



# CARSON CITY

## School District

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### A NOTE FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT

Welcome back to school! Like many of you, I am looking forward to the 2022-2023 school year. How wonderful it is to have our buildings come alive again with students and staff who bring with them the renewed promise of exciting learning opportunities, making new acquaintances and gaining the essential skills needed to enter into the next stage of their educational path or career. Our families are a critical and necessary partner in this endeavor. In supporting that effort, our quarterly newsletter is designed to keep you informed regarding the great things that are happening within the district!



Incredible teachers, support staff and administrators work tirelessly to provide an excellent experience for your student(s). We want your child to be successful. We care about each and every student. We focus on the individual needs of every student and seek to provide the resources necessary for success. Student safety continues to be the highest priority. We want students to feel comfortable at school and know that our sole purpose is to support them as they become productive citizens. The new school year is a great time to discuss safe practices with your student. Whether your child rides a bus or bike to school, safe practices will help to protect our most valuable resource...our children! We look forward to working with you this school year, and we thank you for sharing your child with us! We thank you for your continued support and hope you consider a volunteer opportunity or job in our schools so that support can positively impact so many more of our Carson kids.

Sincerely,  
Andrew Feuling, Superintendent, Carson City School District

### NEW BUS ROUTES AND EXTENDED WALKING ZONES



Due to recent, increasing bus driver shortages, we have modified the walking zones for all high school and middle school students from 2 miles to 2.5 miles for the 2022-2023 school year. Additionally, some bus routes have been consolidated for elementary, middle and high school routes. If your student(s) have previously ridden the bus, please [click on this link to see the updated bus schedules](#). You should be able to locate bus stops closest to your home based on your child's designated school. Where possible, parents and families are encouraged to transport their students to and from school. We appreciate your continued patience and understanding as we implement these changes.



## WELCOMING PARENT AND FAMILY VOLUNTEERS BACK IN THE CLASSROOM!

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The online [volunteer application portal](#) for new and returning volunteers is now available! We are now using Raptor as our volunteer management system. Raptor will simplify and standardize parent and volunteer engagement across the District. We encourage you to complete your application and get your approval as soon as possible, so you are ready to volunteer when an opportunity arises and we can easily communicate with you.



If you want more information about the volunteer vetting process or have questions regarding volunteer opportunities, you may contact Carson City School District's Volunteer Coordinator at [csimmons@carson.k12.nv.us](mailto:csimmons@carson.k12.nv.us) or 775-283-2061.

## REQUIRED VACCINATIONS: MENINGOCOCCAL (MCV4) AND TDAP

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All current **12th graders (seniors)** attending any Nevada public, private or charter school for the 2022-2023 school year, **must have a second dose of the MCV4** (meningococcal) vaccine and all **7th graders** must have their **first dose of MCV4 and Tdap**.

There is a regional shortage for both vaccines, but Nevada Health Centers does have MCV4 and Tdap doses available and is working diligently to immunize as many students as possible within the coming weeks. We have also been made aware that many local

pharmacies like CVS or Walgreens may have additional supplies. If you have not already, please make an appointment.

As such, if you or your student was not immunized prior to the first day of school, they will be "conditionally enrolled," and will be notified (by phone and mail) when additional supplies become available.

For more information or questions, please contact Sheila Story, chief nurse, 775-283-1675 or [ssstory@carson.k12.nv.us](mailto:ssstory@carson.k12.nv.us).

## NEW PRINCIPALS AND ADMINISTRATORS

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First-day jitters are not just for students. We were pleased to announce the appointment of 13 new principals and district administrators for the 2022-2023 school year.

- **Dan Sadler**, associate superintendent of Human Resources
- **Spencer Winward**, director of Fiscal Service
- **Christine Perkins**, director of Grants and Special Projects
- **Amy Robinson**, principal of Carson Middle School
- **Jon “Shelby” Tuttle**, principal of Empire Elementary School
- **Chelise Crookshanks**, principal of Mark Twain Elementary School
- **Josh Billings**, vice principal of Career and Technical Education at Carson High
- **Jeremy Lewis**, vice principal of Carson Middle School
- **Kari Pryor**, dean of students at Carson Middle School
- **Greg Thetford**, vice principal of Eagle Valley Middle School
- **Carolyn Cook**, vice principal of Bordewich Bray Elementary School
- **Jeff Hurzel**, vice principal of Fremont Elementary School
- **Hannah Etchison**, special projects coordinator, McKinney Vento & Foster Care



[Click here](#) to read about each of these leaders’ background and professional experience.

## ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

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Here is a quick reference to the [2022-2023 Academic School Calendar](#). This document details the start and end times of each school within the district, as well as minimum day dismissal and early release times for each school site. Please note those early release days for Professional Development will be on Wednesdays.

Take some time to plug in all those important school dates in your calendar. These include **Early Release Days**, **Minimum Days**, and **Holidays**. Also take time to note **Winter** and **Spring Break** dates as well as **Parent Conferences** and **Graduation**

and **Middle School Promotion dates**, which can all be [found here](#).

## STILL SEEKING TO FILL POSITIONS

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The Carson City School District is always looking for talented people to help shape the future of education. Our employment compensation and benefits package is one of the most generous and comprehensive packages in Nevada. Full-time employees receive a full range of benefits including medical, dental, vision, employer paid Nevada PERS retirement, generous time off and bonus pay from \$1000 to \$2000 depending on the position. Our comprehensive benefits package is designed to help our employees and their families thrive. Here are a few positions that we are currently looking to fill:

- Bus Drivers (safely transport students to/from school)
- Bus Attendants (assist students/drivers on Bus)
- Cook/Bakers (cook/bake and serve our students)
- Crossing Guards (assist crossing streets in AM/PM)
- Mechanic (service district vehicles)
- Noon Duties (help in lunchroom/recess)
- Paraprofessionals (assist teachers/students in classroom)
- Substitute Teachers (fill in for classroom teachers)

Many more positions are [listed on our website](#). Begin your adventure by applying for one of our open positions today. To establish a complete pre-employment file, please visit our website at [carsoncityschools.com](http://carsoncityschools.com).



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## DIGITAL RESOURCES FOR PARENTS

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### PARENT DASHBOARD

On the Carson City School District [website](#), the [Parent Dashboard](#) contains several digital resource for parents and families. Find access to [ParentSquare](#),

[Infinite Campus](#), [Google Classroom](#) and more. Please take some time to poke around the site to equip yourself with needed resources to help your student succeed.

## NUTRITION PROGRAM UPDATES



The Carson City School District's [Nutrition Services](#) is pleased to announce that the State of Nevada has invested \$75 million for free school meals in Nevada schools operating the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) to continue pandemic recovery and ensure students have food to eat by providing free school breakfast and lunch. NSLP is administered through the Nevada Department of Agriculture.

School meals have been free since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March of 2020 through U.S. Department of Agriculture waivers. Prior to the pandemic, the only meals provided for free or at a reduced rate were to students whose families met eligibility requirements. The approval of this funding will provide another year of free meals to schools operating NSLP and allow families more time to recover.

The more families who fill out the Free and Reduced Lunch eligibility applications will increase the amount of federal funding through NSLP and reduce the amount of state funds needed, allowing those funds to be utilized in other ways. Families that have not filled out the Free and Reduced Lunch eligibility application, regardless of anticipated eligibility, should reach out to their school to complete the application.



Free school meals are one of several resources available to students and their families this year including the Affordable Connectivity Program providing a \$30/month discount on home broadband services, childcare resources and other food assistance services. We are excited to continue to feed all of our students for free. Meals will be provided at the student's request. Parents and families may also contact Nutrition Services at 775-283-2150, if they have additional questions.

## REMINDER: SCHOOL ZONES ARE 15 MPH



Nevada law prohibits people from driving faster than 15 miles per hour in a school zone, which are sections of streets or nearby streets adjacent to school property or near streets where students travel before and after school. Please be safe and patient, especially with our school crossing guards, and always be courteous with other drivers and pedestrians. Also note that **drivers are not allowed to make a U-turn or to overtake and pass another vehicle** in a school zone (as in the case where there are five lanes of traffic on Saliman Road near Carson High, Fremont Elementary and Seeliger Elementary).

