

Weekly Update

A Weekly Review of Achievements & Activities in Cleburne ISD
September 26-October 3, 2016 *Featuring Two Picture Pages*

221 Cleburne HS Students Honored at Annual Academic Excellence Awards Presentation



Sadie Hough, left, pictured with Principal Le' Ann Downs, was among the 221 Cleburne High School seniors, juniors, sophomores and 2016 graduates recognized at the annual Academic Excellence Awards ceremony. For more than 35 years, St. Mark United Methodist Church has sponsored the academic recognition program. CHS students who achieved a 3.4 GPA or higher in the 2015-2016 school year were honored in the afternoon ceremony held in the Don Smith Performing Arts Center. Academic Excellence awardees were presented to first-time recipients and repeat achievers were awarded certificates.

Gerard Elementary Celebrates Opening of Outdoor Classroom



Open House festivities at Gerard Elementary included a ribbon cutting for the new Outdoor Classroom, which was a project of Gerard PTA. The covered outdoor learning space is located adjacent to the school garden and also features metal picnic tables.



Adams and Cooke Elementary Schools Team Up with HEB in Read 3 Literacy Project



Cooke and Adams Elementary Schools have teamed up with campus Adopter HEB and its Read 3 book drive and literacy program. Fourth grader Ava Ortiz was among the Cooke students who participated in a Read-In with Cleburne HEB representatives. Adams students have collected new and kindly-used books as participants in the HEB Texas-Size Book Drive project to place one million books in the hands of Texas children.

Smith Middle School Students Selected for Duke University Talent Identification Program

More than 30 Smith Middle School seventh graders have been selected for the 2016 Duke University Talent Identification Program. The national program recognizes 7th graders who scored in the 95th percentile in state testing, such as the STAAR exam. TIP honorees have the opportunity to undergo the SAT or ACT college entrance exams to provide greater insight into their academic abilities. Last spring, three CISD seventh graders were honored at a TIP state-recognition ceremony for their performance on the SAT.



The TIP honorees include: Sharon Andrews, Paola Belmares, Caroline Bennett, Braegan Blalock, Marissa Boshier, Jolee Brinkley, Bekah Brockett, Emma Burns, Aliya Carrizales, Logan Cato, Gloria Cepeda, Cavin Chumley, Rylie Clark, Joshua Collins, Alyssa Cox, Rowan Eyman, Elias Gann, Jacoby Hasan, Ashleigh Hightower, Camiel Hilton, Kylee Howington, Emma Johnson, Jonathan Lancaster, Mathew Limon, Cooper Madison, John Magby, Audrey McClure, Julia Newby, Nadia Owen, Erica Ramirez, Jason Summers, Stephany Villasana-Martinez, Aubrey Whitehead, Zoe Wilson.

Superintendent's Student Advisory Committee Conducts First Meeting of New School Year

Student representatives from Smith and Wheat Middle Schools, Cleburne High School and TEAM School will meet with District administrators throughout the school year as members of the Superintendent's Student Advisory Committee. Organized in 2014 by Superintendent Dr. Kyle Heath, Super SAC members serve as a communication link between administration and students, providing input and feedback on school-related issues. Last year, SAC members were issued iPads and Chromebooks on a trial basis to help the District determine which mobile device would work best for students in anticipation of the 1:1 initiative made possible with the passage of Bond 2016.



Super SAC members include: Meagan Baadsgaard, Parker Pritchard, Alejandro Quiroz, Audrey McClure, Nadia Owens, Aubrey Whitehead, Ethan Flores, Reagan Hanna, Raney Mead-Smith MS; Ernesto Jimenez, Bianca O'Bryant, MattieLu Ward, John Paul Garcia, Evangeline Hesa, Sarah Howe, Takara Bailey, Nicholas Guevara, Flower Lira-Wheat MS; Jordan Abbott, Cason Gregory, Isaak Cunningham, Alaina English, Amelia Kuykendall, Isabel Solis, Gunnar Kohl, Lindsay Leck, Addison Wallace, Reagan Dobbins, Jordan Gann, MeiLi Hall-CHS and Azure Cain, Vincent Spencer, Abby Tanner, Byron Cleveland-TEAM School.

Cleburne HS Musicians Named to All-Region Jazz Band



Cogdill



Vivoni

Cleburne High School Golden Pride members Brent Cogdill and Pierre Vivoni were named to the All-Region Jazz Band following auditions in September. Both placed second overall in the audition process, advancing them to the Area round of auditions in the Texas Music Educators Association All-State Jazz Band selection process. The CHS musicians recently participated in a taped audition at the Area level, with their recordings to be reviewed by judges in determining members of the 2016-17 All-State Jazz Band. They will be among the featured performers in the TMEA All-Region Jazz Concert taking place in November.

Golden Pride Places Third in Class at First Marching Contest of Season; Will be Competing Saturday at USBands Denton

The CHS Golden Pride has moved into competition mode, in preparation for the upcoming District 8-5A Marching Contest. The Pride was awarded 3rd in Class at last week's USBands marching contest in Burleson, performing their UIL entry, *The Caged Bird*. Cleburne will be competing Saturday at the USBands contest at Collins Stadium in Denton. The band will take the field at 11:45 AM in preliminary performance.



Marti Kindergartners Learning About Transportation



Marti Elementary kindergartners were on the move last week, as they traveled to the CISD Transportation Center and the Cleburne Regional Airport. Their visits included a peek inside a commercial jet and a tour of the maintenance facility which keeps the District's school buses up and running. The students are currently studying Community Helpers.



Thursday, October 6--Report Cards
Friday, October 7--1:30 PM Early Release for Parent Conferences
Monday, October 10--Columbus Day Holiday/Campuses Closed

**HOMECOMING 2016:
THE GREATEST HOMECOMING ON EARTH!!**



**CLEBURNE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
2016 BUSINESS EXPO
FEATURING
A SHOWCASE OF CISD STUDENT TALENT**



**Adams Elementary
Pre-K/Kindergarten Choirs**



Bekah Brockett



Santa Fe Elementary Academic Cheer Squad



CHS Cheerleaders



**Where the Wild Things Are
Irving Elementary Drama Club**



Coleman Elementary 3rd Grade Singers



**Ensemble Performance
Cooke Elementary
Vocal Roar Show Choir**

**CHS Golden Girls
Dance Team**

