



Important Educational Updates from DFS
May 2021

Hi Everyone. By the time you read this Update, it will be the last month of school.
You have made it through one of the most difficult years/school years.
Please give yourself a pat on the back for recognition!

We at DFS thank you for all you are doing to help your children succeed and feel supported educationally and emotionally!

Check Your Child's Grades Online and Check with the Teacher and School Foster Care Advocate if Your Child is Failing a Class

- There are 3 weeks left until the end of the school year. It is likely that the bulk of the work for any class assignments is completed pending any final projects and test in the upcoming weeks.
- Special laws in Nevada require that public and charter high schools maximize the credits and progress towards graduation for their students in foster care.
- Students in foster care and enrolled in High School credit classes may receive full or partial credits for a specific course without satisfying any attendance/hours in the classroom requirements for the course by completing alternative coursework
- ***Check your child's progress in classes via Canvas or Infinite Campus***
- ***If your child is getting an F or low D in the class, please contact your child's teacher and your School Foster Care Advocate***
- ***Email your child's teacher if your child can make up any missing assignments or ask what your child can do to receive a passing grade***
- ***Email your School Foster Care Advocate to ask if your child might be able to receive partial credit for any HS class the child is taking or if your child's teacher is not willing to work with you***
- Email addresses are available through school websites or by asking the office staff
- Please ensure you have access to your child's grades in real time on the Canvas Learning System. Families can create an observer account in the Parent Canvas Portal. Parents/Caregivers can personalize the notifications to best stay informed about their children's educational progress. To sign up for an observer account please visit https://ccsd.net/employees/canvas/canvas-students.

Check with Your Child's School for Summer School Options

- CCSD will be offering summer school for:
  - (1) enrichment (no credit classes to provide extra support for learning or learning extension activity classes) during the month of June and

    - (2) credit retrieval (classes to obtain credit for classes the child failed or needs to promote to the next grade/needs to graduate) in June and July
- Schools will be contacting parents/caregivers via email or other parent information channels about what summer school options the schools are offering
- Credit retrieval classes may be recommended by a school counselor or may be taken to get a higher grade in previously taken course
- *Summer School is offered for free this year which is a great opportunity to take advantage of to help your child get ahead on or make up any class!*
- ***Please contact your child's school to find out what summer school options are available on campus if you would like your child to attend summer school***
- ***If you are unsure if your child needs to take summer school to promote/stay on track for graduation, please check with your child's teacher (elementary school) or counselor (middle/high school)***
- Online Summer School classes are also available in June through mid-July through Nevada Learning Academy at www.nvlearningacademy.net

Register Your Child for the 2021-22 School Year by May 28th if Choosing Full Time Face-to-Face Instruction

- Online registration for Clark County School District (CCSD) students for the 2021-22 school year is now open through May 28th
- All schools will be offering two instructional models: Full time face-to-face instruction or Full-time distance education for the 21-22 School Year
- ***Please register your child via register.ccsd.net (for families new to CCSD) or via campusportal.ccsd.net (for families with children already enrolled in CCSD)***
- ***Please see message below If you would like to opt-in to full time distance education for the 2021-22 School Year and register by May 21st***

Register Your Child for the 2021-22 School Year by May 21st if Choosing Full Time Distance Instruction

- All schools will be offering two instructional models: Full time face-to-face instruction or Full-time distance education for the 21-22 School 'Year
- ***Full time face-to-face Instruction is the default model of instruction unless a parent/caregiver opts-in to full time distance education***
- ***Please register your child for the 21-22 School Year and opt-in for distance education by May 21, 2021 via register.ccsd.net (for families new to CCSD) or via campusportal.ccsd.net (for families with children already enrolled in CCSD)***
- ***Requests for full time distance education are subject to approval from the school principal and may be based on the student's attendance and grades***
- If a full-time distance education student begins to struggle, intervention meetings may be conducted with the student and parent/guardian, and the student may be required to attend school for face-to-face instruction
- Students may be required to attend school for curricular instructional activities (i.e., tutoring, projects, performances), for special education related therapies and services

- A student participating in full-time distance education who qualifies for free and reduced lunch, may receive meals at the school at no cost. The student must eat their meals at the school during the school's designated meal serving times per the National School Lunch Program
- For more information and more specifics regarding distance education, please visit https://newsroom.ccsd.net/online-registration-now-open-for-the-2021-22-school-year/

Free School Meals Available on School Campuses

- All children 2-18 years of age can receive a free school meal at CCSD Food Distribution sites through June 30, 2021.
- School meals will be served Monday through Friday – excluding school holidays.
- ***Meals may be picked up in middle and high school parking lots approximately 30 minutes after school dismissal.***
- ***To find the nearest Food Distribution Site, visit ccsd.nutrislice.com.***

In Person Graduation Dates and Locations Posted

- In-person graduations will take place starting May 26, 2021 and will continue through June 7, 2021.
- A full list of graduation locations and times are available at https://newsroom.ccsd.net/wp-content/uploads/CCSD-2021-Graduation-Schedule-1.pdf
- Individual schools will communicate with families in the coming weeks regarding cap and gown distribution, ticket allotment, and social distancing guidelines.

Please let your DFS Representative know of any struggles so we can support you!

THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU DO FOR OUR CHILDREN.

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR CHILDREN'S LIVES!