

Education



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Elementary summer school set

Clark County School District Elementary summer school classes will be held June 16 through July 24. Classes will meet 8 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday.

Class offerings in kindergarten, remedial, resource room and enrichment are available. Based on enrollment, courses in computer, creative writing, art, music movement and drama will be offered at some schools.

Registration forms are available at any school office and must be completed and returned no later than June 6. Parents will be notified before classes start to confirm class registration and site location.

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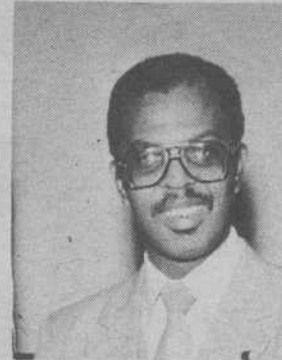
CCCC Chief Meacham pleads for more faculty

RENO--The president of the Clark County Community College told a blue ribbon committee Tuesday the state must allow more full time faculty members at the community colleges if it wants to succeed in its economic diversification program.

Dr. Paul Meacham said the state formula allowing 45 percent full-time faculty and 55 percent part-time staff does not promote the stability needed in teaching some of the basic courses needed for economic development.

Meacham said his school can't attract enough quality people for the part-time instructor's work. These part-time instructors, he

said, have jobs and can only come at night. Yet, he said, he doesn't have all the class space available for them at the night classes.



Dr. Paul Meacham

Meacham supported a recommendation made by the University of Nevada System to the committee headed by Assemblyman Bob Thomas, R-Carson City, which is trying to draft a new support formula.

The recommendation would allow 70 percent full-time faculty for Nevada's community colleges and 30 percent part-time. Meacham said in Texas the state funds

it for 100 percent full-time faculty but he said he would back the 70 percent recommendation.

The committee, to report back to the 1987 Legislature, did not take any formal action on the recommendations which call for increased academic, student, library and plant support for the system. It would cost an additional \$11.4 million. Another meeting is set for June 19 in Carson City.

Meacham said his administration must spend many extra hours looking for part-time teachers. "It's very difficult to get a part-time person," he said.

However, Senate Majority Leader James Gibson, D-Henderson, said one strong point of the community college system was it allowed professionals in the field to teach. He said the students get more practical exposure instead of the academic side. When a student gets out of the class, he has the practical knowledge to go to work.

School District CCCC to ink electronics pact

Officials of the Clark County School District and Clark County Community College will ratify a formal agreement June 6, 8:30 a.m. at Community College to articulate electronics courses from high school through college. School Superintendent Bob Wentz and Community College President Paul Meacham will sign the joint agreement during a meeting of the Articulation Board.

The articulation program is designed to eliminate delays and, at a projected savings to taxpayers, also eliminate unnecessary duplication in high school and college programs. As the term implies "articulation" provides cooperation and unity among the separate but related educational systems — the Clark County School District (high school) and Clark County Community College (a two-year college).

The school district and community college established a formal agreement on May 2. The Articulation Board oversees the development and implementation of articulation programs.

One of the first successful applications of articulation is in electronics. A former school district student who attended community college and went on to launch a successful career in electronics will be at the meeting to share her views on the value of the program, relating it to her own personal success.

"We don't want to lose that," said Gibson.

The question of how to get the money to pay for the changes in the formula for support of the university system was not answered at the session.

Thomas said the state has been using a "bubble gum and Band-Aid approach" in paying for education from a narrow tax base. He said the state has been doing a "great job" but indicated there will have to be more funds to take care of the increased needs of the university.

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