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**CCSD to work with local organizations to create a shared
community vision for our schools**

*Input received in the process will be used in plan for spending
American Rescue Plan federal funding*

LAS VEGAS – The Clark County School District (CCSD) is announcing the launch of a process to engage the community on a shared vision of what we want for our schools and how we can invest recent infusions of federal funds to support that vision.

The *Focus on the Future for Kids: Community Input Initiative* will kick off this summer with outreach to a variety of key community groups.

CCSD will enlist groups to provide input from the people they serve, asking the question: “What is our community vision for our students and schools in Clark County, and how can these federal funds help us get there? What is the North Star that will drive student success?”

Superintendent Dr. Jesus F. Jara said the district will align its plans for spending federal funds with the priorities outlined in the community input.

“CCSD is proud to announce a community input process that will inform a community vision for children and begin to build buy-in on how we can utilize federal funding to bring that vision to life,” Jara said.

“We intend to use the recent federal stimulus dollars coming to the district as one opportunity to jumpstart our collective, community-driven vision,” Jara said.

CCSD will receive approximately \$770 million dollars in federal funds over the next three years to help support the needs of students and address the impact of the pandemic on educational outcomes.

Throughout June, CCSD will ask community groups to participate in the input-gathering process. The District will work with community partners, including the Kenny Guinn Center for Policy Priorities, Opportunity 180, and the Public Education Foundation, to develop a tool kit that will help community groups solicit input from the people they serve.

In July, August and part of September, CCSD will work with these community groups to survey a broad swath of parents, educators, students and other members of the community.

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Data from the input process will be collected and analyzed in late September, with a goal of presenting a shared community vision for our schools in late October.

Jara said he also anticipates revising the goals in the District's five-year strategic plan, Focus: 2024, based on the input process.

More details on this important initiative will be shared with the community in the coming weeks. Please visit <http://www.ccsd.net/futureforourkids>.

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