

## CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS RELEASE

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### **CCSD honored with financial reporting and procurement awards**

*Awards recognize district for highest level of financial reporting and procurement*

**LAS VEGAS** – Clark County School District (CCSD) has been recognized with the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the [Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada](#) (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR). The certificate of achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting. CCSD has received this award for the past 30 years.

Additionally, CCSD has been awarded the prestigious 24th Annual Achievement of Excellence in Procurement® (AEP) for 2019 from the National Procurement Institute, Inc. (NPI). The AEP Award is earned by public and non-profit agencies that demonstrate a commitment to procurement excellence. This annual program recognizes procurement organizations that embrace Innovation, Professionalism, Productivity, Leadership and e-Procurement.

“Running an efficient operation to support our children is crucial to ensure every available dollar goes into the classroom,” said CCSD Superintendent Dr. Jesus F. Jara. “I thank our business administration team for their commitment to continued improvement to make sure we provide rich and rigorous learning opportunities. Improving efficiency is a priority and a main goal in the district’s five-year strategic plan, Focus: 2024.”

GFOA, founded in 1906, represents public finance officials throughout the United States and Canada. The association's more than 20,000 members are federal, state/provincial and local finance officials deeply involved in planning, financing and implementing thousands of governmental operations in each of their jurisdictions.

The AEP Award is significant in that it recognizes CCSD’s adoption and successful execution of industry best practices as recognized by professional procurement organizations and peers in pursuit of best value goods and services through a fair and transparent competitive procurement process. In fiscal year 2018-2019, CCSD achieved \$38 million in cost savings and cost avoidance while issuing over 52,000 purchase orders worth in excess of \$361 million.

The AEP program encourages the development of excellence as well as continued organizational improvement to earn the award annually.

For 2019, there were 202 successful applicants for the AEP Award, including 42 counties, 67 cities, 25 higher education agencies, 23 school districts, 39 special districts, 4 state agencies and 2 others.

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