

NORTH LAMAR

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Annual Performance Report 2007-2008



2008-2009 NLISD School Board



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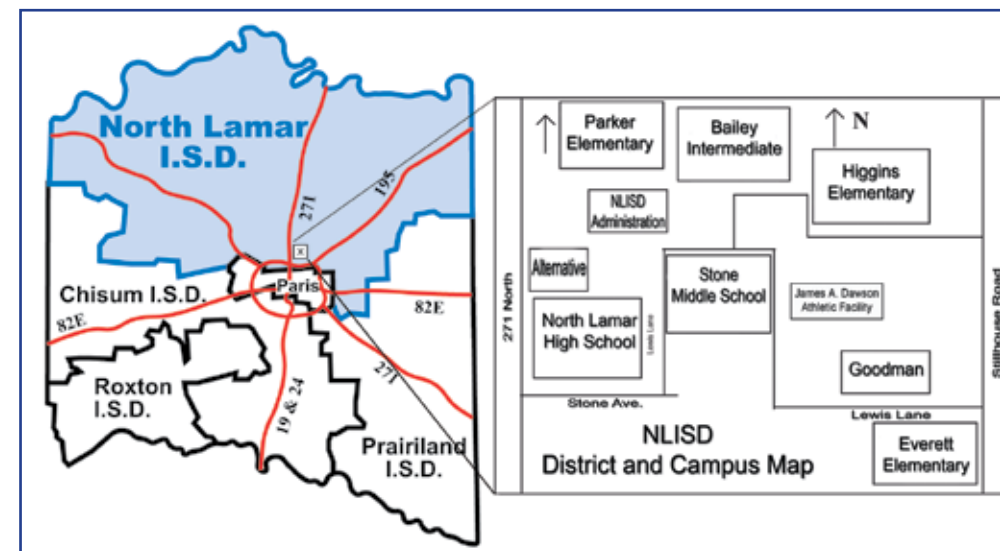


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The seven members of the North Lamar ISD School Board are a diverse group that come from the medical, banking, real estate, industry, concrete and construction fields. They are dedicated to serving in the public education system and meeting the needs of the students. Their leadership is vital for student achievement, academic programs, district funding and school facilities.



NLISD serves 428 square miles in northern Lamar County plus almost 3000 acres in Fannin County.

Powderly-Reno and Central consolidated in 1970-71 forming NLISD. Chicota joined the district in 1975.

NLISD's economy lies in business, industry, manufacturing, farming and ranching.

District and campus ratings are based on the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) report card by the Texas Education Agency. A full report may be obtained by contacting the NLISD Administration Office, any of the district's campuses, or by logging on to the website at www.northlamar.net.



James A. Dawson
Superintendent

Texas Education Agency
2008 Accountability Rating:
Academically "Recognized"

GRADES SERVED
Head Start
Early Childhood - 12th Grades

ATTENDANCE RATE
2006-2007 96.3%
2005-2006 96.2%

ANNUAL DROPOUT RATE
(GR 7-12)
2006-2007 0.3%
2005-2006 0.8%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION
African American 5.9%
Hispanic 5.3%
White 85.6%
Native American 2.2%
Asian/Pac. Islander 1.0%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
PER TEACHER
12.4

OPERATING EXPENSE
PER PUPIL
\$7,203

TAX INFORMATION
Maintenance & Operations \$1.040
Interest & Sinking Fund \$0.128
Total Rate \$1.168

DISTRICT ENROLLMENT
3,098

NORTH LAMAR ISD

BELIEF STATEMENT

The NLISD administration, faculty, staff, parents, and business/community believe that a productive, fulfilling, and nurturing environment for students must uphold the beliefs found below. The district is confident and representative of the characteristics listed below as the district's belief statements.

- Challenging, student centered curriculum with opportunities for hands-on application that establishes a solid educational foundation.
- All stakeholders form a partnership that is committed to achieving excellence for all students.
- All students can learn and should be viewed without bias.
- The educational environment is safe, positive, and conducive to the learning process.

DISTRICT & CAMPUS GOALS

Goal 1: North Lamar ISD students will be provided a quality education that will encourage individual growth and demonstrate continuous improvement in all academic areas.

