

Education

CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

SUMMER MONTHS SAID TO BE BEST FOR IMMUNIZATIONS

As parents and students anticipate the upcoming summer vacation, the Clark County School District reminds the community that the early summer months are ideal for updating youngsters' immunizations.

Postponing immunizations until late summer, just prior to the fall school session, results in delays and long waiting lines. And, as children must be up-to-date on their shots before entering school, waiting until the last minute might delay registration and

enrollment. Parents are reminded that they may choose to have their private physician administer the inoculations or they may obtain them free of charge at any of the 18 Clark County Health District immunization clinics. Specific times and locations are listed each Sunday in the local newspapers.

Polio vaccine must be administered at two months of age, at four months and again at 18 months of age. These shots must be followed by a booster shot before entering school.

A triple vaccine for diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (DPT) must be administered at two months of age, at four, six and 18 months of age and boosters are required before entering school and every 10 years thereafter.

The measles, mumps and rubella shot should be given at 15 months of age, with no other required shots or boosters.

To obtain details about immunization clinics and schedules, call 383-1357.

Competency Tests

Students in the Clark County School District scored at or above the statewide norm on the Nevada High School Competency Test administered to eleventh graders last November. In compliance with 1977, all students, beginning with the class of 1982, will have to demonstrate proficiency on the test in order to get a diploma.

The test uses 60 items to cover ten skills in reading and 90 items to cover fifteen skills in mathematics. Writing proficiency is judged on the basis of a business letter and a paragraph composed on an assigned topic by the students.

Written notices are now being prepared for the parents of every student tested.

Out of the total number of students taking all three tests, 81 percent demonstrated proficiency in all three subject areas.



Two outstanding students of the K.O. Knudson Junior High School have been selected for the distinguished American Legion Award. The recipients, Anthony Campbell and Jenise Martin, both exhibited exemplary scholastic work, school involvement and community participation.

Campbell, with a grade point average of 3.4, is a member of the National Honor Society, a counselor at the YMCA and a counselor at the local Boys Club. He was named the Outstanding Physical Education Student for 8th grade and he is currently involved in his school's basketball, track and football program. Campbell recently participated in the Walkathon and Jerry Lewis Telethon, and he works in the school cafeteria.

Martin, with a grade point average of 3.6, is also a member of the National Honor Society and a member of the Southern Nevada Junior Gold Association. She participates on Valley's Golf Team and in her school's softball and swim programs. She is a songleader and works as an office aide for Knudson.

Ethel Arture Amassed Incredible Attendance Record—Missed 1 Day in 47 Yrs.

Ethel Arture, first grade teacher at the Lois Craig Elementary School, has an incredible accomplishment to her credit—in a teaching career which spans 47 years, she has missed only one day of work. Once, more than a quarter of a century ago, Ms. Arture literally was forced to take a day off because the dentist refused to open his of-

fice on a Saturday to accommodate her dental needs.

An employee of the Clark County School District since 1958, Ms. Arture has a perfect attendance record for the 23 years she has taught here. Her first assignment when she arrived in Las Vegas was to the now defunct Westside School. Then in 1964,

she transferred to Craig. In all those years, she did not take one day off—not one vacation day!

Applauded as an exemplary teacher and an outstanding employee, her principal, Roland Fagan said,

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