SLOW FOR **school** ZONES  
This sign indicates the beginning of a **15 mph** school zone.  
KNOW YOUR ZONE, CARSON CITY

## BULLYING AND SAFETY TIP SYSTEM: SAFEVOICE

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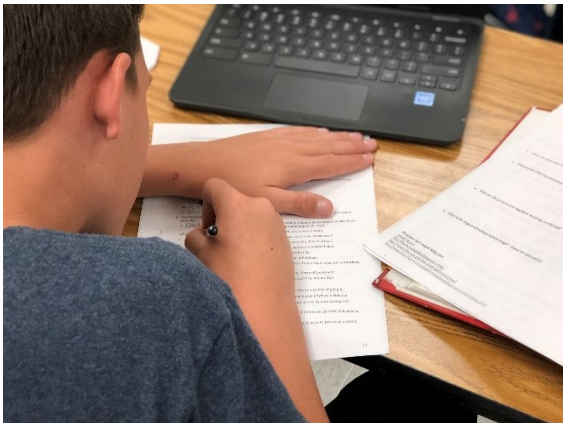
Carson City School District provides a 24/7/365 (24-hour, 7-days-a-week, 365-days-per-year) safety tool. [SafeVoice](#) is a live tip reporting system for school safety and student well-being offered in partnership by the [Nevada Departments of Education](#), the Nevada Department of Public Safety and, more locally, the Carson City Sheriff's Office to all K-12 schools, students, parents and community members in Nevada.

Students, parents and community members can report concerns about their friends or themselves by using the free SafeVoice app, calling 1-833-216-7233 (SAFE) or visiting [safevoicenv.org](#). The reporting tool is easy to use, and when the person who reports an incident logs back in, he or she is able to dialogue with SafeVoice Communications Specialists who will determine if law enforcement is needed immediately to protect life safety. Reports are sent to the schools where administrators and counselors will respond with support, intervention and a safety plan for the child of concern. Similarly, any reports, where law enforcement are needed, will be sent directly to dispatchers in Carson City. Reporters may remain anonymous, and by law, all reports are confidential – they are never shared outside of the SafeVoice response system.



## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

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According to [NRS 392.040](#), except as otherwise provided by law, each parent, custodial parent, guardian or other person in the State of Nevada having control or charge of any child between the ages of 7 and 18 years shall send the child to a public school during all the time the public school is in session in the school district in which the child resides unless the child has graduated from high school.

Too many missed days of school, regardless of whether absences are excused or unexcused, can leave children falling behind in reading and math. Research publicized by initiatives such as the Campaign for Grade-Level Reading

show that starting in kindergarten, students who are chronically absent, (defined as missing 10% or more of school) are less likely to read by the third grade.

Similarly, chronic absence is also an early warning sign of failing courses in middle school leading to a greater chance of dropping out of high school. Chronic absences are especially challenging for low-income students whose academic achievement is affected the most by missed instructional time in the classroom.

Other community benefits of better student attendance include a decrease in crime. The old adage: 'Idle hands are the devil's workshop' certainly holds true. "When our students are at their desks in school, our community is safest," said Carson City Sheriff Ken Furlong.

## SCHOOL CLOSURES



We wanted to provide you with information that will be helpful in the event of [school delays or closures](#) caused by wintry, unhealthy or unsafe conditions. If you would like to read more about school emergency operations, Board Regulation 805 can be found on the District's webpage at [carsoncityschools.com](http://carsoncityschools.com) within the "School Board" tab or [by clicking here](#).

Should it be necessary to delay the start of a school day or cancel school due to severe or unsafe weather conditions, you will most likely hear about the decision from a [ParentSquare](#) message, the district website, district social media channels or through local news sources. As early as 6 a.m., a message about a school delay or closure will come in the form of an automated text and/or telephone call. This text or call from the District Office will provide you with the general details for the day. A banner on our home page will also display the essential information as early as 6:00 a.m. on a day when the weather is questionable. If you have not already, please FOLLOW and LIKE our social media channels including Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Beginning as early as 5:15 a.m., watch or listen to your favorite local TV or Radio stations to get updates about changes to school schedules.

Extreme weather swings are possible in Carson City. Here are some terms that you will want to understand about school delays or closures.