Goal 2: North Lamar ISD will continue to improve the school's curriculum/instructional program by maintaining a highly qualified and informed staff, including teachers, administrators, and paraprofessionals in order to impact student achievement.

Goal 3: North Lamar students will be provided a quality learning environment that is positive, safe, and supportive.

COMMENCEMENT GOALS

- ◆ Be effective communicators in listening, writing, and speaking
- ◆ Have working knowledge of the core subject areas including the application of technology
- ◆ Be informed and productive citizens exhibiting positive character traits and having an awareness of issues that affect the world
- ◆ Be independent thinkers capable of solving problems, thinking critically, and making informed decisions



2007-2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- NL Elementary Teacher of the Year
Lori Malone (Bailey)
- NL Secondary Teacher of the Year
Patti Haley (NLHS)
- NL Regular Educator of the Year
Lisa Harroff (Stone)
- NL Paraprofessional of the Year
Stormie Scott (Bailey)
- NL Support Staff of the Year
Kelli Stewart (Stone)
- NL Auxiliary of the Year
Randy Freeman (Stone)
- Everett Principal
Carey Malone
Named President of the
Texas Elementary Principals and
Supervisors Association (TEPSA)
- NLISD School Board President
Gary Hilliard
Honored with the Professional, Human
and Civil Rights Special Award by the
Texas State Teachers Association
- NLHS Instructor
Joyce Coulter
Honored with the Willie Velasquez
Memorial Award by the
Texas State Teachers Association
- NLHS Resource Science Instructor
Sandra Patterson
Named Finalist for the Texas ATPE
Educator of the Year Award.
- NLISD Hosted the
Parent and Community
Active Parenting Program
- NLISD Received a Superior Achievement
Rating based on data from the
2005-2006 Financial Integrity
Rating System of Texas.

NORTH LAMAR EDUCATION FOUNDATION

- Established in 1998
- Fifty-one scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 were given to the 2008 graduates
- 386 scholarships awarded since 2000 totaling \$245,500
- A non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization
- Scholarships used at junior colleges, colleges, universities, vocational and technical schools
- Dual credit scholarships available
- Seven endowed scholarships
- Donations accepted throughout the year
- Memorials and honorariums are a lasting gift

TITLE 1 SERVICES

Title 1 school wide program provides opportunities for all students in the school to meet Texas' high performance standards. All North Lamar ISD elementary, intermediate, and middle schools are serving students through Title 1 school wide programs designed to benefit all children in the schools.

READING RECOVERY® is an early intervention program that helps selected first grade children to develop effective strategies for reading and writing. Specially trained teachers provide intensive, daily one-to-one instruction.

ORAL LANGUAGE is provided to Pre K-1st grade students for intensive instructions in receptive (listening) and expressive (speaking) language skills. Brain Gym activities are incorporated into the instructions.

LITERACY GROUPS are small groups of students led by trained Reading Recovery® teachers for the purpose of reading and writing acceleration. Strategies for successful, independent reading and writing are the focus for the groups.

FAST FORWARD is an individualized computer assisted learning program designed to improve sound processing speed and working memory which are vital to reading success.

PARAPROFESSIONALS offer a wide range of support for students and teachers. Based on individual campus needs, paraprofessionals may work with students in learning centers and/or computer labs or monitor small groups while the classroom teacher works with students who need specialized help.

BAILEY LEARNING LAB is designed to provide a variety of services staffed with one certified teacher and one assistant.

STONE MATH LAB is a partnership between the Success Center and Stone Middle School. The lab offers a daily remedial TAKS prep math program in addition to the student's regular math class rotating between developing individual math skills, a computer based TAKS prep, and practicing TAKS skills.

OTHER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES include Lightspan and high quality staff development for teachers.

