Academic Excellence Awards Ceremony Honors 300 CHS Students

Kylee Howington, pictured with Principal Ben Renner, was among the 93 sophomores who received black and gold afghans as first-time honorees in the Academic Excellence Awards program, sponsored by St. Mark United Methodist Church. More than 300 CHS sophomores, juniors and seniors were recognized for achieving a 3.4 GPA in the 2018-19 school year. Seniors meeting the program standard by the end of the school year will be honored in May. A list of all the Academic Excellence Award recipients is posted on the homepage of the CISD website.

All-Region Middle School Choir Includes Smith Students

Seven Smith Middle School students were named to the Texas Music Educators Association All-Region Choir following auditions involving 30 middle schools across north Texas. Pictured with Choir Director Aimee Foster are front, l-r, Julia Whitehead, Baylee Kelly, Bryan Roman and AJ Robles (2nd year All-Region) and back, Jada Brinkley, Miguel Sanchez (2nd year All-Region) and Ethan Ainsworth. They will perform in concert on November 2 at Weatherford High School.

Pinnacle Bank Sponsors Shining Star Awards at Marti Elementary

The end of the first six weeks means a celebration of the hard work put in by students at elementary schools across CISD. Pinnacle Bank is the new sponsor of the Shining Star Awards at Marti Elementary, with honorees treated to breakfast in the library and yard signs. Pictured with Shining Star students Isabella Banda, Abigail Croslin (front), Malachi Murff, Avah Marcozzi, Elijah Murff and Carter Peace are bank representatives Dora Vasquez, Elizabeth Rodriguez and Amber Witte. Award winners also included Wyatt Speer, Justine Carrell, Braelyn Roy, Cassidy Mohr, Victoria Serrano, Dvante Davison, Avery Sims, Zoey Watson, Hunter Bishop, Brinay Brown, Azzariah Palmares, Jazmin Martinez, Levi Wurster, Jaxen Fossett, Landrie Roberts, Noemi Contreras, Derek Ford, Harper Ellis, Aliyah Gallegos and Bryce Corkran.

After-School Flu Clinics Available for CISD Students and Families October 22-24

Cleburne ISD will be partnering with Passport Health/Staying Health Medical Services in hosting after-school flu vaccination clinics for CISD students and families. Clinics will be held Oct. 22 from 3:30-5 PM at Cooke Elementary; Oct. 23 from 3:30-5 PM at Smith MS and Oct. 24 from 3-4:30 PM at Wheat MS. Parent/guardian must be present with their child. Flu shots will be $27, or the insurance provider will be billed if the parent provides a copy of their driver’s license and insurance card. The Vaccine for Children program for students with Medicaid or who are uninsured will also be available, with shots provided for $10.
NBC 5 Brag About Your School Focuses on Coleman Elementary

Coleman Elementary starred on NBC 5 newscasts throughout Monday as education reporter Wayne Carter visited the campus for his “Brag About Your School” weekly feature. Interviews with teachers, students, parents and Principal Marla Roth highlighted Carter’s report on the Coleman Colts, which ended with live coverage of the after-school pep rally. Students also had the opportunity to climb aboard the NBC 5 Thunder Truck for close-up views of the equipment used in coverage of severe weather from the field. Brag About Your School videos featuring Coleman are posted on the NBC 5 website. Parents can nominate a campus for the Brag About Your School feature at: nbcdfw.com/brag.

Golden Pride Places 6th at USBands Marching Contest; Colorguard Best in Class

The CHS Golden Pride came away with a 6th place finish at Saturday’s USBands Burleson Marching Invitational, with the Colorguard taking first in class. The Pride will be competing Saturday at the Birdville Marching Festival, taking the field at 1 PM. The band will participate in the first round of UIL competition on Tuesday as they perform at the Region 30 marching contest, taking place at Saginaw Chisholm Trail HS. The Pride has drawn a 7:30 PM performance time. Bands receiving 1st division ratings will advance to the Area contest.

$1 Million Grant Awarded to CISD Transportation Will Put 14 New Buses on the Road

The District will be receiving $1,096,197 through the Texas Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Program, which is being administered by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The CISD Board of Trustees gave approval in June for Transportation Director Dr. Chad VanWinkle to submit an application to the grant awards program, which is open to the state’s public entities. The grant award will fund 80 percent of the district’s purchase of 14 new buses which will go a long way in addressing replacement needs within an aging route fleet. Under application guidelines, the grant award must be used to replace school buses model year 2009 or older. For more information, visit the CISD website, www.c-isd.com.

Jackets Advancing to Team Tennis Playoffs With Bi-District Match Set Tuesday

Cleburne will face Kaufman on Tuesday for the Bi-District title in Team Tennis after qualifying for the playoffs this week. The matches will be played at Midlothian starting at 1 PM. Team members include Nick Crawford, Matt Limon, Tyler Wisenbaker, Ryan Evetts, Josh Jackson, Andrus Gavino, David Thornton, Roger Mascarro, Bekah Brockett, Emma Rohr, Grace Leverett, Megan Baadsgaard, Angie Andersen, Piper Reyna, Alyssa Cox, Bailey Hollingsworth and SaiAnn King, coached by Brett Almond and Assistant Mason Connor.

COMING EVENTS

**Saturday, October 19**  4-6 PM  Cooke Elementary Trunk or Treat

**Thursday, October 24**  5-7:30 PM  Santa Fe Fall Festival

**Monday, October 28**  6-7 PM  Parent/Community Dyslexia Services Information Meeting

CISD Board Room