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February 10, 2015

Dear Students and Parents,

The Clark County School District is committed to providing high quality schools to “Every student in every classroom, without exceptions, without excuses.” We are fortunate to have a community that demands excellence from its schools.

Through an intensive Internal and External review process, the decision was made to designate Priest Elementary School as a Transformation School. The school will be placed in the Turnaround Zone. Schools in the Turnaround Zone receive additional guidance, resources and support from the District to fast track sustainable change in schools.

While Ms. Hays, your current principal will remain at Priest Elementary School for the 2015-16 school year, there may be some staffing changes to align with the new focus of the school. Those teachers who may not return to Priest Elementary School for the 2015-16 school year, will have the opportunity to work with students in other schools in the Clark County School District. It is important to note that no administrator, licensed teacher, or support staff personnel will lose their job as a result of this process.

Thank you for your support and involvement in improving the education of our students at Priest Elementary School. We are excited about the future of our school and appreciate your support as we work together to increase the achievement for all our students.

On Thursday, February 12th, at 5:00 P.M. I invite you to attend an informational meeting at Priest Elementary School, where I will be able to describe the Turnaround process, how it will benefit students, and answer any questions you may have.

If you have any questions please visit the Turnaround Zone website at <http://www.ccsdturnaroundzone.net> and our Facebook page @ccsdturnaroundzone. Please also feel free to contact Ms. Hays at (702) 799-6200 or me at (702) 799-2640.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jeffrey Geihs".

Dr. Jeffrey Geihs
Assistant Chief Student Achievement Officer, Turnaround Zone