

# Weekly Update

A Weekly Review of Achievements & Activities in Cleburne ISD

December 9-16, 2016

## Golden Pride Departs December 27 for London for Appearance in 2017 New Year's Day Parade



100 members of the Cleburne High School Golden Pride Band, accompanied by a delegation of faculty members and administrators, parents and Band Boosters, will leave for London December 27 to prepare for their appearance in the 2017 London New Year's Day Parade. Band directors and Boosters

have been preparing for this trip since the fall of 2014, when an invitation was extended to the Pride by parade officials, on behalf of the Queen of England. The parade will stream live at 6 AM Central Time on the London New Year's Day Parade website: [www.lnydp.com](http://www.lnydp.com). Information on their trip is posted on the CISD homepage.

## Cleburne HS Hosts First College Athletic Signings of 2016-2017 School Year; Lady Jackets Heading for Wichita State and Sam Houston State



Cleburne High School hosted a dual signing Wednesday as two Lady Jackets penned their names to college letters of intent to continue their athletic careers. Skaila White, who competed in the long jump and triple jump at the 2015 Junior Olympics, has signed with the track and field women's program at Wichita State University in Wichita, KS. She is pictured with her parents, Floyd and Constance White and CHS Coaches Jason Payne and Marlon Winn.

The dual signing ceremony, involving teammates and best friends, also included Akarian Morgan, who will be joining the women's basketball program at Sam Houston State University. Morgan has been a four-year starter in both basketball and volleyball for the Lady Jackets. She will be studying nursing at SHSU. On hand for the ceremony were her parents, standing center, Joseph and Antwanette Chandler, Lady Jackets Basketball Coach Brooke Robinson, left, Assistant Coach Chanice Smith, right, and, not pictured, Paul Chavez.



## Deployment of Chromebooks Begins the First Week in January with CHS Students



A major instructional technology initiative made possible with the passage of Bond 2016 will be put into action the first week in January with the issuing of Chromebooks to Cleburne High School students. The 1:1 project involving CISD secondary students will also include the deployment in January of devices at Smith and Wheat Middle Schools and TEAM School. Parents must complete approval forms before their student can be issued a Chromebook. The form, and information, is posted on the CISD homepage.

## Actress Janine Turner Leads Webcast on U.S. Constitution Involving Smith MS Students

Smith Middle School was among the campuses selected for a webcam presentation on the U.S. Constitution led by Texas actress and resident Janine Turner. Eighth graders served as the audience for the guest lecture in which they had the opportunity to interact with the presenter with questions and opinions relating to America's founding documents. Students were also invited to participate in the 2017 *We the Future* contest sponsored Turner's Constituting America project.



### Irving Elementary Students Experience Christmas Around the World



Irving Elementary students, and their families, experienced traditions and activities from Russia to Rio de Janeiro as participants in *Christmas Around the World*. The Great Britain booth was popular with students as they made and decorated crowns symbolic of England's monarchy. In photo right,



Sarah Alvarado serves samples of Brigadeiro, a chocolate candy popular in Brazil, which fifth graders made during their science classes. Students also made ornaments unique to countries around the globe.

### Pre-Kindergarteners Receive Christmas Gift of Reading



Retired CISD kindergarten principal Carolyn Myres, photo right, reads to Pre-K students during her visit to Gerard Elementary in conjunction with the annual My Very Own Storybook family literacy project. Students at Gerard, Marti, Santa Fe and Coleman enjoyed stories from guest readers, followed by a special



presentation in which they each received as book of their very own to take home and share with their families. The literacy program is a project of the Community Education Advisory Council.

### CISD Second Graders Receive Citizenship Awards from Board of Trustees



Second grade honorees from each CISD elementary campus were recognized by Trustees with School Board Citizenship Awards during presentations at the December 12 meeting. The honorees included, front, l-r, Katherine Luna-Adams Elementary; Koby Sanchez-Coleman Elementary; Tai Dang-Gerard Elementary; Ian Fiola-Irving Elementary; Shayna Legars-Marti Elementary and right, Brooklynn Kile-Cooke Elementary.



Not pictured is Madgaly Alcantara-Santa Fe Elementary.

### Wheat Jazz Band Brings Merry Musical Message to Campuses



The 40-member Wheat Middle School Jazz Band presented merry music of the season during assemblies at Irving, Marti and Cooke Elementary Schools, which are feeder campuses for WMS. The ensemble is under the direction of Faith Massey.



### CHS National Honor Society Inducts 44 New Members

More than 40 Cleburne HS juniors and seniors have been inducted into the Ruth Hopper Chapter of National Honor Society. New members of the academic service organization include Melanie Barbee, Danielle Base, Lacey Brown, Katie Bicknell, Matthew Cain, Landon Cody, Taylor Coleman, Kaelyn Curtis, Nick Duran, Fred Eichholtz, Isaiah Faulks, Carmen Gonzalez, Brianna Graf, Alexandria Griffith, Sadie Hough, Kailey Hughes, Preston Kelley, Sara King, Gunnar Kohl, Karlie Kruse, Lindsay Leck, Ashley Lozano, Abbi Marion, Gabriela Monsalve, Patrick Morgan, Luke Morton, Daniella Murguia, Andrew Philips, Austin Price, Karina Ramos, Mariana Reyes, Allysen Rice, Caden Roberts, Caitlin Rothell, Rachel Scheler, Hannah Sellers, Harley Stepherson, Trapper Tanem, Addison Wallace, Reagan Walker, Braden Walthall, Dylan Williams, Samantha Willis and McKinzee Vereen.



***Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from Cleburne ISD!***