1. **Delayed Start** – Schools will start two-hours later than usual. All Pre-K classes are canceled. Principals will adjust the school schedule for the shortened day. Educators and staff should arrive safely and as early as they are able, well before school is to begin on the shortened schedule. They should take caution and plan 2-times their normal travel time depending on driving conditions. The school day will typically end at the normal time. **Breakfast will not be served.**
2. **Closure** – Schools will be closed for the entire day. All employees, students and teachers (with the exception of [Emergency Response Team members](#)) should remain home. No student activities, school-work or programs will occur, including remote instruction. This includes school-course assignments, homework, afterschool programs and practices. No school services such as transportation, nutrition or student health will be provided. Please note that the [Nevada Department of Education has given guidance](#) that if a school is closed because of natural disaster, inclement weather, accident or any other extraordinary circumstance, the day/time **cannot be shifted to a 100% distance or remote learning day** and will need to be made up at the end of the school year.

### District & School Telephone Numbers

School District Offices	775-283-2000
Carson High School	775-283-1600
Pioneer Academy 1-12	775-283-1300
Carson Middle School	775-283-2800
Eagle Valley Middle School	775-283-2600
Bordewich/Bray Elementary School	775-283-2400
Empire Elementary School	775-283-1100
Fremont Elementary School	775-283-1200
Fritsch Elementary School	775-283-1400
Mark Twain Elementary School	775-283-1000
Seeliger Elementary School	775-283-2200
Adult Education	775-283-1350
Early Childhood	775-283-2350
Carson Montessori	775-887-9500

3. **Early Release** – In the unlikely occurrence that conditions warrant early release from school, after-school programs, practices, performances and contests, including interscholastic athletic events will likely be cancelled.
4. **Parent Discretion** – If at any time you feel that conditions are unsafe to take or send your student to school, you may keep your child home for the day regardless of the District’s decision to hold school. The schools will support your decision and work with you to make-up any school work or assignments.

## ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE REGARDING SMOKE SCHOOL CLOSURES

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The Carson City School District will use the [U.S. EPA "Air Now" website](#) to determine whether school will be cancelled. If needed, the superintendent will review the AirNow.gov Air Quality Index (AQI) and the day’s weather forecast. If the **AQI is reported at or above 400** by AirNow.gov for the 89701 zip code by 5:30 a.m. and the weather forecast predicts that conditions are not expected to improve, all employees, students and families will be notified that **school will be cancelled**. Additionally, if the school day begins and the AQI reaches or exceeds 400, school will remain in session for the day and students and

staff will remain indoors.

On days where the Air Quality Index (AQI) is “Unhealthy” or above 150 AQI, all outdoor activities including athletics, physical education and recess will be canceled or moved indoors.

We remind families that our building management system adheres to fresh air standards and has taken steps prior to the start of school to contract with a HVAC specialist to perform a HVAC Readiness and Pre-Occupancy Assessment so that staff, students and families can return to the schools with confidence. This activity has been performed on HVAC, filtration, ventilation and domestic water systems. A final engineering report was produced and summarizes the general recommendations of OSHA, CDC and ASHRAE. Additionally, we upgraded air filtrations systems to at least a MERV-13 filter for all air-handling equipment. System filters are changed 3 times per year.

We feel the safest and best place for students to learn during a scheduled school day is in their desk at school. However, we encourage parents to use discretion. Students with respiratory or other pre-existing health conditions may necessitate individual adaptation. Additionally, if parents have not already done so, please coordinate any medical related needs with the school nurse or health aide.

If at any time parents feel that conditions are unsafe to take or send their student to school, they may keep their child home for the day regardless of the district’s decision to hold school. The schools will support the parent’s decision and work with them to make up any school work or assignments. However, students who do not attend school will be counted as absent.

On days where air quality is unhealthy, school buses will operate with all windows closed. For those concerned about their student(s) waiting outside at a bus stop or walking to school, we would invite



families to make arrangements to transport their child(ren) to and from school and avoid the unhealthy conditions as best as possible.

We would also remind parents and families that **if you do not receive a text**, email or phone call or see a banner announcement on the [district's homepage](#) indicating a delayed start or school closure, **schools will remain open and in session**.

If schools are closed because of a natural disaster, inclement weather, accident or any other extraordinary circumstance, per [instruction from the Nevada Department of Education](#), Smoke Days are not considered "days in school" regardless of the digital ability to provide remote instruction. Consequently, neither teachers nor students are expected to participate in remote learning activities during a canceled school day.

On days where school has been canceled, teachers should not assign homework using virtual means and assignments will not be due until the next regular day of in-person instruction. Additionally, no student activities, school-work or programs will occur, including remote instruction via Pioneer Academy. This includes school-course assignments, homework, afterschool programs and practices. No school services such as transportation, nutrition or student health will be provided.

