

# School board OK's revising 2020-21 academic calendar, start date

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The Carson City School District's start date of its 2020-21 school year has been revised from Aug. 17 to Aug. 24 to better conform with the approved school reopening plan as of last week's Board of Trustees meeting.

The revised calendar delays the first day of school by five days to allow for five professional learning days, removes all early release days and professional learning days taking place during the school year, shifts two non-school days from the second semester to the Thanksgiving week,

Nov. 23, and pushes the first semester back two weeks to balance out both semesters.

The revisions come through the work of Superintendent Richard Stokes' school reopening committee formed to assist with developing the best model of instruction for the 2020-21 given the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tasha Fuson, associate superintendent of educational services, told the board the language can be confusing because the district still begins its school year officially on Aug. 17. The change simply designates the first five days as professional learning days for teachers.

She also reported at the board's July 28 meeting that the district previously had Sept. 28, Feb. 1 and April 19 designated as professional learning days, but those have been removed.

The decision to take Thanksgiving completely off improved the hybrid, Fuson said. With Monday designated as a remote learning day for students, it would not have made sense to have Tuesday as the only in-person day. So the district removed two random non-school days to Thanksgiving Day to give students a full week off.

The board approved to revise the calendar and move the start date in a unanimous vote 7-0.

## Supervisors will vote on whether to raise stormwater rates

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On Thursday the Supervisors will vote on whether to raise stormwater rates.

Staff is recommending a change in the rate structure which would be based on impervious surfaces such as parking lots and charge by city for commercial users.

All single-family residential users would see one class and rates would go from \$5.69 to \$9.64 percent bump.

Commercial users would fall into four groups, from small to very large, with monthly charges of \$30, \$60, \$120, and \$240.

The rate increases would be phased in over four years and \$10,000 would be allocated from the fund to assist low-income customers.

The board is also going to vote on a plan of expenditure for a portion of the \$10.21 million city is receiving from Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act passed by U.S. Congress.

So far, staff is recommending \$1.55 million for the Carson City School District, \$1.85 million for Carson Tahoe Hospital and \$200,000 for Eastern Valley Care Center. Staff will return to the board next meeting on August to recommend allocations for non-profits.

# Info on forged check suspect sought

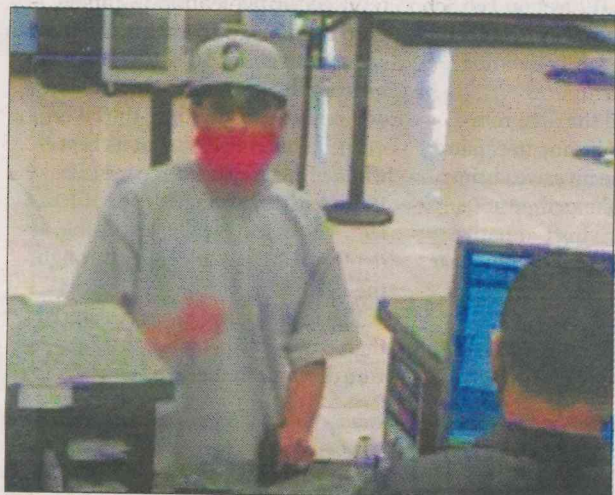
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The Carson City Sheriff's Office Investigations Division is asking for assistance in identifying an unknown suspect, alleged to have forged checks and fraudulently cashed them.

In June, a male suspect entered a bank in Carson City, on two occasions, and cashed checks he had forged. The checks are believed to have been

collected from mail, washed, and then re-written for fraudulent use.

Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Carson City Sheriff's Office, Dispatch (775) 887-2677, Investigation Division, Detective Darin Riffin (775) 283-7853, Investigations Lieutenant Daniel Gonzales (775) 283-7850 or Secret Witness (775) 322-4900. Case # 2020-2933.



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The Carson City Sheriff's Office is asking for assistance in identifying this unknown suspect seen on surveillance footage.

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