

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

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Commerce leadership team visits CISD



Students and staff look forward to March each year when they invite the community in to view their progress during Texas Public Schools Week.

Open houses and art shows were held and the Commerce Leadership Institute (sponsored by the Commerce Chamber of Commerce) were welcomed by Superintendent Blake Cooper and then toured Commerce Elementary School, A.C. Williams Elementary and Commerce High School.



Campus guides led CLI members through the art-decked halls at ACW.



"I'll have what she's having." CLI members selected lunch from the CHS cafeteria.



CES kindergarten students using the new ActivTable impressed their guests. The new technology, provided by a grant from the CSEE Foundation, puts technology into the hands of the younger students.



CHS students and staff showed their iPad skills and projects to visiting CLI members.



Making his point through music



In his presentations to CMS and CHS students, Reggie Dabbs (shown in white shirt) played his clarinet and explained how his life was changed by a caring family. He told students to never let life get them down. He asked them to listen to their teachers because they might not realize what a huge impact they could have on their lives. CMS teachers joined in the fun.

CISD superintendent and student honored at Chamber banquet



CHS Senior Jessica King received the Youth of the Year service award from the Kiwanis Club. Michael Glas presented the award to her in the absence of Becky Thompson, President of the Kiwanis Club.



Superintendent Blake Cooper (second from right) received the Community Builder Award from the Masons during the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet. The award was presented by Cooper's son Wesley (left), Tom Faulkenberry and Arlan Purdy.

The Commerce Lion's Club sponsored eye exams for students in early March. CISD Director of Health Services Jennifer Speulda (right) says many students receive much needed glasses free from the Lion's Club each year.



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Families enjoyed visiting the ACW art show during Texas Public School Week.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 6 CSEEF Foundation Boots & BBQ Fundraiser, 6 p.m., CHS
- April 12 Bad weather day (no school)
- April 15 Board of Trustees meeting, 7 p.m.
- April 20 Ag Coop Auction
- May 4 Athletic Banquet
- May 7 Senior/Parent Banquet
- May 7 Theater Banquet
- May 11 Board of Trustees Election 7 a.m. –7 p.m. City Hall
- May 13 Top Ten Dinner and CHS Honors Night
- May 20 Spring Band Banquet
- May 23 Spring Band Concert
- June 7 Graduation



Elementary art teacher Lonnie Plunkett (right) welcomed her mother-in-law Linda, a former CISD teacher, to the art show.



Giving it their all...

A total of 78 CHS students gave blood during the Carter BloodCare drive in early March. As part of their classwork, students in the health science class observed.