

Weekly Update

A Weekly Review of Achievements & Activities in Cleburne ISD

January 18-25, 2017

District Completes First Round of Chromebook Deployment to Secondary Students



Whitney Kite goes through log-in procedures Wednesday, as Chromebooks were issued to TEAM School students, completing the first wave of deployment of instructional technology to CISD secondary students. A second round of deployment is now underway for those students who have recently submitted parent permission forms. The 1:1 technology initiative is being funded by Bond 2016.

Smith Middle School Wins District Championship in UIL One Act Play Competition



Smith Middle School's One Act Play entry, "Liza and the Riddling Cave," placed first in UIL District competition. Smith sixth grader Ryan Evetts received the Best Actor Award in the competition, which involved 8 middle school teams. Members of the SMS cast and crew included Ashleigh Hightower, Caroline Bennett,



Ryan Evetts

Cole Parsons, Emma Rohr, Megan Baadsgaard, Easton Chapman, Kayla Aviles, Bekah Brockett, Cooper Madison, Tru Collup, Ally Benson, Rane Robinson, Brooklyn Hunt, Rose Ingram and Alyssa Cox, under the direction of theater arts teacher Jay Lewis.

Smith and Wheat Middle School Students Receive All-Star Cast and Crew Recognitions



Students from Smith and Wheat Middle Schools received special recognitions for their performances on stage and behind the scenes at the 2017 UIL District One Act Play



competition. In photo far left, Smith's Ashleigh Hightower was named to the All-Star Cast, with Caroline Bennett receiving All-Star Honorable Mention. In photo right, Wheat All-Star Cast honoree Takara Bailey is pictured in a scene from "The Happy Scarecrow" with Grace Sledge, who received All-Star Honorable Mention for her performance as the Fairy. All-Star Technician Awards were presented to Smith's Brooklyn Hunt and Wheat crew member Caleb McCullough.

First Live Production of CHS BUZZ News to Premier Friday



It will be lights, camera--action--starting at 12:35 PM Friday as the Cleburne High School BUZZ News presents its first live broadcast. Now in its third year of production, the BUZZ News provides regular coverage of school happenings--filmed, edited and reported by



by students in the audio/visual production program. Here is the link to Friday's broadcast:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWu6IRd67XHFkq8-EIsxHCg>

Seven CISD Student Entries Advancing to State in PTA Reflections Contest

Seven entries submitted at the campus level in the 2016-2017 PTA Reflections arts competition have been named District winners and will be advancing to the state contest. "What Is Your Story?" is the theme of this year's competition in which students in grades PreK-12 are eligible to submit entries in six categories, ranging from dance choreography to literature, visual arts and film production. The District honorees include Xavier Duncan-Coleman Elementary; Eztn Morton and Olivia Walker-Gerard Elementary; Emilee Galan and Alex Allen-Smith MS; Sarah Roy, Jessie Mills-Cleburne HS.

Lady Jackets Place 3rd at District Swim Meet and Will Be Advancing to Regionals



The CHS girls swim team will be moving on to Regional competition following their third place finish at the District meet. Cleburne Coach Joey Ennis was also honored as District 7-5A Girls Swim Coach of the Year. MeiLi Hall, Mackenzy Mathson, KaiLi Hall and Kambree Coates were silver medalists in the 200 medley relay and 400



Ennis

freestyle. Among individual events, Coates was the District Champion in the 200 freestyle with MeiLi Hall taking the gold in the 200 IM. Read more about Cleburne's performance in District competition on the CISD website.

Elementary, Middle School Spelling Bees Underway in Preparation for Area Contest

Third grader Paityn Dorris, right, was among the classroom champions competing in the Marti Elementary Spelling Bee. Elementary and middle school campuses across the District are in the process of conducting competitions to determine who will represent their school at the Area 24 Spelling Bee, set for February 2 at the CISD Central Offices.



Cleburne High School's New Academic Decathlon Team Competes at Regional Meet



Cleburne High School's list of student involvement opportunities now includes an Academic Decathlon program. Among the academic athletes who represented CHS in regional competition this past weekend were seated, l-r, Ivan Suaste, Jennifer Diaz, Abigail Whitehead, Mike Hartsell and back, from left, Pierre Vivoni, Charles Cram, Isaac Nunez, Douglas Davis with Coach Dawn Broadway. Learn

more about the CHS Academic Decathlon program on the CISD website.

Cleburne Students Move on to Fort Worth Following Showings at Johnson County Event



Smith MS 8th grader Audree Bicknell, left, prepares her steer for judging as a 4-H participant in the 2017 Johnson County Junior Livestock Show and Youth Fair. A number of CISD students were exhibitors in the annual event and have now entered their projects in the Fort Worth Stock



Show. Lindsay Leck, right, was among several Cleburne FFA members receiving top awards for their projects. Winning exhibitors from CHS also included Zane El-Jabsheh, Reserve Champion Senior Metal, and Hanna Lisenbe who achieved Grand Champion in both the goat and lamb shows.

Wheat MS Seventh Graders Selected for Duke University National Recognition Program



These Wheat MS 7th graders have been recognized by the Duke University Talent Identification Program for scoring in the upper percentile on the STAAR exam. The honorees are Dariana Aguilar, Oscar Belmares, Emma Bowman, Ethan Bryant, Marc Anthony Clifford, Nathan Coleman, Brody Cottongame, Alexander DeLaCerde, Ben Frost, Jerry Gaskill, Cole Hunt, Colton McMurry, Tammy Nguyen, Moises Pacheco, Jose Pacheco, Charles Patty, Elizabeth Pena, Taytum Rosette, Miguel Salazar, Emma Schulte, Andrew Tucker, Daniel Vandever.