



Board Highlights • March 2015

RECOGNITIONS

The Board of Trustees recognized the following students, staff and community members for their achievements:

- **Blake Coleman**, assistant principal at Anthony Middle School, for saving a student's life. District 132 Rep. Mike Schofield was in attendance to publicly recognize Mr. Coleman.

The superintendent recognized students and staff members for honors and achievements earned in recent weeks. Congratulations were extended to the following:

- more than 3,500 participants in the annual Superintendent Fun Run, who helped raise more than \$40,000 for the Cy-Fair Educational Foundation (CFEF). The foundation supports CFISD students and staff through scholarships and grants;
- wrestlers who participated in the postseason. In girls' wrestling, Cypress Ridge won its 13th consecutive district team title with Cypress Falls second and Jersey Village third. Cypress Ridge also went on to win its third consecutive regional title and its second state championship in three years. Cypress Lakes won district in boys' wrestling with Cypress Ridge placing second and Cypress Ranch placing third. Thirty-five CFISD wrestlers from all 10 high schools placed in the top four at the Region III Wrestling Championships;
- basketball teams that qualified for the postseason. The Cypress Woods girls won the district championship with an undefeated 13-0 record, Cy-Fair came in second, Cypress Falls was third and Cypress Ranch was fourth. Cypress Woods and Cypress Ranch won their Region III-6A area-round playoff games and their quarterfinal games to advance to the regional semifinal. Cypress Woods continued on to the finals where it concluded its season. In boys' basketball, Cypress Lakes and Cypress Woods shared the district title with Cy-Fair placing third and Cypress Ranch finishing fourth. All four teams qualified for the UIL postseason. Cypress Lakes, Cypress Ranch and Cypress Woods each won their Region III-6A bi-district playoff games and Cypress Lakes won its area and regional quarterfinal playoff games before finishing its season in the regional semifinal; and
- swimmers and divers who qualified for the postseason. The Cypress Woods girls became the first girls' team to win a regional championship since 2008. Cypress Ranch placed third at the event. The Cypress Creek boys' team also placed third at regionals.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENTS

Laura Barrett, the principal at Owens Elementary School, has been named the new principal for Yeager Elementary School. Barrett replaces Susan Brenz, who was named principal at Woodard Elementary School in January.

Laura Ann Novacinski, the assistant principal at Andre' Elementary School, was named the principal of Andre' on Feb. 27. Novacinski replaces Marilyn Fredell, who announced her retirement effective March 6.

SUMMER SCHOOL

CFISD presented the 2015 [summer school plans](#) for elementary, middle and high school.

OPEN/CLOSED CAMPUSES

The Board approved the administration's recommendation for the 2015-2016 [Open/Closed Campus Designations](#) for student transfers.

SUPERINTENDENT'S BRIEFING

March is National Nutrition Month, a campaign that focuses attention on the importance of making informed food choices and developing sound eating and physical activity habits.

Spring break is March 9-13. All schools will be closed and classes will resume on Monday, March 16. Club Rewind is offering day camps for kindergarten to eighth-grade students every day over spring break. The registrations and six locations can be found on the CFISD website. In case of emergency, security may be contacted at 281-897-4337. Dr. Henry wished students and employees a safe, enjoyable and well-deserved vacation.

Summer school programs will be held between June 15 and Aug. 5, 2015. Schools will not be in session on Fridays. Other details for summer school such as program specifics, locations and exact times will be posted on the district's website.

AGENDA ITEMS

In other action, the Board approved:

- awarding bids and contracts and/or authorizing purchase orders as recommended in the posted agenda item:
 - 10 GB Wavelength Service
 - Athletic and Clinic First Aid Supplies
 - Electronic/Technology Equipment Repair Parts and Repair Service
 - Enterprise Wireless System and Onboarding Device Access System
 - Internet Infrastructure Components – Priority Two E-Rate
 - Janitorial Supplies
 - Lamps

- Library Books, Publications and Media Supplies
- Mass Communication Notification System
- Network Equipment
- Property Insurance
- Sheet Music
- Vocational Lab Supplies, Equipment and Housewares;
- tax refunds of \$500 or greater for Cypress-Fairbanks ISD;
- on first reading additions, revisions or deletions to district policies:
 - EB (LOCAL) School Year (Add)
 - EIAB (LOCAL) Grading/Progress Reports to Parents: Makeup Work (Delete)
 - EIF (LOCAL) Academic Achievement: Graduation (Revise);
- a request for a Texas Education Agency expedited waiver to allow the district to conduct additional staff training for reading/language arts, mathematics, science and/or social studies training in lieu of one day of student instruction in the 2015-2016 school year;
- adopting a resolution to expand the state's investment in pre-K education; and
- upholding a Level Two decision denying an employee grievance filed by Kelly C.