

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

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Top performances highlight fall activities at CHS

Being the best on the field and off is the goal for our student athletes and performers. High expectations maximize talent, skill and hard work.

The Roaring Tiger Band competed at the Mesquite Marching Festival where they had a Superior performance, earning a 1st division from each judge. CHS also earned three of the five captions in 3A for Outstanding Winds, Outstanding Visual and Outstanding in Class. In the overall rankings of the contest the band placed 13th, leading the way in 3A and surpassing several larger schools.

UIL competition will be held at Mesquite Memorial Stadium on October 24.



Cross country teams headed to regionals



Both varsity boys and girls cross country teams are headed to regionals after placing in the district competition. Varsity boys, JV boys and JV girls placed first and varsity girls placed third in district. Coach Colton Reynolds said the girls are advancing to regionals for the first time in 15 years. Regionals are scheduled for the afternoon of October 22 at Lynn Creek Park at Joe Pool Lake in Grand Prairie.



ACE program hosts kickoff with family fun

The Texas ACE program family kickoff was held on October 6 at City Park where 48 people making up 13 families got to know each other by playing games, enjoying food and sharing different backgrounds.

ACW Family Engagement Coordinator Anissa Hodo said this event was just one of many planned for the year to assist families. Lunch will Santa will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on December 1 at the CISD Administration Building. Participants will receive a meal, door prize, gift, a picture taken with Santa and games and crafts. Tickets will be distributed at school on November 27.



CMS Site Coordinator Tyler Carthers (center) helps two girls complete their building project.



Vote for K-9 Coco

A new SUV will be given away to the canine unit who receives the most online votes in Vested Interest in K9s Inc.'s SUV giveaway.

Officer Dave Contreras encourages the community to vote daily through October 31. Scroll to the bottom of the officer photos to select Officer Dave and Coco.

The team is stationed at CHS where Officer Dave teaches criminal justice classes. Coco is a calming influence at the school and she is used for drug detection within the district.





CHS National Honor Society inducts 61

A total of 92 students make up the CHS chapter of the National Honor Society after 61 new members were inducted during a ceremony at the school on October 1.

Sponsor Glenda Henderson keeps her members busy with community service activities such as helping with CES's Royal Garden Party earlier this year.

Expect to see NHS members as bell ringers collecting funds for the Salvation Army outside Walmart. They will also participate in Clothe-A-Child helping students select new clothing as Christmas gifts from the Commerce community.



Winter Arts Festival 6 p.m., December 13 CHS

Students celebrate the arts with choral, drama and band performances, plus other artistic endeavors



Face painting, playing games and making crafts keep CES students entertained at the CES Royal Garden Party. CES Principal Wanda Beane said the event would be hard to pull off without the help of the NHS volunteers.

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Around CISD...



Elementary students who exhibit good citizenship are chosen to be tunnel runners at each home football game.

Childhood cancer awareness was the focus of a CHS pep rally in September.



Mayor Wyman Williams was an honorary captain at the Pottsboro football game at Texas A&M University-Commerce's Memorial Stadium.



First responders were recognized during pre-game activities of the Pottsboro football game. Thanks for serving!



The CHS Cheerleaders hosted a mini cheer clinic for elementary students.



NETCAT hosts career fair for hundreds of area students

Eighth graders from area schools attended the annual North East Texas Career & Technology Consortium (NETCAT) career fair held at Texas A&M University-Commerce. NETCAT Director Dr. Andrea Ellis said students are encouraged to visit with employers to help them determine their career interests and pathways.



CES Students of the Month

Commerce Elementary students were chosen as Students of the Month for October for their hard work, dedication to learning and leadership.

Pictured left to right back row: First Graders Jamari Masters, Piper Scaff Second Graders Parker Burns, Kristy Luckey. Front Row: Pre-K students Jase Kasper, Gwenivere Frank. Kindergarteners Jaiden Wilburn, Sara Garcia



Instructors and students from the Texas A&M University-Commerce music program practiced with Mrs. Weimar's choir at ACW.



Two friendship benches were donated to CISD by Progressive Heat & Air. Owner Jayson Campbell, shown with son and ACW student Roland, said the benches will be placed at campuses to promote friendliness. When students need attention from a friend, they sit on the bench and students are encouraged to join them. The Friendship Bench program was developed by Tiny Girl Big Dreams.