With any school closure, students and employees should expect an extension of the school year, further extending school days in June. As such, families and employees should not schedule vacations or expect to exit the school year before calendar obligations are met.

## OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS!

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As you and your family prepare for the winter months ahead, here are some useful tips.

**Be prepared:** Keep your automobile with enough fuel and in good working order for winter travel. Snow tires and/or tire chains may help while driving on snowy or icy roads. New wipers and clean windows will be important. A fully charged mobile phone may come in handy.

**Plan ahead:** Allow plenty of time for your student to eat breakfast at home. Breakfast will not be served at school if a delayed start has been called. If you rely on child care, speak to your provider about alternate plans if school schedules change. Leave your home early enough to compensate for hazardous driving conditions.

**Stay informed:** Use the local media to learn about changes to school schedules, road conditions, and relevant weather forecasts. District sources such as the website ([carsoncityschools.com](http://carsoncityschools.com)), automated phone calls, text messages or emails can help keep you informed.

**Stay safe:** Dress accordingly; have your children wear protective outer clothing including warm articles such as boots, a hat, gloves and a coat. Automobile speeds should be appropriate for the road conditions. Use your headlights as needed. Drive defensively.

## SLEEP AND HEALTH

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Adequate **sleep contributes to a student's overall health and well-being.** Students should get the proper amount of sleep at night to help stay focused, improve concentration and improve academic performance.

Children and adolescents who do not get enough sleep have a higher risk for many health problems, including obesity, type 2 diabetes, poor mental health and injuries. They are also more likely to have attention and behavior problems, which can contribute to poor academic performance in school.



How much sleep do students need? It depends on their age. The American Academy of Sleep Medicine has made the following recommendations for children and adolescents:

Age Group	Recommended Hours of Sleep Per Day
6-12 years	9 to 12 hours per 24 hours
13-18 years	8-10 hours per 24 hours

Additionally, **healthy students are better learners**, and academic achievement bears a lifetime of benefits for health. However, youth risk behaviors, such as physical inactivity, unhealthy dietary behaviors, tobacco use, alcohol use and other drug use, which are consistently linked to poor grades and test scores and lower educational attainment.

## REMAIN APPRISED OF THE LATEST NEWS

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Log on to our website, [carsoncityschools.com](http://carsoncityschools.com), regularly to remain updated on all the wonderful events and accomplishments occurring across the district as we transition through the fall months together. This tool will inevitably help you stay informed as we continue through another fun and exciting school year.

And if you don't already, be sure to "[LIKE](#)" us on [Facebook](#), and choose to "[See First](#)" so you never miss an important news update. Also find us on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

## NOTABLE FUTURE DATES (Dates & Times are Subject to Change)

Please refer to the School District's [Academic School Calendar](#) for additional information regarding district professional learning and early release days, school holidays and other important information. Below are some notable and important future dates.

Aug. 26-27 (Fri.-Sat.)	Carson High Youth Basketball Camp, 5:30-7:30 p.m. (Fri.), 9 a.m. – 12 noon (Sat.)
Aug. 29 (Monday)	Carson High School "Open House," 5:45 – 8:00 p.m.
Sept. 5 (Monday)	<b>Labor Day (School Holiday)</b>
Sept. 13 (Tuesday)	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Community Center, Robert Crowell Board Room
Sept. 14 (Wednesday)	<b>District Professional Learning, Minimum/Early Release Day</b>
Sept. 21 (Wednesday)	Community PLC Meeting, 6 p.m., Carson High School Library
Sept. 27 (Tuesday)	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Community Center, Robert Crowell Board Room
Sept. 28 (Wednesday)	<b>District Professional Learning, Minimum/Early Release Day</b>
Oct. 11 (Tuesday)	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Community Center, Robert Crowell Board Room
Oct. 12 (Wednesday)	<b>District Professional Learning, Minimum/Early Release Day</b>
Oct. 19 (Wednesday)	<b>District Professional Learning, Minimum/Early Release Day</b>
Oct. 25 (Tuesday)	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Community Center, Robert Crowell Board Room
Oct. 25 (Wednesday)	<b>Minimum Day</b> Elementary Schools Only – Dismissal at 12:40 p.m.
Oct. 26 (Thursday)	<b>Minimum Day</b> Elementary Schools Only – Dismissal at 12:40 p.m.
Oct. 27 (Friday)	<b>Minimum Day</b> Elementary Schools Only – Dismissal at 12:40 p.m.
Oct. 28 (Friday)	<b>Nevada Day (School Holiday)</b>
Nov. 8 (Tuesday)	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Community Center, Robert Crowell Board Room
Nov. 11 (Friday)	<b>Veteran's Day (School Holiday)</b>
Nov. 16 (Wednesday)	<b>District Professional Learning, Minimum/Early Release Day</b>
Nov. 21-25 (Mon.-Fri.)	<b>Thanksgiving Break (School Holiday)</b>
Nov. 22 (Tuesday)	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Community Center, Robert Crowell Board Room
Nov. 30 (Wednesday)	<b>District Professional Learning, Minimum/Early Release Day</b>
Dec. 13 (Tuesday)	School Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Community Center, Robert Crowell Board Room
Dec. 20 (Tuesday)	<b>CHS and PHS Only Minimum Day</b> , CHS dismiss at 11:40 p.m., PHS at 11:50 p.m.
Dec. 21 (Wednesday)	<b>District Professional Learning, Minimum/Early Release Day</b>
Dec. 22-Jan. 6	<b>Christmas Break (School Holiday)</b>

