal at R.E. Tobler Elementary School, she spearheaded increase in student achievement. Perryman has brought the same results to Garside Junior High in the past four years, sharing the school's academic success with faculty and staff through a team approach to teaching and learning. Described as a true leader, Perryman continues to provide support for teachers to enable students to succeed. Perryman has lived in Las Vegas for 36 years and is a proud graduate of Las Vegas High School and the University of Nevada,

Las Vegas.

**2014 Nevada High School Principal of the Year: David Wilson, Chaparral High School**

Coming from a family of educators, Chaparral High School Principal David Wilson switched from a career as a corporate manager to a teacher. Wilson taught fifth grade for seven years before becoming an elementary assistant principal and principal in inner city schools. Wilson then became a middle school principal, where he was recognized as being "exemplary and high achieving" during his five-year tenure. In 2008, Wilson became the principal of Chaparral High School, which had the highest English Language Learners population in the district at the time. Since 2011, Wilson has found success as a turnaround principal with the highest sustained graduation increases in the nation. Wilson finds value in his ability to build systems for success and to lead people to an understanding of their own minds. Recently, Wilson was promoted to Assistant Chief Student Achievement Officer supervising the rural schools in the district.

To learn more about the Nevada Association of School Administrators, visit [nvadministrator.org](http://nvadministrator.org). For more CCSD news, visit [ccsd.net](http://ccsd.net).

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