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Building Renovations To Begin For Strong Start Academy Building

Mayor Carolyn G. Goodman, Councilwoman Lois Tarkanian And Superintendent Pat Skorkowsky To Kick Off Construction Oct. 10

Mayor Carolyn G. Goodman, Ward 1 Councilwoman Lois Tarkanian and Clark County School District Superintendent Pat Skorkowsky will kick off renovations to the building that will house the city of Las Vegas' new Strong Start Academy for early childhood learning Monday, Oct. 10, at 10 a.m., at 1617 Alta Drive.

Strong Start Las Vegas is the city's early childhood education program focusing on kindergarten readiness for children ages 3 and 4. The goal of the program is to put these children on track to attain reading proficiency by the third grade.

The renovations will update the building to make it ready to accept students, and work is scheduled to be completed in April of 2017.

The city is a partner in the Nevada Pre-K expansion grant administered by the United Way of Southern Nevada, and this work is in alignment with the Governor's statewide education platform. Other partners in Strong Start Las Vegas include the Children's Advocacy Alliance, the UNLV Department of Education and additional early childhood education providers.

Recognizing that quality education impacts all facets of the community, in 2015, the city of Las Vegas created the Department of Youth Development & Social Innovation to concentrate on programs and partnerships to help students succeed.

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