## COMMUNITY PLC MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21

The Carson City School District is needing local community members to attend the quarterly Community Professional Learning Community, PLC, meeting Wednesday, Sept. 21, 6 p.m., inside the Carson High School Library.

The purpose of the meeting is to accumulate feedback from community members on how the district's strategic plan is performing and suggest ideas and systems to meet the goals and objectives of the plan.



## EAGLE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL RIBBON CUTTING



Carson City School District's administrators, trustees and construction manager CORE Construction celebrated the completion of a three-year expansion project [enlarging Eagle Valley's educational facilities](#) to help balance out the total needs of the city's burgeoning student population between its two middle schools. The new building, now providing the campus



12 additional classrooms, two STEM labs, workroom and office space, storage areas, restrooms and outdoor areas such as an amphitheater, officially broke ground in June 2021 and hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony Friday, Aug. 5, 2022. The school is considered one of the most efficient and technologically advanced in

the area. Staff members, students and families are excited about the learning opportunities and teaching reprieve it will bring for the 2022-23 school year and beyond.



Director of operation services Mark Korinek, who has overseen the project since its inception, said the building is Carson City's largest capital expansion and it's the only two-story project within the past 15 years. Whatever challenges the project seemingly faced in its early phases ultimately worked out for the best. Watch how some EVMS students celebrated the campus expansion as they were featured on [KOLO 8 News](#).

## CHS AND PIONEER SUMMER GRADUATES

Congrats to these summer Pioneer Academy and Carson High School graduates! Mr. Zona and Mr. Chambers shared words of inspiration about the power of grit and perseverance. "Despite incredible odds, you refused to give up, and you are a graduate. The world can take many things from you, but they can never take your education and diploma," Principal Chambers said. "We are very proud of the senior class of 2022 in Carson City who completed their coursework at both high schools. They did not let a global pandemic and the challenges of life get in the way of completing their high school diplomas," Principal Zona said. Well done all of you!



## BACK-TO-SCHOOL EVENTS

Prior to the start of the school year, we celebrated back-to-school events at all of our schools. Whether it was Senator Kickoff or Freshman Orientation at Carson High or a Sneak Preview or boot camp at Carson Middle and Eagle Valley Middle School, respectively; both teachers, students and parents alike enjoyed the nuances of visiting school again. All six of our elementary schools also celebrated back-to-school events. The excitement and anticipation of the first day of school was really hard to contain.



## FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FEATURED LIVE ON THE NEWS



Fritch Elementary School Principal Dan Brown and several students were able to discuss their experiences from the first day of school. News anchors at the station were extremely impressed with the students and wanted to know additionally what they wanted to be when they grow up. They were excited and nervous for the new school year. See the full [LIVE interview from News 4](#) here.

## NEW EMPLOYEE AND NEW TEACHER ORIENTATION

We love the excitement before school starts! We welcomed 63 new teachers to our district this year. In total, more than 150 individuals joined us for new employee orientation meetings. Welcome aboard! We are excited to work with you.



