The Independent Living Program

The Independent Living Program (ILP) held its 2nd annual pumpkin decorating contest this October. Our students enjoy knowing that the staff at Nevada County Superintendent of Schools see and votes for their best overall pumpkin. They can choose any school appropriate theme and are encouraged to use their imaginations. Last year the winner won a gift card and a dozen donuts with a feature article in the Nugget newsletter. This year, the winner will receive a gift card, a pumpkin pie, and will be featured in the December Nugget Newsletter.

This is quickly becoming one of our favorite events of the year. Check out some of this years spooky pumpkin entries!

October life skills class will bring college planning and financial aid to the forefront. Nevada County Foster Youth Services will participate in the FAFSA Challenge, sponsored by John Burton Advocates for Youth. Our goal is for 100% of Nevada County 12th grade seniors in foster care and/or the Independent Living Program to complete the FAFSA. Our office has won the small county 1st place prize for FAFSA completion on two different occasions.

The Transitional Housing Plus Program has been working with local community partners to provide resources for young people who are experiencing housing insecurities. We are supporting our mentor program and have a new mentor joining the team.

Foster Youth Services has an upcoming Nurtured Heart Approach Training happening via Zoom on November 20th from 9 am to 3 pm. Look for flyer with Zoom link at www.nevco.org.
Family Resource Centers

Did you know that the Family Resource Centers (FRC) can help address attendance along with providing parenting classes/workshops and referrals to other community resources.

With locations in Grass Valley, Penn Valley and San Juan Ridge, Partners FRC’s are here to support Nevada County families and community members. Check out the FRC website here for a list of core services and other resources available.

Please call to learn more about our ongoing Parent Support Services and future workshops for all ages and stages.
Laurie DeMartini (530) 432-1118 x.2249 email ldemartini@nevco.org

Nurturing Parenting

Fall 2021 Virtual Seminar
Who: Parents of School-Aged Children up to 12 Years Old
Nevada County Residents
Where: Wednesday 6:30-8:30pm Sept. 22 - Nov. 17 (No class Oct 20)
一处: Live Zoom calls in the comfort of your own home. Handouts sent to your email.
免费: Coaching call per family
For more information or to register:
530.238.5608 janderson@nevco.org

Take the stress out of parenting with Nurturing Parenting’s easy-to-understand, practical approach. For 35 years, this program has helped parents to deepen and strengthen their family relationships in all types of situations. Nurturing Parenting is one of the only programs in the world that is based on evidence from clinical research.

Presenter: Jinnae Anderson, Parenting Specialist
Nevada County Superintendent of Schools
530.238.5608 janderson@nevco.org
www.nurturingparenting.com
Education Services

Geography Tournament and Individual Geography Bee

Nevada County Superintendent of Schools (NCSOS) first Academic Tournament of the 2021-2022 school year was a huge success! Nine local schools participated on Thursday, October 14th for the annual 7th Grade Geography Tournament. Schools nominated teams of three students who gathered at their school sites to collaborate on a proctored multiple choice 100-point test covering local, state, U.S. and world geography. The tests were then scored by the offsite Geography Tournament Committee.

The tournament was later followed by the Individual Geography Bee that took place on Thursday, October 28th, at the NCSOS office. One student from each school who participated in the team tournament represented their school in an individual geography bee. Each student participated in a triple elimination format tournament.

Congratulations to the students from Seven Hills Intermediate who took first place this year! Following the tournament, they received a visit at their school from NCSOS Associate Superintendent, Teena Corker, and Geography Tournament Coordinator, Dan Zeisler, who brought them their prizes and perpetual plaque.

2nd place: Grass Valley Charter
3rd place: Magnolia Intermediate

Congratulations to Ella DesAutels of Magnolia Intermediate who took 1st place in the Individual Geography Bee.
2nd place: Erika Schwab of Chicago Park
3rd place: Liam Coley of Clear Creek

Thank you to all schools that participated this year!