OTHER SERVICES are summer school, TAKS tutoring for grades 3-5, and parent involvement opportunities

LAMAR COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION SSA

Lamar County Special Education SSA offers special education services to four school district in Lamar County. These districts include North Lamar ISD (fiscal agent), Chisum ISD, Prairiland ISD, and Roxton ISD. Personnel include a director, supervisor, diagnosticians, speech-language pathologists, vision teacher, orientation and mobility specialists, physical therapist, occupational therapist, LSSP, and technical and personnel support of special education programs. Over 800 students in Lamar County ranging from the ages of 3-21 receive

services. Lamar County SSA provides a full consortium of services ranging from mainstream to homebound.

Lamar County Special Education SSA in combination with North Lamar ISD and the other districts are working cooperatively to reduce the number of referrals and implementing intervention programs to all students who are in need of extra assistance. NLISD has implemented local interventions based on monitoring results from Performance Based Monitoring (PBM).

TECHNOLOGY

Three computers were added to every science and language arts classrooms in grades 3-11. The expansion of the Study Island software was implemented on these computers.

The district continued to integrate technology into all areas of instruction by having teachers trained in the most advanced computer proficiency skills. With a progressive eye for the future, technology across the district was updated and made accessible to all students and faculty.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

Superintendent James Dawson held monthly Key Communicator lunch meetings to share the district's news and accomplishments with community members.

Food baskets were distributed to needy families within the district during the Christmas holidays and Christmas "angels" were adopted and received gifts.

North Lamar employees had the opportunity to give to others through the United Way, the North Lamar Children's Fund, and the annual Jingle Bell Walk.



Paul Allen
Principal

Texas Education Agency
2008 Accountability Rating:
Academically "Acceptable"

Gold Performance
Acknowledgements:
Attendance (2006-2007)

GRADES SERVED
9th - 12th Grades

TAKS PERFORMANCE				
		9th	10th	11th
Reading	2008	96%	NA	NA
	2007	95%	NA	NA
Math	2008	80%	76%	81%
	2007	70%	74%	86%
Eng/Lang Arts	2008	NA	97%	93%
	2007	NA	89%	94%
Science	2008	NA	77%	82%
	2007	NA	58%	82%
Social Studies	2008	NA	90%	96%
	2007	NA	85%	98%

ATTENDANCE RATE		
2006-2007		96.3%
2005-2006		95.8%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION	
African American	6.2%
Hispanic	4.0%
White	86.4%
Native American	2.3%
Asian/Pac. Islander	1.1%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
PER TEACHER - 12.6

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$5,187

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT - 971

SAT SCORES
Class of 2007 - 1032
Class of 2006 - 1005

ACT SCORES
Class of 2007 - 21.5
Class of 2006 - 21.5

NORTH LAMAR HIGH SCHOOL

CAMPUS DESCRIPTION

North Lamar High School consists of grades 9-12. NLHS provides educational opportunities for all students, consisting of a variety of career and technology classes. Also, offered are numerous extracurricular activities including academic UIL, band, theatre arts, choir, and athletics. NLHS has been highly successful in all areas of extracurricular activities participating in post district competitions throughout the year.



STUDENTS PROVIDED WITH:

- Drug awareness programs
- Sexual abstinence programs
- Opportunities to attain college credit from dual credit offerings through Paris Junior College
- Opportunity to attain college credit from Advanced Placement course offerings

2007-2008 HIGHLIGHTS

NLHS Teacher of the Year
Patti Haley

NLHS Regular Educator of the Year
Christal Bradshaw

NLHS Paraprofessional of the Year
Marcy Annett

NLHS Support Staff of the Year
Carla Moffitt

NLHS Auxiliary of the Year
Wesley Williams

Valedictorian
Daniell Jones

Salutatorian
Logan Healey

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- NEA Executive Committee Member spoke to students about the African-American heritage during Black History Month.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters School Based Mentoring Program continued
- Extended library times (3:30 – 7:30 p.m.) every Tuesday throughout the year gave students and parents additional research and technology times for school projects.

