

# CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT Environmental Contest Community Partnership

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Together, NV Energy, Springs Preserve, Jet Global Holdings, Sustainable Travel International, and the America's Schools Program have joined forces with the CCSD School-Community Partnership Program to inspire and influence students to learn more about the protection of the environment and wildlife, with a focus on sustainability, conservation and education, while supporting district academic standards.

We invite students from grades 3rd to 5th grades to enter an **environmental contest** that ties into curriculum standards set forth by the CCSD.

### TOPIC:

Choose one of the following: reduce the community's carbon footprint, encourage the use of green actions, decrease energy usage, protect natural resources, and/or create an awareness of environmentally friendly practices.

### GUIDELINES:

- All CCSD students in grades 3-5 are invited to participate in a project, based upon one of the above topics.
- Classes will come up with a school-wide or community based project and implement that project.
- A project description must be typed or neatly written in black ink. Pictures may be included.
- All entries must include the students' grade level, school, and sponsoring teacher's name and signature.

**Winners will be announced at the  
Environmental Youth Summit  
May 22, 2010  
Las Vegas Springs Preserve**



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### **SUBMITTING PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS:**

- Project Descriptions are due in the School-Community Partnership Program office by **March 15, 2010 by 5:00 P.M.**
- Building Principals will select the top three entries and submit them via school mail to:  
Judy Myers - School Community Partnership Program Office #145  
~ OR ~ U.S. mail or hand delivery to:  
Judy Myers, SCPP Office, 5450 W. Sahara, Suite 250, LV, NV 89146

### **JUDGING:**

A panel of representatives from all sponsoring organizations and a representative from the CCSD School-Community Partnership Program will select the winners of the contest in a two-step process:

- 1) The selection of the winning project description, and
- 2) A personal tour and/or experience of the project.

The grand prize winning class will be ambassadors for CCSD and the environment - helping others to understand the importance of protecting our wildlife and conserving our resources.

### **PRIZES:**

**GRAND PRIZE WINNING CLASS** will be honored with an entire day at the Springs Preserve in Las Vegas.

The day will include many activities, fun, and learning opportunities, as well as lunch.

The winning teacher for the class will receive a check for \$250.00.

- The winners will be introduced at the **Environmental Youth Summit (May 22, 2010)**.
- The field trip to Springs Preserve will take place in **May of 2010**.

For more information, please contact **Judy Myers at (702) 799-6560**.



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### **Nevada Science Standards 3-5**

#### Science Inquiry (Nature of Science Unifying Concept A)

N.S. A.1 Students know scientific progress is made by conducting careful investigations, recording data, and communicating the results in an accurate method.

N.S. A.2 Students know how to compare the results of their experiments to what scientists already know about the world.

N.S. A.3 Students know how to draw conclusions from scientific evidence.

N.S. A.4 Students know graphic representations of recorded data can be used to make predictions.

N.S. A. 5 Students know how to plan and conduct a safe and simple investigation.

#### Science Inquiry (Nature of Science Unifying Concept B)

N.5.B.3 Students know the benefits of working with a team and sharing findings.

### **Nevada English Language Arts Standards**

5.1 Use prewriting strategies to plan written work.

5.2 Draft paragraphs about a single topic that address audience, purpose, supporting details, introduction and conclusion.

5.3 Revise drafts .

5.4 Edit compositions to ensure correct spelling, capitalization, and punctuation.