## CARSON HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE



Parents and students are encouraged to attend [Carson High School's Open House](#) Monday, August 29, from 5:45 to 8:00 p.m. Parents will be able to follow their students' class schedule during the Open House.

If neither student nor parents plan to attend, students should inform their parents of their class schedule, which can be found on the student's Infinite Campus account or their parent's IC account.

## CARSON HIGH BASKETBALL CAMP

The Carson High School Boys' Basketball Staff will host a [Youth Basketball Camp](#) this Friday and Saturday, August 26 & 27, at Carson High School for boys and girls in grades 3rd through 9th. All skill levels are welcome. Cash or check payment of \$50 can be made at the door. All proceeds benefit the Carson High School Boys' Basketball Program.



**SENATORS**

**BACK TO SCHOOL BASKETBALL CAMP**  
8/26-8/27

Instruction provided by the  
Carson High Boys Basketball Staff  
All skill levels welcome!

8/26 5:30-7:30 PM  
\*Check in starts at 5:00

8/27 9:00 AM-12:00 PM



## STUDENT HONORED FOR HELPING APPREHEND A WARRANTED CRIMINAL



Avery Meznarich, fourth grader at Mark Twain Elementary School, was honored by Carson City Sheriff Ken Furlong as part of the national “If You See Something, Say Something” campaign during the City Supervisors meeting August 18. She was recognized for providing excellent intel and photographs to the sheriff’s office, which helped apprehend a warranted sex-offender from California who was suspiciously lurking at a park in Carson City earlier this month.



Avery was accompanied by her mother, Ashley Meznarich, a first-grade teacher also at Mark Twain Elementary, and was awarded a hero’s certificate along with a custom badge and key chain from the sheriff’s office and some lapel pens from Mayor Bagwell. Students in both

Avery’s and Ashley’s classes at Mark Twain Elementary were able to watch the awards presentation via the LIVE feed from YouTube in Mrs. Meznarich’s classroom.



According to Sheriff Furlong, in this particular case, Avery’s astute observations and her immediacy of sharing photos and information with dispatch helped the Carson City Sheriff’s Office move quickly and remove the immediate threat. Watch the [KRNV, News 4 report here](#).

## OTHER GREAT STORIES FOUND HERE:

There is so much great news about Carson City School District. Below are links to some of the recent and popular stories from events and activities throughout the district.



### Carson City Teacher’s Audiobook Honored

Posted on 07/29/2022

Bordewich Bray Elementary School teacher Kinkade DeJoseph’s book “The Raven and the Crow: Dark Storm Rising” has received “Best Audiobook Narration” at the 2022 Imadjinn Awards, held at this year’s Imaginarium Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. [READ MORE...](#)



### **Carson City Youth Everett Hogan a 2022 PBS Reno Spotlight Finalist**

Posted on 07/23/2022

Carson Middle School student Everett Hogan has been named a finalist for the 2022 PBS Reno Spotlight in the Extraordinary Youth category. PBS Reno presents the Spotlight Awards, a community awards show highlighting individuals and community groups making a positive impact in our region. Winners will be revealed at the PBS Reno Spotlight Awards and Auction on Sept. 16, 2022. [READ MORE...](#)



### **Summer School STEAM Students at Fritsch Elementary School Make Clay Critters and Ice Cream**

Posted on 07/11/2022

Summer school students at Fritsch Elementary School developed their STEAM skills making clay critters and ice cream. They collaborated, used mathematics skills to measure ingredients to make the clay and ice cream, they problem solved and they all celebrated the outcomes of their efforts. [READ MORE...](#)



### **CHS Student Honored at Annual SkillsUSA Workforce Development Event**

Posted on 07/06/2022

Carson High School Graduate Hayden Breiter won one of the nation’s highest awards at the 2022 SkillsUSA Championships, held in Atlanta, this past June 22-23, 2022. Kasey Kemmet, Carson High School SkillsUSA advisor, accompanied Breiter to Atlanta. Breiter was awarded a Skill Point Certificate in Restaurant Service. [READ MORE...](#)



### **Video: Summer School Students Engineer Cardboard Arcade Games**

Posted on 07/05/2022

Summer school students at Empire Elementary School spent 20 minutes each morning focused on engineering to create arcade games out of cardboard, tape, glue and other found materials. They collaborated, designed, tested and problem solved throughout the engineering process. [READ MORE...](#)



### **Carson High Teachers Facilitate EL Art Camp at Mark Twain Elementary**

Posted on 06/16/2022

Carson High School Art Teachers Mrs. Kuniya and Mrs. McCraw helped facilitate an EL Art Camp at Mark Twain Elementary School during the summer. The 4-day camp culminated in an art show on the final day. Students were able to explore artistic expression through watercolors, pottery, paper collages and more. The Nevada-shaped watercolor pieces will be displayed later this fall at the Children’s Museum of Northern Nevada.



