



BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**3. Awards/Achievements/Recognitions**

**Date: November 18, 2010**

**SUBJECT: DISTRICT STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS**

**FUNCTION: Media Services**

**DISTRICT KEY STRATEGIC PRIORITY:**

- Educational Excellence**
- Excellence in Student, Parent and Community Relations; 2.1**
- Employee Excellence and Organizational Improvement**

**FISCAL NOTE: None**

**Background Information:** *Attached are outstanding achievements by:*

- Keller High School Marching Band State Achievement
- TASBO Certification Recognitions
- Heart at Work Winners
- Community of Character Student of the Month

**Administrative Considerations:**

- None

**Communication Deployment:**

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Respectfully submitted,

Shellie Johnson  
Director of Communications

## **Keller High School Marching Band State Achievement**

The Keller High School Marching Band advanced to the Texas State Marching Band Competition on November 2 after placing 1<sup>st</sup> at the UIL Area A Contest in October. At the state contest, Keller High was one of 36 bands who competed for the title, finishing 19<sup>th</sup> overall.

The UIL State Marching Band Contest brings together the finest marching bands in the state of Texas for a two-day exhibition of musical excellence, making it one of the most elite marching competitions in the nation. This was the 4<sup>th</sup> appearance at the state contest for the Keller High School Marching Band since UIL adopted the new format of individual classifications being judged at the state level on alternating years. Keller High was first-runner up to the state championship in 1999, as well as qualified for the competition in 2006 and 2008.

Drum Majors: Brooklyn George and Paige Waskow

Band Directors: Mark McGahey, Darla Turner, Mike Pickrell, and Frank Chapple

## **TASBO Certification Recognitions**

- ❖ KISD Records & Fixed Asset Specialist Vicky Johnson has successfully completed the requirements to earn the designation of Certified Texas School Business Official (CTSBO) by the Texas Association of School Business Officials (TASBO).
- ❖ KISD Director of Information Services Betty Hull successfully completed the requirements to earn the designation of Certified Texas School Business Specialist (CTSBS) by the Texas Association of School Business Officials (TASBO).
- ❖ KISD Assistant Superintendent of Business Vicki Burris has successfully completed the requirements to earn the designation of Registered Texas School Business Administrator (RTSBA) by the Texas Association of School Business Officials (TASBO). This is the highest professional designation from TASBO an individual can earn.

TASBO certification is earned through a combination of specified coursework, school business experience, and training in the area of specialization. Certified individuals must earn 60 hours of continuing education every three years to maintain their certification.

TASBO is an independent, not-for-profit professional association, dedicated to serving as the recognized source of accurate, objective school business and operations information, educating its diverse membership and constituency in professional best practices, and promoting high standards of conduct and professional ethics in the industry.

## **Heart at Work Winners**

- ❖ Janet Beagles, an ESL teacher at Indian Springs Middle School, was selected as the Heart at Work winner for October. Janet was nominated by fellow ISMS teacher Tim Berg, for using her own time to tutor one of his students while he was in a meeting. Tim said, *“Janet is a great teacher who always strives to be better. She has a positive attitude which rubs off on her students... and is a tremendous team player who collaborates not only to improve her classroom, but also to help other teachers with theirs.”*
- ❖ Juli Maddy, a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher at Friendship Elementary School, was selected as the Heart as Work winner for November. Juli was nominated by fellow FSES teacher Melissa Gilley, for working hard to get the math centers going and helping all of the teachers transition into using them. Melissa said, *“I am in love with this new method and I am so grateful for Juli’s ears when I am struggling. She is a team player, a great friend, and a teacher with her heart in the right places.”*

## **Community of Character Student of the Month**

Blake Alfaro, a 2<sup>nd</sup> grader at North Riverside Elementary School, has been named as the Keller ISD Community of Character Student of the Month for October. The character trait for October was Courage.