NATIONAL RECOGNITION:

2007 National Merit Scholarship
Commended Students
Matthew Corley, Josh Mooneyham

AP Scholars with Distinction Award
Madeline Cosgrove

AP Scholars with Honor Award
**Matthew Corley, Joel Dishman,
Luke Irwin**

AP Scholars
**Nicole Allee, Emily Elsberg, Logan Healey, Danielle Jones, Stephen Smith,
Noah Stewart**

HOSA National Leadership
Personal Care Champions
**Jacob Malone (1st place)
Courtney Ballard (7th place)**

FBLA National Competition
Accounting II
Anissa DeJoux (4th place)

National Automotive
Technology Competition
Robert Allard (10th place team)

National Stihl, Inc. Certifications
Silver: **Kevin Porter, Taylor Harris**
Bronze: **Devin Parson, Jacob Cooper**

STATE RECOGNITION:

HOSA State Personal Care Winners
**Courtney Ballard (2nd place)
Jacob Malone (3rd place)**

FBLA State Accounting 1 Winners
**Tawney King (2nd place)
Russell Jahn (4th place)**

NL Beta Club
(4th time to hold state office in 6 years)
State Vice-President
Samuel Cosgrove

UIL Academics
Lincoln Douglas Debate
State Champion
Matthew Corley

UIL Poetry Interpretation
Katie Caraway (4th place)

UIL Prose
Jordan Sulsar (placed in the top 10)

UIL Computer Applications
Jessica Martin (Place in the top 10)

Texas All-State Women's Choir
Cassandra Wilson

Small Engine Skills USA
State Winners
**Taylor Harris (2nd place in Outdoor Power
Equipment)
Ashley Tuttle (3rd place in Marine
Information)**

FFA State Rodeo Team Champs
Gilly Flautt, Alex Flautt, Hamish Harley

Boys Track & Field State Qualifiers
Qualon Fort, Justin Collard

Powerlifting State Qualifier
Elijah Rater

Special Olympics
State Bowling Participants
**DeAnna Bernard, Darkius Blacksher,
Jared Earlenbaugh, Hailee Earnest,
Justin Graves, Josh Johnson,
Joey Klaber, Matt Shirley, Susie Stewart,
Brittany Thompson, Dominique Williams,
Jimmy Willing**

ACADEMICS

- 78 NLHS seniors recognized as Texas Scholars
- 108 students received the Distinguished Achievement or Recommended transcript
- 5 individuals and 5 teams placed at the District UIL meet
- 6 individuals and 2 teams placed at the Region UIL meet with 4 advancing to the State UIL
- 12 students recognized at the regional science fair

SPORTS

- 4 named to All-District Boys Basketball
- 4 named to All-Red River Valley Boys Basketball
- 4 named to All-District Baseball
- 6 named to All-Red River Valley Baseball
- 4 named to All-District Football
- 9 named to All-Red River Valley Football
- Head Football Coach **Tommy Felty** named All-Red River Valley Coach of the Year
- Boys Golf 4th in District
- 1 named as Regional Qualifier in Boys Golf
- 5 named Regional Qualifiers in Powerlifting
- 4 named to All-District Boys Soccer
- 5 named Regional Qualifiers in Boys Track and Field
- Girls Cross Country 2nd in District
- 6 named to All-District in Girls Basketball
- 5 named to All-Red River Valley Girls Basketball
- Girls Golf 2nd in District
- Girls Soccer District Champions
- 13 named to All-District Girls Soccer
- Softball District Champions
- 13 named to All-District Softball
- 5 named to Academic All-District Softball
- 8 named to All-Red River Valley Softball
- 7 named Regional Qualifiers in Girls Track

- Volleyball District Champions & Area Finalist
- 10 named to All-District Volleyball
- 6 named to Academic All-District Volleyball
- 7 named to All-Red River Valley Volleyball
- Volleyball Coach **Jimmy Stripland** named All-District and All-Red River Valley Coach of the Year

CAREER & TECHNOLOGY

- 3 HOSA students placed at Area, 2 advanced to State, 1 elected Area III Secretary
- 3 FBLA students placed at District advanced to State
- 6 students placed at District in the Small Engine Skills USA competition and advanced to State
- The Wildlife Team placed 1st at District and 6th at Area
- 5 blue ribbons and 1 red ribbon were won at the Houston Project Show
- 2 students placed at the District Skills USA contest and advanced to State

