

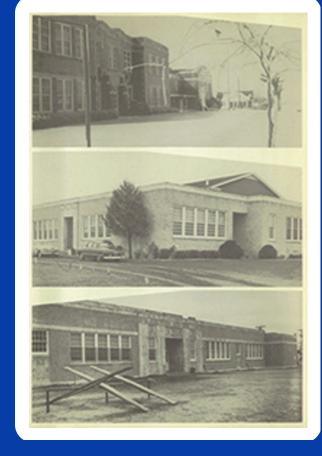




Nevada Bulldogs Josephine Dragons Lavon Yellow Jackets



The first Nevada school building built in 1913 is destroyed by a tornado on May 9, 1927.



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Nevada, Lavon, Millwood, McMinn, and Mt. Pisgah schools consolidate into Community Rural High School #718 for the 1947-48 school year with an enrollment of 235 students in 12 grades. There were nine students in the first graduating class of 1948, including valedictorian Aletha (Ivy) Hargrave. 8th-12th graders attended school in Nevada (above top), and 1st - 7th graders attended school in Josephine (above middle) or Lavon (above bottom).

1965

1975





Texas public schools integrate in 1965. **Charles Jones (above left) and Johnny** Rhodes (above right) become the first African-Americans to graduate from Community Rural HS as two of 27 seniors in the Class of 1966.

The namesake of one of the district's middle schools Leland Edge (above right) served as superintendent of CISD from 1972-1987.

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**Community Rural High** School #718 becomes **Community Independent** School District and all of the 840 preschool through 12th grade students attend school on a single campus for the first time in District history.



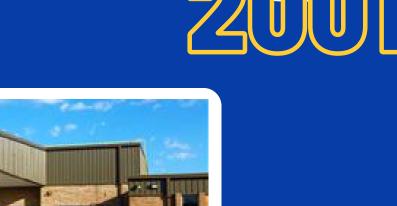






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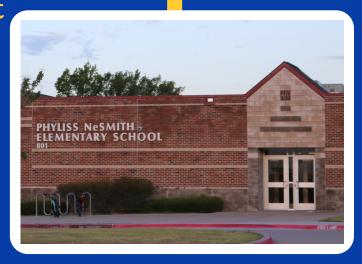








CISD's enrollment exceeds 1,100 students when the first elementary campus (below) opens in 1998 named after Carylene <u>McClendon</u>, who served as a teacher and principal in the District for 46 years.



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Named for 1956 CHS graduate Phyliss (Eubanks) <u>NeSmith</u> who taught in CISD for 24 years, the district's second elementary school (left) opens in 2008 as district enrollment reaches 1,500 students.

Junior Tammy Diaz wins a district-wide contest naming the Brave mascot Lacone Jo from the first two letters of each town: LAvon, COpeville, NEvada, and JOsephine.

## 2020

2022

As part of the 2017 bond program, a new **Community High School** opens on the first day of school in <u>August 2020.</u> With the district crossing the 3,000 student enrollment mark in August 2021, eight more classrooms were constructed in fall 2021, and another expansion is planned in Phase 2 of the 2022 bond program, adding a new wing with a capacity for over 2,000 high school students.





On May 7, 2022, the taxpayers of Community ISD approved a \$595 million bond program that would bring four new elementary schools, two new middle schools, an expansion of the high school, and additional facilities to the district.



In August 2022 the final portion of the 2017 bond program is concluded as John & Barbara Roderick Elementary (above) opens its doors for the first day of school in the 2022-23 school year. The school district surpassed 4,000 students on August 17, 2022.