

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

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CSEEF Boots & BBQ coming up April 7

The Commerce Schools Educational Enrichment Foundation continues its work of contributing funds for teacher-initiated grants. This year's celebration and fundraiser highlights the results of over \$30,000 spent for classroom instruction.

Tickets are available at the CISD Central Administration Building at 3315 Washington St. For \$200, a donor will be designated a Foundation Champion. Tickets are \$25 each through April 3.

The event will be held at 6 p.m., Saturday, April 7 at Commerce High School.



Campus Teachers of the Year selected



Karen Davis, CES



Julie McLeroy, ACW



Kim Bruister, CMS



Terry Buckley, CHS

Four teachers were chosen by their campus peers as CISD Campus Teacher of the Year. Karen Davis, CES; Julie McLeroy, ACW; Kim Bruister, CMS; and Terry Buckley, CHS; were selected because of their professional, innovative and effective instructional abilities.

After interviews are conducted with a board member, elementary and secondary principals and last year's representatives, an elementary and a secondary teacher will be selected to enter the Region 10 ESC Regional Teacher of the Year program. Winners who will advance to the regional competition will be announced at the end-of-year picnic on May 19.

After having impacted hundreds of students at CISD, the teachers' influence will go on for many years.



Special Olympics team begins its season. Students from ACW, CMS and CHS have begun competing in area Special Olympics track meets. CISD will host a meet at Texas A&M University-Commerce on April 20.

CLI visits CISD

The Commerce Leadership Institute class visits CISD annually to introduce members to each campus. Administrators are happy to brag about the great things happening on their campuses.



CES Principal Diane Stegall (left) was eager to show off her campus's refurbished library. The Alice in Wonderland theme is bright, colorful and pint-sized for young learners.



First graders "performed" their morning sing-song chants of the days of the week for their CLI guests.



CLI visitors saw plants in the CHS greenhouse are being prepared for an upcoming sale.

Hall of Honor nominations open

Nominations for the Commerce Independent School District Hall of Honor will be accepted through April 27. Now in its ninth year, the Hall of Honor recognizes former CHS or Norris School students who have had a distinguished career and staff members who have made a significant impact on the students of CISD or Norris School.

Inductees will be recognized during activities planned to coincide with the Fall 2018 CHS Homecoming football game on September 7, 2018. An induction ceremony and luncheon will be held for all honorees at noon Friday. Prior inductees include Buddy Jones, Sue Sheppard, Norris Tanton, Alvis Alderman, Ann Champion, Bill Fuhrmeister,

Mary Hendrix, Loretta Kibler, Harry Champion, Emmett Day, June Dunn, Dr. Jack Pirkey, Myra Beadles, Dan Farell, Billie Garrett, Mary Spencer, Donna Crosby, Harriet Williams, Conner John, Billy Relford, Anne Mills, Mike Oglesby, Bruce Hineman, Steve Lineweaver, Sharice Henry Chasi, Dr. Jerry Lytle and Neal Stewart. Last year's honorees were Janet John, Chris Clark, Charlie Wilson and Dr. Mary Thomas.

Former students must meet the following qualifications to be considered: nominee must be an ex-student of Commerce ISD or Norris School; nominee must be out of high school at least ten years; nominee, or family member if deceased, will be expected to

attend the festivities for the day; and nominee must possess good character throughout their lives.

Staff members must have been employed in CISD or Norris School for at least four years; nominee, or family member if deceased, will be expected to attend the festivities for the day; and nominee must possess good character throughout their lives.

Nominations will be accepted through April 27 at the Commerce ISD Administration Building at 3315 Washington St. Nomination forms are also available online at www.commerceisd.org under Hall of Honor. Nominees from prior years will be considered and re-nominations will be accepted.



CES students visit land and sea creatures in Dallas

Second graders visited the Dallas World Aquarium after they researched an animal and presented information to their class about their subject.



▲ Eighth-grade students traveled to TAMU-C to work with university students in science labs.

◀ First graders visited the neighboring convenience store to talk about money and the cost of their favorite candy.



Students, teachers and parents rocked and rolled at the ACW sock hop.

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AP Physics seniors visited TAMU-C to sit in on a calculus-based physics class taught by Dr. Ken Montgomery. Students also participated in the lab class as well. Thanks to our great partnership with the university, CISD students have the opportunity to learn from professors and university students.



CISD Spring calendar

- 3/25 Aim for Success, 5 p.m. Family Engagement Center (behind CMS)
- 3/26 Honors Band concert, 7 p.m., CMS auditorium
- 3/27 CMS Science Academy for Parents, 5:30 p.m.
- 3/30 No school
- 4/2 No school
- 4/4 Rotary Club Top 5% Luncheon, Noon, CISD Admin Bldg.
- 4/7 CSEEF Boots & BBQ Celebration & Fundraiser, 6 p.m., CHS
- 4/10 English 1 STAAR test
STAAR 7th writing, 8th math
Pre-K Pre-Registration, Noon to 7 p.m. CES
- 4/11 STAAR 8th reading
Pre-K Pre-Registration, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. CES
- 4/12 English 2 STAAR test
- 4/14 FFA Alumni Auction, 5:30 p.m., CHS
Bike Safety Rodeo, 1 to 3 p.m.
- 4/16 CISD Board of Trustees meeting, 7 p.m., CISD Admin Bldg.
- 4/19 CHS Tiger with a Plan (Freshman orientation) 6 p.m. CHS
- 4/20 Special Olympics track meet, TAMU-C

- 4/23 Senior Parent Reception, 7 p.m., CHS
- 4/24 CHS Drama Club banquet, 6:30 p.m., CHS
- 4/26 CMS Band Concert, 6:30 p.m., CMS auditorium
- 4/27 CHS Band Concert, 7 p.m., CHS cafeteria
8th Grade formal, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., CMS cafeteria
- 4/28 CISD Solo/Ensemble contest
- 4/30 CHS Athletic Banquet, 6 p.m., CHS
- 5/1 Top Ten Dinner, 5:30 p.m., CHS Commons
CHS Honors Night, 6:30 p.m. CHS
CES Spring Musical, 6 p.m., CMS
- 5/3 Kindergarten Circus, 9 a.m., CES
CMS, CHS Choir Concert, 6:30 p.m.
- 5/5 Prom, 7 p.m., TAMU-C
- 5/7-11 STAAR testing 3rd – 5th grades
- 5/7 Algebra I STAAR test
- 5/8 Biology STAAR test
- 5/9 US History STAAR test
- 5/10 FFA Banquet, 6 p.m., CHS
- 5/10 CMS Band at Sound Post Music Festival, Canton
- 5/18 Early release, last day of school
- 5/18 Graduation, 8 p.m., TAMU-C Fieldhouse
- 5/19 Staff development
- 5/21 CISD Board of Trustees meeting, 7 p.m., CISD Admin Bldg.