

Parents, Grandparents and Concerned Residents of Carson City – Stand-Up & Speak-Up

Carson High School Math and Reading proficiency is 30th in Nevada among 85 High Schools. **Carson High School** is #27 in Nevada and 4,162 nationally. College Readiness Index is 27.4%

Students Took at Least One AP Exam	38%
Students Passed at Least one AP Exam	24%
Mathematics Proficiency	30%
Reading Proficiency	54%
Graduation Rate	95%

Source: <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-high-schools/nevada/districts/carson-city-school-district/carson-high-school-12328>

The School Board and Carson City School District often say that Clark County is dragging the national ranking of Nevada schools down to 50th position. One teacher who spoke at the February 8th School Board meeting cited the US News Best High School Survey to say that Carson High School wasn't that bad. **Judge the statistics below for yourself.**

In the same US News Best High School survey for 2021, Carson City High School is 27th among Nevada High Schools with 14 schools in Las Vegas, 6 schools in Reno, 4 schools in Henderson, 1 school each in Minden and Incline Village who ranked higher than Carson City High School. **Reno, Galena, Robert McQueen, Damonte and Douglas County High Schools are all ranked higher than Carson High School. Is this success for you?**

Self-indulgent practices and subjective performance measures has perpetuated the status quo and complacency in the School District Administration. At the February 8th School Board meeting, another teacher asked the School Board to hire an internal candidate (AJ Feuling) because "people who have been given a chance to move into positions without prior experience have excelled thus far". **Are you willing to take a chance with your children's future?**

School Board Trustees, namely Trustee Crossman (District 2), Trustee Carine (District 6) and Trustee Walker (District 5) selected, AJ Feuling, in the first round of interviews even though his qualifications were much less than Dr. Goldhardt's qualifications and he had a poor interview performance (see <https://sites.google.com/carson.k12.nv.us/superintendent-search/home>). **Hire an internal candidate by any means. Why?**

Our Team of volunteers has spoken to numerous residents in the School Districts over the last 3 months and they have not found one resident who was happy with the status quo in the Carson City School Districts. **So it is time to rise up and claim the schools back. We need to set the foundation for continuous improvement in our schools by hiring a qualified, experienced Superintendent, Dr. John Goldhardt.**

Superintendent Candidate Comparison

	Dr. John Goldhardt	Mr. AJ Feuling
Current position	Superintendent , Manchester School District since 2019	Director of Fiscal Services , Carson City School District since 2014
Academic Qualification	Education Doctorate , University of Las Vegas, 2004, Public Administration and School Administration , University of Utah, 1995	School Business Management , University of Wisconsin, 2013; Leadership in Educational Administration , Capella University, 2009
# of years of Experience	Superintendent = 3 years Professor: Exec. Director = 9 years Principal = 16 years Teacher = 5 years Total = 33 years	Director of Fiscal Services = 8 years Teacher = 8 years Business Manager/Other = 6 years Total = 22 years
Max # of people Supervision	1,601	5
Max Student Enrollment	12,900	7,600
Max Budget Managed	\$195 million	\$160 million
Letters of reference	Former Vice Chair, School Board Committee, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary School Principal	Carson School District Superintendent (Stokes), Associate Superintendent (Fuson) and Retired Superinte (Pierczynski)
Interview Performance	Good dialogue, friendly personality The individual interviews are available here: https://sites.google.com/carson.k12.nv.us/superintendent-search/home	Incoherent dialogue, ran out of interview time The individual interviews are available here: https://sites.google.com/carson.k12.nv.us/superintendent-search/home

We need parents, grandparents and concerned residents to speak-up during public comment at the School Board meeting on February 22nd and support Dr. Goldhardt. The School Board Trustees must make an objective decision to hire the best qualified candidate as Superintendent; a Superintendent who will take a fresh look at why Carson High School is 27th among the 85 high schools in Nevada. Find out why the High School graduation rates is 95% while college readiness is only 27%.

Please come in mass to the School Board meeting on February 22nd, Robert Crowell Board Room, Community Center at 851 E William Street, Carson City. The Interviews will be held from 8:15am to noon (Feb 22) and the evening meeting starts at 7pm. If you can come to only one of the two meetings, please come in the evening but please make an extra effort to be there!

If this is the only School Board meeting you attend in 2022, this is the meeting you must attend as this will define the progress the School District will make in the next 10-14 years. Send your comments to publiccomment@carson-k12-nv.us if you absolutely cannot attend in person. Optics is important as Trustees look at community attendance at School Board meetings for clues on how to vote.

Support Dr. Goldhardt and refuse to accept the status quo which has plagued Carson City under the current Superintendent, Richar Stokes.

Carson City Schools need to improve and prepare our students to be responsible residents of Carson City.

Thank you.

Betsy Strasburg and Richard Nagel