

BOARD *REPORT*

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PROCLAMATION

The Clear Creek ISD Board of Trustees issued a proclamation designating Oct. 26–30, 2026, as Red Ribbon Week in Clear Creek ISD. The annual national observance emphasizes drug prevention education and awareness while promoting healthy, safe and drug-free lifestyles among students and throughout the community. Representatives from the Bay Area Alliance were present for the proclamation and were recognized for their ongoing efforts to support drug prevention education and awareness throughout the district. To learn more about the Bay Area Alliance, click [here](#).



From left to right: Trustee Jeff Larson, Board President Jonathan Cottrell, Jade Rocha, Lorraine Pinegar, Angela Sepulveda, Cassia Lewandowski, Director of Bay Area Alliance Leslie Tracy, Carrie Hendricks-Helm, Veronica Manes, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Karen Engle, Trustee Jamieson Mackay

RECOGNITIONS

League City Intermediate robotics team, the Penguinauts, was recognized by the CCISD Board of Trustees for earning the World Excellence Award at the 2026 VEX Robotics World Championship. The award is the competition's highest honor, recognizing overall excellence in judged categories and on-field performance. The Penguinauts were the only team among 585 registered teams representing 28 countries to receive the distinction. Watch their winning moment [here](#).



From left to right: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Karen Engle, Eloise Carroll, Benjamin Herod, Layla Flowers, Ilhum Maredia, Madeline Mark, Jason Simon, Alexander Vonau, Instructor Ricci Rodgers, Trustee Jeff Larson, League City Intermediate Principal Brent Kirkpatrick, Trustee Jamieson Mackay, Board President Jonathan Cottrell.

RECOGNITIONS



18 Clear Creek ISD students were recognized for their achievements at the annual Pasadena Livestock Show and Rodeo, where more than \$700,000 was awarded to students across five school districts. CCISD students earned top honors in several categories, including Grand Champion and Reserve Champion awards in livestock exhibitions and agricultural mechanics competitions. Additional students earned placements in swine, lamb, agricultural mechanics and school art competitions, representing Clear Brook, Clear Falls, Clear Lake and Clear Springs high schools. To learn more about the Pasadena Livestock Show and Rodeo winners, click [here](#).

Photo from left to right:

Instructor Mark Peak, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Karen Engle, Clear Lake High School Principal Liz Raska, Jennie Criddle, Mackenzie Risinger, Madison Elliot, Kingston Godeaux, Trustee Jeff Larson, Sophia Wenner, Autumn Burton, Board President Jonathan Cottrell, Matthew Artiga, Jackson Buford, Clear Brook High School Principal Monica Speaks, Benjamin Kapsack, Trustee Jamieson Mackay, Kaleb Chaidez, Instructor Stephen Hilliard, Randy Volesky, Trevor Schilling, Instructor Rafael Garza, Ariana Zepeda, Melanie Chavez, Lily Makepeace, Clear Falls High School Principal Klayre Poa, Clear Springs High School Principal Erin Schmidt, Instructor Kimberly Franzen

RECOGNITIONS

The Board recognized three Clear Creek ISD intermediate students whose artwork was selected for exhibition at the Texas Art Education Association's 2026 txEDCON Exhibition, held at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston were. The exhibition showcased student artwork before school board members and administrators from across Texas. See their artwork [here](#). Clear Creek ISD's exhibited artists are:

Bryan Apanco of Clear Lake Intermediate

Theodore Huynh of Westbrook Intermediate

Logan Novack-Babington of League City Intermediate.



Front left to right: Superintendent of Schools Dr. Karen Engle, League City Intermediate Principal Brent Kirkpatrick, Logan Novack-Babington, Instructor Eboni Johnson, Instructor Brenda Owens, Bryan Apanco, Clear Lake Intermediate Principal Jepsey Kimble, Theodore Huynh, Westbrook Intermediate Principal Jeffery Prince, Trustee Jeff Larson, Trustee Jamieson Mackay, Board President Jonathan Cottrell

RECOGNITIONS



The Board was proud to recognize 13 Clear Creek ISD high school students from across the district who were named Semifinalists in the 2027 National Merit Scholarship Program. Selected based on their performance on the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), these students are among approximately 1,471 Semifinalists in Texas and more than 16,000 nationwide competing for approximately 6,700 scholarships totaling nearly \$24 million. To learn more about this year's National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists, [click here](#).

Photo from left to right: Board President Jonathan Cottrell, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Karen Engle, Pedro Alvarez Perez, Clear Springs High School Principal Erin Schmidt, Ben Watkins, Paul Petrov, Clear Falls High School Principal Klayre Poa, Sarah Walters, Zaid Asad, Kara Pham, Clear Brook High School Principal Monica Speaks, Charlie Funke, Clear Creek High School Principal Ashley Orr, Vethmin De Zoysa, Samiksha Dhar Roy, Jason Dong, Brooklynn Mayo, Cathryn Wu, Rafael Zhang, Clear Lake High School Principal Liz Raska, Trustee Jamieson Mackay, Trustee Jeff Larson

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT



The evening's Program Spotlight featured Clear Tech, Clear Creek ISD's tuition-free, full-time virtual education program made possible through partnership with Texas Tech K-12, a division of Texas Tech University. Presented by Dr. Sharon Lopez, Executive Director of Secondary Education; Kelly Lane, Director of Learning Technology; and Cynthia Saenz, Clear Tech Counselor, the spotlight highlighted the program's implementation and progress, as well as the academic support, counseling services, and extracurricular opportunities available to participating students. The program is currently serving students in grades 3–9. To learn more about the Clear Tech Virtual Program or to enroll, click [here](#).

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Dr. Karen Engle recognized CCISD's 45 principals for National Principals Month, celebrated the Clear Creek High School boys water polo team's advancement to the State Semifinals, highlighted high school musicals and the CCISD Cares Food Drive, and provided an update on the superintendent search process.

The Consent Agenda, excluding Items 8 and 14, was unanimously approved.

Following discussion of the district's library materials review process, state compliance requirements, student reading interests, and parental choice, the Board unanimously approved the proposed new library materials.

Following discussion of anticipated cost savings through direct contracting, advance material purchases, and accelerated construction timelines, the Board unanimously approved Construction Contract 2027.400 for the MDF/IDF HVAC Replacement Phase 3 Project.

To view a video of the meeting, [click here.](#)