BAND

- UIL Marching Contest 1st Division Marching Band
- UIL Concert & Sightreading Contest 1st Division Concert Band Trophy
- UIL Concert & Sightreading Contest 1st Division Symphonic Band Sweepstakes Trophy
- 51 students named to the All-Region Band
- 24 Students name to Area Band
- 2 named to All-Region Orchestra
- 26 Students were named 1st Division Soloists
- 39 Students named 1st Division Ensemble
- 51 students participated in State Band
- **Cassandra Wilson** earned 1st Chair Honors at Regional

CHOIR

- 10 students named to the All-Region Choir



Steve Sparks
Principal

Texas Education Agency 2008
Accountability Rating:
Academically "Acceptable"

Gold Performance
Acknowledgements:
Commended on Reading/ELA
Commended on Social Studies

GRADES SERVED
6th - 8th Grades

TAKS PERFORMANCE

		6th	7th	8th
Reading	2008	94%	92%	97%
	2007	93%	91%	93%
Math	2008	90%	87%	93%
	2007	83%	86%	84%

Writing	2008	NA	92%	NA
	2007	NA	97%	NA

Social Studies	2008	NA	NA	97%
	2007	NA	NA	92%

Science	2008	NA	NA	78%
	2007	NA	NA	71%

ATTENDANCE RATE

2006-2007	96.2%
2005-2006	96.4%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION

African American	6.0%
Hispanic	4.7%
White	86.5%
Native American	2.3%
Asian/Pac. Islander	0.6%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER
TEACHER - 12.3

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL:
\$4,852

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT: 704

FRANK STONE MIDDLE SCHOOL

CAMPUS DESCRIPTION

Frank Stone Middle School is a 6th, 7th, and 8th grade campus. Students are challenged to reach for excellence in academic studies. A variety of electives are offered, and students can earn high school credits in Algebra I, Health, and Spanish I. Additionally, the middle school offers excellent fine arts and athletic programs. Students are encouraged to participate in extra-curricular events. An active PTO is a great asset to the school.



2007-2008 HIGHLIGHTS

Stone Teacher of the Year
Joseph Musgrove

Stone Regular Educator of the Year
Lisa Harroff

Stone Paraprofessional of the Year
Renee Williams

Stone Support Staff of the Year
Kelli Stewart

Stone Auxiliary of the Year
Randy Freeman

RECOGNITIONS

- Soil And Water Conservation Essay Contest winners were Paige Allen, Evan Bivens, Mason Morrow
- 62 students were identified in the Duke University Talent Search
- Fifty 7th grade and forty-three 8th grade students were initiated into the National Jr. Honor Society
- 14 students named to the All-Region
- Choir Treble Choir 1st Division Rating on stage performance
- 34 students named to All-Region Band
- The band received the NE Middle School 23rd Consecutive Band Sweepstakes Awards
- Honor Band received a 1st Division Award in Concert and Sightreading
- Symphonic Band received a 1st in Sightreading

- 132 Medals were earned in the UIL Band Solo & Ensemble Contest
- Honor Band participated in the Spring Fest Music Festival at the Murchison Performing Arts Center on the campus of University of North Texas.
- Stone was 2nd Place winner in the Academic UIL Contest and 76 students won individual medals.
- The 7th & 8th grade Volleyball teams were named District Champions.
- The 7th & 8th grade Girls Basketball Runner-ups
- 7th & 8th Girls Track Runner-ups
- 2 students advanced to the Lamar County Spelling Bee

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

- Stone had three Family Nights where different academic classes had activities for parents to see what their students were doing in class.
- Student Council sponsored a food drive at Christmas time for needy families.
- Stone students had a fund-raiser for the American Cancer Society.
- The Stone Element, the school newspaper was started in the Journalism classes.
- Aim For Success student abstinence assembly was presented to the students.
- Title I Programs
 - Math Lab
 - Fast ForWord
 - Summer School
 - After School Tutoring

GENEVA BAILEY INTERMEDIATE



Missy Merritt
Principal

Texas Education Agency
2008 Accountability Rating:
Academically "Exemplary"

