Community Independent School District

Established in 1947, Community ISD encompasses 89 square miles that includes the cities of Lavon, Copeville, Nevada, and Josephine - the namesake of our mascot, LaCoNe Jo. We are home to over 6,000 students attending nine schools: Dodson Elementary, Ellis Elementary, McClendon Elementary, NeSmith Elementary, Edge Middle School, Community Trails Middle School, Community High School, and the Braves Center.

We are empowering students by building **Character**, equipping them to take **Ownership**, fueling their **Drive**, and preparing them to achieve lifelong **Excellence**. We follow the Community **CODE**!

Facts and Figures

- In the 2025-26 school year, Community ISD was 39.49% Hispanic, 32.25% White, 20.68% African-American, 3.64% two or more races, 3.3% Asian, 0.56% American Indian, and 0.09% Hawaiian/Pacific Islander.
- 54.63% of our student population is categorized as economically disadvantaged, 27.01% are emergent bilingual, and 18.36% of all students receive special education services.
- Community ISD is proud to maintain an 18.7-to-1 average Student/Teacher ratio across all classrooms.
- Community ISD students maintained a 94.53% attendance rate for the 2025-26 school year. Please keep in mind that attendance is the best indicator of a student's future academic and career success!
- Community ISD received full approval as a Teacher Incentive Allotment (TIA) school district in the 2025-26 school year, and will have its first designees receive stipends in 2026-27. We are so proud that 33 teachers received "Recognized", "Exemplary", or "Masters" designations from the Texas Education Agency (TEA) in our first year of eligibility, and will receive stipends from the State of Texas that are tied to their teaching certificates for the next five years!

Community ISD Board of Trustees

The seven member Board of Trustees is Community ISD's policy-making body, and the official representative of the community. The Board of Trustees' goal is to ensure quality educational opportunities for all students in the district. The Board functions according to state and federal laws, regulations of the State Board of Education, the Texas Education Agency, and the will of the people as expressed in elections. The Board of Trustees, while composed of individuals, acts officially as one body.

Regular meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 7 pm at the Brave Nation Training Center & Board Room of the Terry Pope Admin Building.

Indviduals wishing to address the Board may do so at 6 pm each meeting. More information: https://www.communityisd.org/school-board/public-comments


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District Awards & Accomplishments - Last Five Years

- **Community High School earned 100% CCMR rate in 2021, 2023, 2024, & 2026.** The Class of 2022 held a 98% CCMR. The state average in 2024 was 82%.
- **Over 80 students have earned their Associates Degrees** from either Collin College or Trinity Valley Community College since 2021, including 33 students in the Class of 2026.
- **Four campuses earned Capturing Kids' Hearts National Showcase Schools designations in 2025-26:** Dodson, Ellis, McClendon, and Roderick ES. Nationwide, only 970 schools earned the distinction this year out of over 7,000 participating campuses.
- **Five facilities have opened in the last five years**, including Roderick Elementary (2022), Dodson Elementary (2023), Ellis Elementary (2024), Community Trails Middle School, and the Bob Bean Agriculture Facility, which opened in July 2026.



- **Six facilities have received or are currently receiving renovations since 2021**, including McClendon Elementary (2024), NeSmith Elementary (2024), the Braves Center (2023), the CISD Athletics Facility (Fall 2026), Edge Middle School Storm Shelter (Fall 2027), the Air Force JROTC facility (Fall 2026), and Community High School (Fall 2027).



- Community High School has continued to graduate students well above the state average of 90%, with every class since 2021 surpassing 95%. **The Class of 2026 ranked even higher with a 96.8% graduation rate**.
- McClendon Elementary's Student Council received an American Student Council Association (ASCA) School of Excellence designation in 2025-26, one of just 54 programs nationwide to receive this prestigious honor. **Their sponsor, Mrs. Pamela Simmons, was one of just 25 Exemplary Advisors in the nation!**
- Out of the 391 teachers who work in Community ISD, 37.2% have at **least 11 years of experience in education.**
- **The CHS Automotive Technology program had all 14 seniors achieve a perfect pass rate across 11 industry standards,** a milestone never achieved by any other high school autotech class in the United States.

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