

## **Board Highlights • March 2016**

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### **RECOGNITIONS**

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

- approximately 5,000 community members who converged on the Berry Center and Towne Lake on Feb. 27 for the third annual Superintendent’s Fun Run. With the theme “Superheroes for Kids,” the fun run featured participants wearing superhero attire to illustrate the life-changing work of the Cy-Fair Educational Foundation and educators throughout Cypress-Fairbanks ISD. At the end of the Fun Run, a check worth \$52,250 was presented to Adrian Dominguez, Chair of the Cy-Fair Educational Foundation Board of Trustees;
- Francone Elementary School Principal **Dr. Tonya Goree** and Jersey Village High School Principal **Ralph Funk** for being selected as district representatives for the 2015-2016 Region 4 Principal of the Year award;
- **Kelly Ellis**, director of instruction at Cypress Woods High School, who was presented with the Chevrolet Spotlight Award by Lone Star Chevrolet for her incredible school spirit and leadership;
- students from five CFISD high schools, who were state finalists in the 2016 State UIL Young Filmmakers Festival, set for March 2 at the Paramount Theatre in Austin;
- the Cypress Woods High School computer science team, for recording multiple top-10 places, including a first-place overall team, at the UIL B Academic Meet at Magnolia High School on Feb. 12;
- CFISD swimmers, who captured one medal and several top-10 finishes at the UIL Swimming and Diving State Meet, held Feb. 19-20 at the Texas Swim Center in Austin. The Cypress Woods girls placed ninth overall in the state which marked the Wildcats’ third top-10 finish in four years. The Cypress Ranch boys placed 10<sup>th</sup> overall in the state;
- the Cy-Fair High School girls’ basketball team, for winning its Region III-6A quarterfinal playoff game to advance to the Region III Tournament;

- ninety-four student athletes from all 10 CFISD high schools who qualified for the Academic All-District 17-6A Girls' Basketball Team;
- the Cypress Lakes High School boys' basketball team, for completing its most successful season in program history on March 5 after an 83-77 loss to Sam Houston in the Region III-6A championship game at the Campbell Center in Aldine. The Spartans made three consecutive trips to the Region III tournament, with 2016 marking their first regional final appearance; and
- two girls' wrestling teams for placing among the top five and one wrestler from Cypress Falls High School for clinching a state championship in the UIL Wrestling State Tournament, held for the first time at CFISD's Berry Center, Feb. 19-20.

### **BOND UPDATE**

The Board authorized the superintendent or designee to finalize and execute a purchase and sale agreement for the purchase of an approximate 3.02-acre tract of land located adjacent to Campbell Middle School and negotiate and execute any and all required purchasing, cloning and development agreements.

The Board authorized the Superintendent or designee to enter into the miscellaneous professional service contracts related to the following projects:

- New Elementary No. 56; and
- Jowell Elementary School Renovations & Additions

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S BRIEFING**

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

Spring break is next week, March 14-18. All schools will be closed and classes will resume on Monday, March 21. 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 13 and July 25. 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.

The State Board of Education (SBOE) is accepting nominations for the 2016 Student Heroes Award through March 11. If you know a CFISD student who has provided outstanding service to benefit his/her fellow Texas students, be sure to nominate that student by going to our district website at [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net). Recipients will be announced in May and a certificate of recognition will be awarded to the Student Hero by his/her SBOE member.

In collaboration with Leadership North Houston, CFISD is collecting new bears to support local first responders when handling 911 calls involving children. The bears will help first responders

make a potentially traumatic experience more “bearable” for children. Drop off boxes are located at the Instructional Support Center at 10300 Jones Road and the Berry Center at 8877 Barker Cypress Road.

The CFISD HOPE Scholarship application is now available for interested 2016 CFISD graduating seniors who plan to pursue an education degree to teach health, physical education, recreation or dance. Go to [www.cfisd.net](http://www.cfisd.net) to fill download an application. The deadline to submit is March 28.

With the Cypress-Fairbanks mobile app, your school district comes alive with the touch of a button. Easily navigate through current news and events or check out the latest updates with social media like Facebook and Twitter. Quickly retrieve contact information, sporting scores, lunch menus and more! Visit the App Store or Google Play and search “Cypress-Fairbanks ISD” to find it.

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

In other action, the Board approved:

- tax refunds of \$500 or greater for Cypress-Fairbanks ISD;
- on second reading additions, revisions or deletions to district policies:
  - BF (LOCAL) BOARD POLICIES (Revise);
- awarding bids and contracts and/or authorizing purchase orders as recommended in the posted agenda item:
  - Athletic and Clinic First Aid Supplies;
  - Digital Radios;
  - Electrical Pump Repair Service, Parts and Equipment;
  - Fencing;
  - Janitorial Supplies;
  - Library Books, Textbooks, E-books, Publications and Media Supplies;
  - Lit, Dark or Self-Provisioned Fiber;
  - Mass Communication Notification System;
  - Network Equipment;
  - Sheet Music;
  - Vocational Lab Supplies, Equipment and Housewares; and
  - Wireless Access Points; and
- a third amendment to the Water Supply and Waste Disposal Agreement with Cypress Creek Utility District and authorized the Superintendent or designee to execute the same and any related documents necessary to complete the transaction.