



Important Educational Updates from CCFS September 2025 What You Need to Know....

You made it through the first few weeks of school! Way to go! Thank you for all you do for your child!

Important Dates

- Monday Sept 1st Labor Day (No School for Students)
- Monday Sept 15th Staff Development Day (No School for Students)
- To see when school is/is not in session for the upcoming school year and plan ahead for childcare or time off of work, click here

Contact Your Children's School Foster Care Advocate and/or CCSD's Foster Care Department to introduce yourself/your children and for any issues

- Someone is assigned at each school as the Foster Care Advocate or Foster Care Liaison (FCA) to help families and children involved in foster care to navigate school services. The beginning of the year is a great time to reach out to him/her, introduce yourself, and create a relationship as the FCA may be able to help you with many issues that arise over the course of the school year. Many FCAs are counselors and have some background in helping students with social/emotional struggles. You can also share any tips and information that might be helpful in working with your child such as any coping strategies that work well for your child if they get frustrated or any interests/strengths that could be used an incentive plans for doing their work, following school expectations, etc. Having a good relationship with your child's school staff is important for many reasons especially if any issues arise over the school year.
- Principals are often responsible for assigning the role of the FCA to a staff member. To find out who your school FCA is, ask your child's school office or if they don't know, as to be connected to the school administration/principal's office and ask the administrative assistant who the FCA is on their campus.
- CCSD also maintains a Foster Care Department to assist families and schools work together to support children in care. If you are having an issue with your child's school and after talking with the principal/assistant principal the issue is not resolved, please contact <u>CCSD's Foster Care Department at</u> fostercaretransrequest@nv.ccsd.net or at 702-799-1196.
- To get help with schools outside of CCSD, contact your child's school office or principal to find out who the school's Foster Care Liaison is and/or ask who their

school district's Foster Care Point of Contact is to follow up on issues with your child's school.

Ensure Your Child's School has Your Contact Information Correct and that You have a Parent Portal Account

- By now you should be getting regular communication with your child's school and your child's school district.
- Infinite Campus is the CCSD's official Student Information System, electronic grade book, and parent/guardian and student portal. Many other schools use IC but each school district or charter may choose to use its own system. Some schools may also use other electronic services such as Clever, Class Dojo, or Canvas to post class information, assignments, and announcements as they chose.
- If you have not heard from your child's school or the school district by now, please call the school's registrars/clerks offices and let them know you aren't receiving communication from the school. You may need to provide your ID and proof of custody such as a Placement Notification Letter.
- Please sign up for or ensure you have an Infinite Campus Parent Account (if your child is attending CCSD) and any other electronic service the school uses (such as Canvas or Clever). A Campus Parent mobile app is also available for any Apple or Android phone through CCSD.
- If you do not have an Infinite Campus Parent account and/or want to access any other electronic platform you to see your child's grades, please contact your child's school Infinite Campus or IT liaison and ask for all parent accounts the school uses. For children enrolled in CCSD, you may also email portalsupport@nv.ccsd.net, or call the Portal Help Desk at 702-799-PORT (7678), Monday-Friday, 6:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. PST.
- For more information about Infinite Campus, visit <u>ccsd.net/infinite-campus</u> and to watch videos on how Infinite Campus and other technology CCSD uses, visit <u>Technology Assistance and the School System - Get Engaged (ccsd.net)</u>.

Request Technology Devices and internet Connections for Your Childr from Your Child's School if Needed

- Children in foster care are prioritized to be provided with school issued technological devices such as Chromebooks and with internet hotspots
- Please reach out your child's school administrators via email and phone to request technology devices and internet hotspots if you need them for your child and your home
- If you having difficulty getting devices and internet through your child's school, please contact CCSD's Foster Care Department at 702-799-1196 or fostercaretransrequest@nv.ccsd.net or ask your school for the school's Foster Care Advocate for help

Resource of the Month: University of Family Learning

• The University of Family Learning (UFL) offers parents and adult family members opportunities to access information to support both student and family success. Parents

- are invited to join workshops that support student academic achievement, navigating the school system, family wellness, and parent leadership and advocacy.
- Workshops are offered at schools and community locations by request. All events are free, open to the community, and offered in English and Spanish as needed.
- For more information or to sign up for UFL Workshops, visit <u>University of Family</u> <u>Learning (UFL) Get Engaged (ccsd.net)</u>

Thank you for all you do!

Contact Your CCFS Caseworker for any support you may need!