

Spring Enrollment Up Slightly At CCSN Campuses

Spring enrollment for credit course students at Community College of Southern Nevada campuses totaled 16,726, a slight rise of nearly four-tenths of one percent compared to the

same semester last year.

Cheyenne Campus had the largest enrollment at approximately 10,000, with Henderson and West Charleston Campuses splitting the remainder.

In terms of full-time equivalent students, the spring enrollment equates to 6,883.7 FTE students, a 1.66 percent improvement over the 6,770.5 FTE in 1994. Counting non-credit enrollment in continuing education, contract education and customized industrial training, CCSN is Nevada's largest community college serving 24,350 students, a 13 percent jump from last spring.

Eighty-nine percent are part-time scholars with full-time jobs, studying to enhance professional skills and advance careers by enrolling in college credit courses and occupational skill training. Fifty-four percent are women

with more than half working as heads of households.

The college offers two-year associate degrees and one-year certificates of achievement in more than 70 career fields. CCSN students can also transfer course credits toward undergraduate degrees at four-year colleges and universities.

Registration for an innovative summer session featuring added faculty, greater course variety and more flexible class times to better coincide with student work schedules will be announced soon. Based on these initiatives, CCSN hopes to double 1994's summer session access of 4,610 students.

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**A Howard Doctorate
is Still Valued**

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Did you know that 15 historically African American colleges award doctorate degrees? This may be a well kept secret from many, but for those who have gone through these programs, that time, energy and money spent there was well worth it—and employers also agree.

Some students still pursue advanced studies for prestige, better salaries, potential promotions or to complete professional requirements of a present job. Aside from individual gains, there are social and cultural benefits that come from graduate education.

For example, society benefits by the presence of physicians because they improve public health as well as helping the particular patients being treated.

A good supply of lawyers helps a nation to conduct its affairs under a rule of law. The presence of historians preserves one's heritage, while the presence of artists enriches our experience.

There is also a "standby effect," as the late Howard Bowen, President Emeritus of the Claremont Graduate School, called it, of having in the society people with enhanced skills and specialized knowledge that may not seem essential at the moment, but suddenly becomes so when problems emerge that urgently require their use.

Whereas many people view the historically African American institutions as being undergraduate driven, we again bring to the attention of some,

the fact that graduate study is alive and well at predominantly U.S. African colleges. The following is a sampling of some schools offering both masters and doctoral programs:

Alabama A&M University offers graduate degrees in twenty-seven areas, including a doctorate in Applied Physics. **Clark Atlanta University** has thirty-one programs, including sixteen doctoral programs.

Florida A&M University has twenty-eight programs, including doctoral programs in Pharmacy and Toxicology. **Grambling State University** has thirteen programs, including a doctoral program in Education.

Howard University offers degrees in ninety-six disciplines, including forty-four doctorates. **Interdenominational Theological Center** has three graduate programs; one doctorate.

Jackson State University has thirty-five programs, including a doctorate in Education. **Meharry Medical College** offers doctorates in five fields.

Morgan State University offers thirty-three graduate degrees, including doctorates in Educational Administration and Urban Education. **North Carolina A&T State University** offers thirty-three graduate degrees, including a doctorate in Engineering and Applied Sciences.

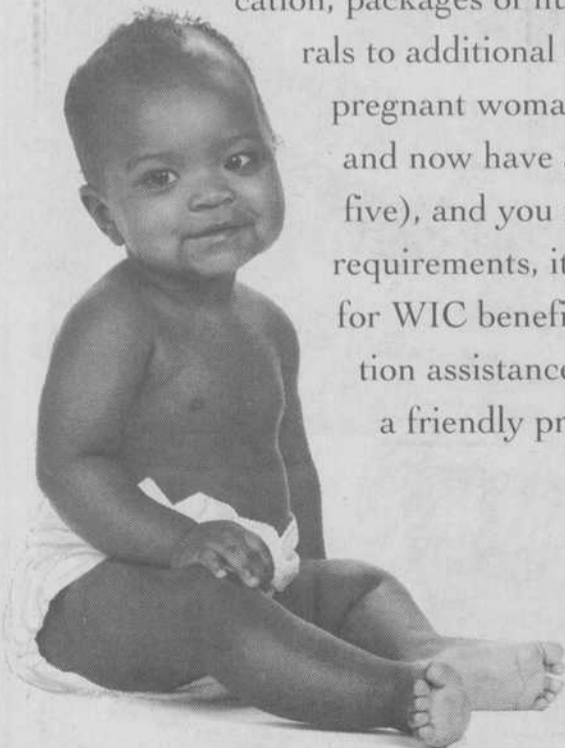
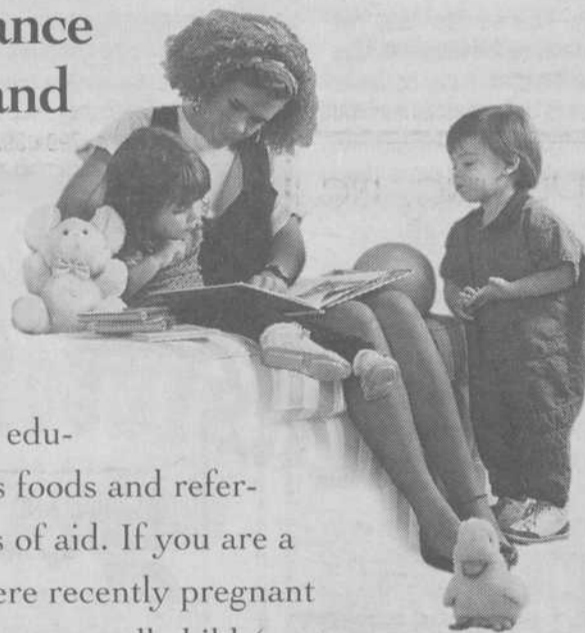
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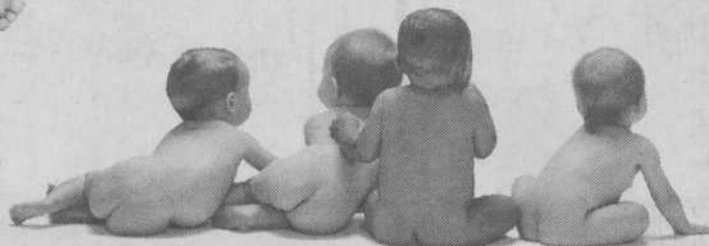
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