Gold Performance Acknowledgments:
Commended on Mathematics
Commended on Science

GRADES SERVED
4th - 5th Grades

TAKS PERFORMANCE

		4th	5th
Reading	2008	91%	92%
	2007	90%	88%

Math	2008	96%	97%
	2007	99%	97%

Writing	2008	92%	NA
	2007	93%	NA

Science	2008	NA	94%
	2007	NA	96%

ATTENDANCE RATE

2006-2007	96.8%
2005-2006	96.7%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION

African American	6.5%
Hispanic	6.5%
White	84.6%
Native American	1.3%
Asian/Pac. Islander	1.0%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
PER TEACHER - 12.9

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$5,073

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
397

CAMPUS DESCRIPTION

Bailey Intermediate School is a 4th and 5th grade campus that provides the setting in which students emerge as responsible learners and citizens. Focus is on improving student achievement and commitment to excellence in education. Extended time is offered in Scientific Learning Language and Reading, Reading and Math Lab, Content Mastery, Dyslexia, ESL, Gifted and Talented, and Success Center Reading Program. Bailey's excellent PTO provides outstanding parent involvement and support.



2007-2008 HIGHLIGHTS

Bailey Teacher of the Year
Lori Malone

Bailey Regular Educator of the Year
Jenene Cannon

Bailey Paraprofessional of the Year
Stormie Scott

Bailey Support Staff of the Year
Randy Dollins

Bailey Auxiliary of the Year
Keith Carpenter

RECOGNITIONS

PCT Participants:
Josh Resnick, Sydney Chadwick,
Anah Elrod, Leslie Elliott, Abby Lacey,
Olivia Stankus, Chase Allen

Skip, Jump, and Run Winners:
1st Place - Presley Crawford
2nd Place - Hannah Sartor
3rd Place - Hunter Sartor

4-H Participants:
5th grade: - Erin Boaz, Carter Brumley,
Ryan Alexander
4th grade: Payten Pridemore,
Clay Womack

Madison Wright Reading Award
Halena Dyck

Bailey Dallas Morning News
Spelling Bee Winners:
5th Grade: Abbey Blake, Chandler Miller

Fire Safety Poster Winner
Abbey Lacey

Lamar County Water Poster Contest
Participants (4th Grade):
1st Place - Olivia Stankus
2nd Place - Mackenzie Beckman
3rd Place - Meagan Baxter

Student Council Leadership Participants:
Grant Erickson, Ty Jones, Ashley White,
Ethan Carter

Cookie Dough Top Sellers:
5th grade: Michael Loranger - \$798
4th grade: Alex Stickland - \$2,100

- Special Activities
- 5th Grade Fun Day
 - Fifth grade classes performed for area nursing home and retirement centers during Christmas
 - Family Reading, Math, and Technology Nights
 - 4th Grade Video Conferences
 - 4th & 5th Grade PTO Programs

- Community Involvement Programs
- Active Parenting Program
 - Parent PTO Involvement
 - DARE
 - Big Brother Big Sister
 - Mentoring

- Title I Programs
- Fast ForWord
 - Bailey Learning Lab
 - Summer School & Tutoring
 - Reading & Math Intervention



Carey Malone
Principal

Texas Education Agency 2008
Accountability Rating:
Academically "Exemplary"

Gold Performance Acknowledgments:
Commended on Reading/ELA

GRADES SERVED
2nd - 3rd Grades

TAKS PERFORMANCE

		3rd
Reading	2008	99%
	2007	96%
Math	2008	97%
	2007	93%

ATTENDANCE RATE

2006-2007	96.9%
2005-2006	96.4%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION

African American	6.4%
Hispanic	5.9%
White	84.2%
Native American	2.1%
Asian/Pac. Islander	1.3%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
PER TEACHER
13.0

EXPENDITURES
PER PUPIL
\$5,220

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
374

CECIL EVERETT ELEMENTARY

CAMPUS DESCRIPTION

Everett Elementary School is a 2nd and 3rd grade campus that strives to provide an exemplary education for all students by providing a wide range of services and programs designed to meet individual needs while helping to reach campus and district goals.