### **Fritsch Elementary School’s Archery Team Places 2nd in State Competition**

Posted on 06/09/2022

Earlier this year, the Fritsch Elementary School Archery Team placed 2nd in the Nevada State Archery Competition after earning high marks for an elementary school. Last year, the team brought the State Title, trophy and honor home to Carson City for the first time in program history. [READ MORE...](#)





### **Golden Named as Carson High Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach, Chavez to Coach Varsity Boys Soccer**

Posted on 06/08/2022

Carson High Athletics is pleased to announce the hiring of Tyler Golden as the new Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach. Pedro Chavez, a 2010 Carson High graduate and soccer program alumni, has also been hired as the new Head Varsity Boys Soccer Coach. [READ MORE...](#)



### **The Greenhouse Project Expands at Carson High with New Composter**

Posted on 06/07/2022

Thanks to Karen Abowd, president and co-founder of The Greenhouse Project (TGP), the Rotary Club of Carson City, Mayor Lori Bagwell and all others who gathered for a ribbon cutting event for two new hoop houses and a continuous worm composter on June 6, 2022. The new greenhouses are part of TGP's main location at Carson High School. [READ MORE...](#)



### **Carson High School Graduates 455 in its Class of 2022 Commencement**

Posted on 06/04/2022

More than 455 graduating seniors received their diplomas at Carson High School's graduation ceremonies Saturday, June 4, 2022, as proud families cheered them on the football field and school district officials congratulated them. [READ MORE...](#)



### **Pioneer Academy Graduates 28 in its Class of 2022 Commencement**

Posted on 06/02/2022

On Wednesday, June 1, 2022, after a few years of pandemic-style graduation ceremonies, Pioneer Academy high school students returned to Carson City Community Center's Bob Boldrick Theater for the Class of 2022's commencement ceremony. It was an evening filled with lots of retrospection, excitement and accolades. [READ MORE...](#)



### **Fremont Elementary Students Sing the National Anthem for Aces Baseball**

Posted on 06/02/2022

More than 250 Fremont Elementary School students and families joined as a choir to sing the national anthem at the Reno Aces baseball game on June 2. In doing so, they helped their school earn more than \$2,700.



### **19 Carson Athletes Sign for College; Miller to Pole Vault at Colorado Mines**

Posted on 06/01/2022

In May of 2022, Carson High School celebrated 19 senior student-athletes who chose to continue their athletic careers in college. Nevada State Champion for Pole Vault, Kai Miller, will continue with Track & Field for the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colo. Miller holds the Carson High School Record for Pole Vault clearing 16 feet, 2 inches. [READ MORE...](#)

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The channels aim to engage the community about local, state and national education news/topics, report from live board of education meetings and other district meetings and events and post student and staff pictures and achievements.



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Have you captured some amazing photos at some of our school sites or around town?

Please share your photos with us. Feel free to email our Public Information Officer Dan Davis, APR, [ddavis@carson.k12.nv.us](mailto:ddavis@carson.k12.nv.us), with any shots you'd like to share publicly through our social media. Or tag us [@carsoncityschooldistrict](#) on [Facebook](#), [@carsoncityschooldistrict](#) on [Instagram](#), [@carsonschools](#) on [Twitter](#) or [@CarsonCitySchools](#) on [YouTube](#).



## School Start Times & End Times

Carson High School: 7:40 a.m. – 2:05 p.m.  
Pioneer Academy: 7:35 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.  
Middle Schools: 7:45 a.m. – 2:25 p.m.  
Elementary Schools: 8:25 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.  
Pre-K Schools: 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

## Minimum Day Dismissal Times

Carson High School: 11:40 a.m.  
Pioneer Academy: 11:50 a.m.  
Middle Schools: 12 noon  
Elementary Schools: 12:40 p.m.  
Pre-K Schools: 10:55 a.m.

## NOTES:

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## CONTACT INFORMATION:

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