

ON BOARD

JANUARY 2024

Thanks for your service!

School board members were treated to a special dinner with administrators and received gifts from each campus in recognition of School Board Recognition Month.

Board members serve the district countless honors without compensation.

Upcoming Board meetings

Monday, February 19

Monday, March 25

Meetings begin at 7 p.m. at the Central Administration Building at 3315 Washington St.



Janet John, former CISD educator and wife of the late Conner John, who served as an ag teacher in the district for 31 years, proudly waves the plaque signifying that the new ag shop and barn will be named the Conner John Memorial Agriculture Shop and Barn. She is shown with her daughter, Erin Swinson, and CISD Superintendent Charlie Alderman.

Board honors former educator Conner John

The CISD Board of Trustees voted unanimously to name the new ag building the Conner John Memorial Agriculture Shop and Barn. John was an ag teacher in the district 31 years and made a positive impact on countless students, including CISD Superintendent Charlie Alderman.

The ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony will be held at 5:30 p.m., Friday, February 9. Equipment was moved into the building on Friday, January 19.

The Board viewed a video presentation, called The Last Chapter at CMS, which showcased the campus's teachers and students as they celebrated their last year at the over 50-year-old campus. Alderman said that Jackson Construction could not guarantee that the new CMS building would be ready for the 24-25 school year in August but they could guarantee that it would be ready by October. Freezing, wet weather has delayed progress.

BOARD ACTION...

The Board approved:

- employing Rachael Tinderella as an English teacher at CHS,

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- employing Amber Goggans, Tri County SSA educational diagnostician,
- an election services contract with Hunt County Elections Administrator for the May 4 general election,
- a Resolution and Order of Election calling for a general election for Places Two, Six and Seven on the CISD Board of Trustees, and
- Anderson Fence and Custom Welding to build a fence around CHS as mandated by TEA. The wrought iron fence is being purchased through a grant and will enhance safety and security at the high school campus.

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Patricia Tremmel conducted the public hearing on the 2022-2023 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR). Board member Dr. Ray Green noted that performance was up in essentially every category. “We asked for progress and we are seeing progress,” he stated.

Superintendent Alderman said that enrollment was up 43 students or three percent from this time last year. Current numbers show 1565 students.

During a discussion of the 2024-2025 instructional calendar, Alderman presented two options: one based on this year’s calendar and another that puts the start date to the end of August in hopes that the new CMS building will be ready. The second option does not include a fall break and it shortens the winter holiday closure. Two board members, Kathleen Hooten and Doc Pierce, spoke about keeping the calendar aligned to previous years which include a fall break. Families are accustomed to having the time away and are already planning activities for times the District is normally closed, Pierce stated.

Alderman said that a final calendar would be presented to the Board for approval on February 19 after the UIL realignment is released on February 1.



CES ACE Site Coordinator Hannah Herrera interviews a kindergarten student who shared his views on kindness. The student in the background read her essay.

ACE Program success shines during Board presentation



CMS Site Coordinator Anfernee Johnson (right) showcased his ACE participants in the entrepreneurship program. These students were focused on their interest in hair and nail designs.