

# Education

## "THE REPORT CARD"

### "Community Support"

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In order for education to be a positive tool by which our children are to blossom, we, as parents, community leaders, teachers, ministers, counselors and concerned citizens, need to continue to turn our attention to the quality of education which our children receive.

As a community, we should be proud because we have played an important role in the success of many of our children.

Many negative obstacles have been placed in the paths of our successful youth in our community, but with their strong motivation to accomplish their personal goals, and positive peer group encouragement and great role model images from community leaders, it has paid off for many of them. It

is success stories of community youth that motivates other children to strive for positive accomplishment and it's community involvement from the entire community that will also be a major positive factor. If we can encourage self-pride in our young children at the preschool level, then we have accomplished a milestone.

As a minority group, the responsibility of our children's success, pride, heritage and self determination is our sole responsibility and we cannot depend on nor place the burden on others. To continue our success rate, we must continue our efforts.

The community should be proud because this year alone the Clark County

## School District Registration Outlined

Student registration in the Clark County School District will be held on August 29-30 and classes will begin for all students in nine-month schools September 3.

Depending on grade level, registration procedures will vary. Elementary school students returning to the

School District graduated several minority students with honors and high scholastic achievement. We now have minority students who are presidents of student councils, honorary societies and members of the various levels of class councils. We are producing students who are competing in varsity quiz programs. Academically, the minority participation is on the rise.

There are community students attending major colleges and universities such as USC, Howard, UCLA, Notre Dame and Tennessee State. Our children should not be taken lightly because many of the negative hurdles they are currently faced with and any economic disadvantages they have faced have not stopped them from becoming productive community leaders.

In order for the community to continue to produce young leaders, then we must concentrate on the education offered to our children and it will only be through educational town hall meetings that we can continue to have a positive impact.

So as concerned parents and citizens, I strongly encourage you to please plan on attending the upcoming town hall educational meeting on August 25, 1985, at the Nucleus Plaza, 932 West Owens, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

same school will not have to register. Parents and guardians of those students however, should notify the school of any change of address or phone number.

Students who will be new to elementary schools, including kindergarten students, need to register at the school office. Parents of new students are requested to contact the school soon after August 1 regarding registration. In the case of students transferring from another school in the district, the new school should be notified as soon as possible so student records can be transferred.

Nevada law requires that children be five years old by September 30 to attend kindergarten, and six years old by September 30 to attend first-grade. In order to register kindergarten or first-grade students not previously enrolled in Clark County schools, a birth certificate is required to establish students' age.

Birth records for children born in Clark County are available at the Vital Records office at the Clark County Health District, 625 Shadow Lane. This year, a wallet-size birth registration card also may be obtained.

Classes will begin at nine-month elementary schools September 3. At schools in the metropolitan Las Vegas area, classes will be daily from 8:50 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. Elementary school hours in Henderson will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Other schools outside the metropolitan Las Vegas area may have different schedules. Information regarding school hours in these areas may be obtained by contacting the school.

Year-round elementary schools will hold registration

August 1-2. Classes will be daily from 8:50 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. Additional information is available at year-round school offices.

Students who will attend classes at Sixth Grade Centers will register at the centers. Buses will leave feeder elementary schools for the Sixth Grade Centers on August 29-30 and return students and parents to feeder schools upon completion of registration.

The first full day of classes at Sixth Grade Centers will be September 3. Daily classes at the centers will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Junior high school students, including new seventh graders, should receive a registration packet in the mail. Any student who does not receive a packet should call the school.

Students new to Clark County and those who have moved during the summer, should call their junior high school after August 1 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Junior high classes, starting September 3, will be held daily from 8:10 a.m. to 2:10 p.m.

Senior high school registration materials will be mailed directly to students, including those entering from junior high school.

The material will provide information on registration times and procedures slated by the school for August 29-30.

Those students who have changed their local residence during the summer, or who are new to Clark County, should contact their senior high school as soon as possible for registration information.

Senior high school classes begin September 3 and will be from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

To obtain more information or assistance about registration, call the Public Information Office of the Clark County School District at 736-5304.

## Nev. School of Arts sets music, visual arts instruction

Nevada School of the Arts offers Music and Visual Arts Instruction to students, ages 2½ through adult. This fine arts education program, in residence at UNLV, provides classes in chamber music, music theory, music history and literature and studio arts. A complete jazz studies curriculum is also available.

Private instruction is offered in voice, piano, strings, woodwind, brass and percussion. The Suzuki method is taught on piano, violin and cello.

Enrollment begins August 26 and is open year-round. For more information, call Nevada School of the Arts at 739-3502.

## CCCC to offer courses on legislative process

Clark County Community College will offer a new course this fall which will tell the "truth" about the Nevada Legislature and the legislative process. The course, Political Process (PSC 104) will be taught by Dr. Nick Horn, a Nevada State Senator and CCCC instructor, at Valley High School on Tuesday evenings from 6 p.m. until 8:55 p.m. The class will begin on September 3 and run through December 17, 1985. It will provide three hours of credit and the fee is \$61.50.

Guest lecturers will include State Senators and Assemblymen, lobbyists, media and newspapers specialists and pressure group leaders.

Registration will be available at the CCCC Cheyenne Campus from August 26 to 30 and at the Henderson Campus on August 28 and 29.

The course promises to offer an "insight" of just how the legislative process really "works" — from the factual and not a theoretical approach. One can learn what the Legislature can do to you as well as how they do it.



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