



4. Awards/Achievements/Recognitions

Date: January 28, 2009

SUBJECT: DISTRICT STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

BOARD GOAL: All students will achieve educational excellence.

The Keller Independent School District will recruit, develop, and retain, a diverse highly qualified staff.

FISCAL NOTE: None

Background Information - Attached are outstanding achievements by:

National Center for Educational Achievement 2009 Just for the Kids Awards

- Bear Creek Intermediate School – Tedna Taylor, Principal
- Bluebonnet Elementary School – Stacy Blevins, Principal
- Fossil Hill Middle School – Dustin Blank, Principal
- Hidden Lakes Elementary School – Melanie Graham, Principal
- Liberty Elementary School – Janet Travis, Principal
- Willis Lane Elementary School – Cheryl Hudson, Principal

2010 Board of Trustees Appreciation Celebration

- Cindy Lotton, President
- Kevin Stevenson, Vice President
- Lara Lee Hogg, Secretary
- Jason Wylie, Member
- Craig Allen, Member
- Melody Kohout, Member
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Administrative Considerations: None

Communication Deployment:

- **Board Meeting Minutes**
- **The Key**
- **E-News**
- **School Notes**
- **www.KellerISD.net**

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Respectfully submitted,

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National Center for Educational Achievement 2009 Just for the Kids Awards

The National Center for Education Achievement (NCEA) recognized these six Keller ISD schools as part of its 2009 Just of the Kids Campaign for High Performing Schools in Texas. The NCEA used two measures in the analysis for this recognition: (1) growth and (2) college and career readiness (CCR). Schools recognized for growth achieved better improvement rates for their students compared with other schools with similar demographics. Schools recognized for CCR are the top five percent of schools in the state, based on the percentage of students scoring at or above NCEA's College and Career Readiness Targets.

Bear Creek Intermediate School – Mathematics, Reading and Science
Bluebonnet Elementary School – Writing
Fossil Hill Middle School – Reading
Hidden Lakes Elementary School – Mathematics and Reading
Liberty Elementary School – Mathematics
Willis Lane Elementary School – Reading

NCEA's Just for the Kids (JFTK) initiative began more than ten years ago and continues to provide the public with important information about school success. Today, JFTK web-based resources have grown to include, College and Career Readiness (CCR) School Performance Reports, interactive lists of Higher Performing Schools, Higher Performing School profile reports, and Self Reflections spotlighting successful practices shared by educators from Higher Performing Schools.

The National Center for Educational Achievement is a non-profit, non-partisan ACT organization whose mission is to help K-12 students reach College and Career Readiness (CCR). Reaching CCR requires rigorous academic preparation that should begin early during students' K-12 education. NCEA carries out data analysis, research, advocacy, and program development that promote high academic standards and student achievement throughout K-12 to help more students reach college and career readiness.

2010 Board of Trustees Appreciation Celebration

Governor Rick Perry has proclaimed January 2010 as School Board Recognition Month to help build awareness of the crucial role an elected board of trustees plays in our communities and schools. The Keller Independent School District truly appreciates the hard work and dedication of each of its seven Board Members, who voluntarily tackle the enormous job of governing this school district, and whose actions and decisions affect the present and future lives of our children.