For questions about Nevada County Academic Tournaments, please email:
ocarson@nevco.org

Left to right: 1st place champion, Ella DesAutels; 2nd place Erika Schwab and 3rd place Liam Coley
**NCSOS Program Opportunities for Youth**

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**California State Parks Adventure Pass for 4th Graders**

California State Parks, First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom and the Natural Resources Agency announced the opportunity for fourth graders to apply for a free California State Parks Adventure Pass. Effective Sept. 29, 2021, they can apply for the pass that will give them the opportunity to explore 19 select state parks free for full year.

“This incredible new program will help promote a healthier and more equitable California for all,” said First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom.

Assembly Bill 148, signed by Governor Newsom in July, established California State Park Adventure Pass Program, a three-year pilot program that waives daily-use entrance fees to 19 state parks for fourth graders and their families for a full-year.

Applying for the free pass online is simple. All that is needed is a name, address, phone number and an email address. For individuals who do not have access to a smartphone, computer or printer, and/or do not have an email address to use when applying online, they can still apply for a pass by visiting a State Parks Pass Sales Office or by calling (800) 444-7275. For detailed information on the program and the list of participating park units, please visit parks.ca.gov/AdventurePass.
Have you ever wondered what you would do if you were faced with an unexpected cardiac emergency or a situation requiring basic first aid? Becoming certified in providing CPR including using an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and learning some first aid techniques may be the answer.

2 different classes are offered through the district several times a month in the evening.

**Basic Plus CPR** provides skills for administering CPR with an AED to an unconscious child (about 8 years +) and adults as well as control of bleeding.

**Pediatric Plus CPR** provides the same skills and targets additional techniques to assist younger children and infants. Infant choking is also included in Pediatric Plus CPR.

Both classes review how to provide assistance for choking (Heimlich maneuver), using an EpiPen and how to put a victim in the rescue position.

These classes are open to school staff and community members. **Basic Plus CPR** may be the choice for teachers with older students, administrators, coaches, and support staff. But **Pediatric Plus CPR** may be a better fit for elementary teachers, babysitters, personal trainers or a new parent or new Foster Parent.

Classes are offered several times a month. Each class has an on-line component that is completed at your own pace.

To see the class dates and register, click here. Or visit to the nevco.org website and select the drop-down menu: **Education Services**. Here you will find **Basic Plus CPR, AED and First Aid Training** as an option, select it to read more about both classes. Scroll down to “CLICK HERE to Register”.

Complete the information and select a date for the skills check off. Once you are registered a link for the on-line portion will be sent. The cost is $45 that can be paid with a purchase order or a check. (Please note that if you can’t make the skill check you signed up for, please DO NOT register. Contact Sharyn Turner (sturner@nevco.org) to select another date.

- **Basic CPR, AED, Adult**  
  Nov. 4th 3:45—5:45
- **Pediatric Plus CPR, AED, First Aid**  
  Nov. 9th 3:45—5:45
- **Basic CPR, AED, Adult**  
  Nov. 17th 3:45—5:45
The Nevada County Superintendent of Schools and The Nevada County Community Library present Nevada County Reads and Writes. This annual program, developed in 2005 to engage the community in literature through reading and discussion encourages everyone to participate. Read the annual book selection and share your perspective.

**Nevada County Reads and Writes Announces 2022 Book Selection:**

**Circe by Madeline Miller**

In the house of Helios, god of the sun and mightiest of the Titans, a daughter is born. But Circe is a strange child—not powerful, like her father, nor viciously alluring like her mother. Turning to the world of mortals for companionship, she discovers that she does possess power—the power of witchcraft, which can transform rivals into monsters and menace the gods themselves.

For more information check out: [Nevada County Reads & Writes](nevadacountyreads.com)

**Did you know?**

You and your school district are offered:

- A free PD on the 2019 California Arts Standards and Framework
- A free PD on Arts Integration Teacher Skills and Tools
- A free PD on Social Emotional Learning and The Arts

These PD offers can be either live or virtual.

Please contact NCSOS Arts Education Coordinator:
Kim Ewing at kewing@nevco.org for more information and scheduling.

**Educationally Speaking**’s hosts Scott W. Lay and Kimberly Ewing talk to leaders and teachers with **Artists in Schools**, a local arts-integration visual arts educational program happening this fall in Nevada County elementary schools. They would love to have you and your teachers/students on their show, showcasing and sharing out. Send Kimberly an email with your topic or event at: kewing@nevco.org
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