



Important Educational Updates from CCFS
February 2026

We hope the 2nd Semester of the 2025-2026 School Year is going smoothly so far!

Important Dates to Know

- **Monday, February 9th – No School for Students**
- **Monday, February 16th – Presidents Day (No School)**

If a Child Failed Any Course in High School, Please Check with Your Child's Counselor to See if Your Child May Be Able to Receive Partial Credit for the Course

- Under Nevada Law, each public school must create an academic plan for a student enrolled in ninth grade to progress towards meeting graduation requirements. For children in foster care, the plan must be revised and adjusted to maximize getting credits and partial credit in any class may be awarded for efforts the child made in the class. Credits should also be maximized for students taking high school credit courses who are enrolled in middle school/junior high as well.
- *If your child failed a class last semester in high school or failed a high school level course in middle school and they partially attended the class and/or did some work in that class, contact your child's EDM or if you are your child's EDM, contact your child's counselor at their school and find out if your child can receive partial credit for the course.*
- *If you have any difficulty in working with your child's school or counselor, contact CCSD's Foster Care Department at 702-799-1196 or fostercaretransrequest@nv.ccsd.net if your child is in CCSD or your school Foster Care Liaison on the school campus.*

Contact Your Child's Educational Decision Maker (EDM), Caseworker, and CAP Attorney if your Child is RPCed, Suspended or Recommended for Expulsion as Your Child May Have Special Rights in the Disciplinary Process and They can Help You Advocate for In-School Discipline Options

- CCSD's new discipline policy supports having less out-of-school placements (more on-campus consequences), ensuring meaningful instruction takes place if a child is out of school for discipline, and providing resources to the child and the child's family relating to any behavior/factor that is related to the consequence. More rehabilitative and mental health related practices will be used by schools and school districts now along with consequences.
- Education Decision Makers (EDMs) of a child in foster care have a right to appeal a suspension over 3 days or a recommended expulsion. This right should be explained by an administrator

when the discipline is discussed with the parent. The administrator should take note of the EDM's wanting to appeal and provide the EDM with the next steps in the appeal process.

- ***If your child is suspended for more than 5 day cumulatively or recommended for expulsion, your child has a special right because of being in foster care. In determining the discipline, the principal must consult with your child's EDM and certain people such as the counselor or social worker who have an interest in the education of the child to determine if your child poses an ongoing threat on campus and if being in foster care was a factor in the behavior relating to the incident leading to the disciplinary action. If your child does not pose a threat and if being in foster care was a factor in behavior relating to the incident, the principal must either:(1) end the period of suspension and provide your child with behavioral and academic support; or (2) assign your child to a temporary alternative placement for not more than 45 school days for some extreme circumstances. This determination usually takes place as a meeting. Your child's suspension or disciplinary action may stop or change based on the determination.***
- ***It is very important that you contact your child's Education Decision Maker (EDM), Caseworker, and CAP Attorney to let them know if your child was: sent home; RPCed; suspended; recommended for expulsion; and/or not given educational services. Please also ensure the EDM, Caseworker, and CAP Attorney is given any papework you are given and knows of any disciplinary meetings that you are contacted about so they can follow up with the school. They will represent your child and ensure your child's educational rights are being upheld.***
- ***You can also let your EDM, Caseworker, and CAP Attorney know if having your child in an out of school placement or at home during disciplinary procedures is hard on you. If so, they can help you ask for in-school disciplinary options.***
- ***If you do not know who your child's EDM is, please ask your caseworker who it is and for their contact information.***
- ***If your child is being suspended or recommended for expulsion and you are concerned about the school's decision or approach, you can contact Clark County School District's (CCSD's) Foster Care Department at 702-799-1196 or fostercaretransrequest@nv.ccsd.net.***

Please Report/Have Your Child Report Threats, Suicide, and Bullying

- SafeVoice is an anonymous tip report system with live response 24/7/365. SafeVoice (SV) includes and goes beyond bullying to create an anonymous way to also report threats of school violence and friends at risk of suicide, self-harm, drugs and more. SV Reports are followed up on and are monitored.
- Please also report any threats, suicide, and bullying to your child's school principal and let your child's EDM and caseworker know about the incidents. It is recommended to notify your child's principal via writing either in an email or if you drop of a letter to the school (Letter), please note who you gave the Letter and when you delivered the Letter. School staff should follow up with you within 1-2 school days.
- *To access SafeVoice and find out more about the system, please visit https://ccsd.net/students/safevoice.*

- *For other resources, please contact your child's school counselor and social worker for social emotional support during this time.*

Resource of the Month: CCSD's Let's Talk System

- Through our Let's Talk system, anyone can submit a question, concern, or compliment to CCSD. CCSD will track and respond to submissions. It is a great way to make your voice noted in CCSD's system and have concerns addressed.
- Once you make a submission through Let's Talk, the CCSD employee who can best address your comment will be notified. If you request a response, CCSD will contact you back in a timely manner.
- *To access CCSD's Let's Talk site, visit Contact Us - Clark County School District.*

Thank you for all you are doing to help your child succeed!

Please contact your CCFS Caseworker for any assistance you need.

We appreciate you very much!