

Week of June 9 – June 15, 2012

Friday, June 8, and Saturday, June 9 - The First Annual SummerFest in Henderson will showcase performing and visual arts as well as arts education, demonstrations and hands-on learning. The free event will take place at the Henderson Events Plaza and Ampitheater, 200 S. Water St. Visit Hendersonlive.com or call 267-2172 for more information.

Tuesday, June 12 - Local parent volunteer Maria Kuschel will be featured on Inside Education, airing at 7:30 p.m. on Vegas PBS, Ch. 10. The half-hour program also will include a conversation with CCSD's Debbie Tomasetti regarding the "Reclaim Your Future" campaign.

June 13-15 - Northwest Career and Technical Academy will hold its annual summer camp for girls from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Engineering is the camp's primary focus. Call 799-4640 for details.

June 11-15 and June 18-22 - Cadwallader Middle School will host cheerleading camps. Cadwallader cheerleaders will teach the basics of cheer, stunting, tumbling and jumps. The camps are open to children five and older. Registration forms are available at my.ccsd.net, under the name Kathy Price. For more information, e-mail Kathy Price at kjp337@interact.ccsd.net or call 799-6692.

June 18 to July 27 - Vegas PBS invites parents and children to take part in the ivillage.com PBS Challenge The Challenge features free literacy-building resources for families. Daily activity assignments, delivered by email, will be provided by SuperWHY! and Scholastic.

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.

Summer School information is available online at

http://www.ccsd.net/district/news/general/2012/jun/8/summer-school-information-available-online.

The Clark County School District invites parents to enjoy Summer Fun Learning Activities with their children. Families may visit http://ccsd.net/learn online and click on their children's most recent grade level to find activities to help reinforce the skills that contribute to educational success and prepare for the upcoming 2012-2013 school year.

Arizona Charlie's gave Will Beckley Elementary School a \$440 check to help support future science fair events and family nights. Arizona Charlie's also gave the school more than 800 bottles of water for field day to help students stay hydrated and refreshed.

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Lied Middle School sixth grader Andrew Wyatt won first place in the American Statistical Association's national poster competition in the grade 4-6 category for his poster entitled Show Me Your Colors. Andrew's name and winning poster will be featured in the August issue of AMSTAT News and online at http://www.amstat.org/education/posterprojects/index.cfm.

City National Bank contributed \$5,000 to Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) of Southern Nevada in support of school-based programming with CCSD. BBBS provides site-based mentoring at 10 CCSD elementary schools.

Congratulations to Foothills High School graduating senior Isa Khoury, who has been offered more than \$1.5 million in scholarships. Khoury applied to more than 15 colleges and was accepted by almost all of them with his 4.8 GPA. Many colleges offered him tens of thousands of dollars in scholarships, totaling about \$1.56 million. Ultimately, Khoury opted to accept a full ride scholarship to Harvard, worth about \$216,000.

About 140 CCSD high school students shadowed health care professionals at local hospitals on May 23, 2012, as part of Operation Health Care Bound. Students were selected to participate based on essays about their interest in health care careers. Workforce Connections, the Nevada Hospital Association and the Nevada Institute of Nursing organized the event, which involved hospitals including Desert Springs and St. Rose Dominican.

Wynn Las Vegas treated about 100 Chaparral High School students and teachers to a free "Le Reve" show on June 5, 2012. The Las Vegas Sun quoted Chaparral Swim Team Coach Wendy Holsclaw as saying the experience left the students "on cloud nine." Chaparral senior Ember Currington called it a "once-in-a-lifetime experience."

Elisa Martinez, a fifth grade student at Walter Long Elementary School, was recognized by Las Vegas Mayor Carolyn Goodman and members of the Las Vegas City Council on Wednesday, June 6, for her poster being chosen as the official symbol for National Missing Children's Day.

On Wednesday, June 6, the fifth grade students at Joseph Neal Elementary School commemorated their final day of elementary school by participating in the fourth Annual Joseph Neal Clap-Out. The Clap-Out took place at the conclusion of the Fifth Grade Promotion Ceremony as the entire school lined the hallways in anticipation of the student procession. Once everyone was in place, music filled the school and the graduating students, exiting one class at a time, weaved their way through open doorways, on their last walk through the school.

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For the third consecutive year, the William R. Lummis Elementary School "Bookworm Buddies" team won the Battle of the Books competition. Battle of the Books featured teams of students from 14 CCSD elementary schools reading a selection of eight books throughout the school year. The challenge culminated on Friday, June 1, when all the teams came together with their teachers, parents and administrators at Garside Junior High School to test their knowledge of the books in a "Jeopardy" style competition. In addition to winning the coveted championship cup, members of the winning team, fourth graders Carly Feuquay, Amanda Chambers, Katherine Vernon and Bella Titus, also received a color Nook and gift card courtesy of Scholastic Books, which donated more than \$6,000 worth of titles to CCSD schools as part of the competition.

The City of Henderson honored students who accumulated reading minutes through its APPLE Partnership. Combining the efforts of the city, CCSD, Henderson libraries, and businesses, the program encouraged children to improve their reading skills. Students in the after-school programs Teen Scene and Safekey tallied their reading minutes over the year as part of the APPLE Partnership program. Top winners received certificates of achievement and books of their choice.

Forty CCSD high school students won an essay contest presented by the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, Coca-Cola and CCSD's School-Community Partnership Program. The contest was open to all Clark County high school seniors. Students wrote essays about their commitment to sustainable transportation.

The Mesquite Club Community Service Committee donated \$5,000 to French Elementary School to help purchase reading kits for students. The school was chosen in Dec. 2011 to be the committee's signature project for two years. Members have donated clothing and gifts to students, collected books for the school's library and volunteered to read to students.

The Las Vegas Review-Journal named Centennial High School students Nick Hartle and Tamera Williams Las Vegas R-J's High School Athletes of the Year for 2011-2012.

Sierra Vista High School student Maria Navarro won a brand new MINI Cooper automobile on June 7, 2012, as part of the Clark County School District's "Drive for Excellence" program. She was among 600 students invited to take part in the annual event. All the students had GPA's of at least 3.7 and no unexcused absences. The event was organized by CCSD's School District Community Partnership office.

The Alliance for a Healthier Generation announced that Robert Lunt Elementary School achieved the 2012 Bronze National Recognition Award. Visit www.healthiergeneration.org for more information.