2007-2008 HIGHLIGHTS

Everett Teacher of the Year
Jennifer McEwin
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Everett Regulator Educator of the Year  
Shelly Bivens  
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Everett Paraprofessional of the Year
Tracy Gibson
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Everett Support Staff of the Year  
Kara Lane  
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Everett Auxiliary of the Year
Cheryl McKnight

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

- Angel Tree Food & Gift Drive
- Back to School Bash
- Six Weeks Awards Assemblies
- Grandparents Day
- Homecoming Parade Float
- Constitution Day and Weekly Activities
- Safe & Drug Free Assembly
- Reading is Fundamental (RIF) Book Distributions during Family Nights
- Family Math Night
- Family Science & Technology Night
- Family Reading Night
- Active Parenting Conference
- PTO Programs - 2nd & 3rd Grades
- Fall & Spring Book Fairs
- Everett Spirit Night at NL High School
- TAKS Pep Rally
- Observance of Texas Public School Week
- 2nd & 3rd Grade Field Trips to Wade Park
- Careers on Wheels Day
- Nifty Fifties Day
- Food Service Nutritional Poster Contest
- Visits by Johnny Appleseed, Clifford, Santa

- Skip, Jump and Run for Physical Education & NL Children's Fund
- Historical Tour of Paris - 3rd Grade
- Paris Community Theater
- Yearbook Presentation Assembly
- Mobile Dairy Lab Presentation
- A.R. Reward Party & Incentives
- Native American Artifacts Presentation

Dr. Suess Day for
Read Across America
Guest Readers:
Superintendent James Dawson,
Resource Officer Jeff Akard,
North Lamar Panther Football Players

- John Paul Chapman Puppet Show
- Jingle Bell Walk
- Thanksgiving Family Lunch
- Spring Musical Program at Local Nursing Homes
- G.T. Day
- Observance of Red Ribbon Week Activities
- Jim Lord: Beginning of a Hero Program
- Project Wisdom Daily Announcements
- Jim Lord: Bullying Program (Weekly)
- Paris Kiwanis Club Terrific Kids Program
- UIL Academics Competition

- Services provided:
- Computer lab
 - Success Center for resource reading/math instruction
 - Gifted and talented program
 - Dyslexia therapy with a Scottish Rite trained therapists
 - Content mastery for academic support
 - ESL instruction/support
 - Small group reading support
 - Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring program
 - Teaming time for instructors
 - Inclusion Math

- Title 1 Programs
- Literacy groups
 - Summer School
 - TAKS Tutoring for Grade 3
 - Fast ForWord



Claudia Pursifull
Principal

Texas Education Agency 2008
Accountability Rating:
Academically "Exemplary"

Higgins is paired with its receiving
campus, Everett Elementary.

GRADES SERVED:
Early Childhood - 1st Grade

ATTENDANCE RATE:

2006-2007	95.9%
2005-2006	96.1%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION

African American	5.1%
Hispanic	7.4%
White	83.5%
Native American	2.5%
Asian/Pac. Islander	1.5%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
PER TEACHER
13.4

EXPENDITURES
PER PUPIL
\$4,455

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
393

W. L. HIGGINS ELEMENTARY

CAMPUS DESCRIPTION

In January of 1989, W. L. Higgins Elementary School, named for former superintendent of Chicota schools, opened its doors, providing the much needed space for the growing North Lamar school district. Grades K-2 from Everett Elementary moved into the new building designed especially for primary grades. Today, Higgins Elementary is the home for students as young as three years of age. Early education, PPCD, pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and 1st grade are now housed on the Higgins campus. Students from Higgins feed into the Cecil Everett Elementary campus as second graders.



2007-2008 HIGHLIGHTS

Higgins Teacher of the Year
Marla Sessums
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Higgins Regular Educator of the Year  
Julie Green  
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Higgins Paraprofessional of the Year
Carol Farmer
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Higgins Support Staff of the Year  
Lynnette Johnson  
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Higgins Auxiliary of the Year
Darla Seelye

- Participated in video conference via the internet
- Classroom visits by local health care professionals
- Outstanding PTO provided support and parent involvement
- PTO programs and performances by grade level
- Utilized RSVP Volunteers
- Honored school volunteers with recognition and reception
- Honored principal with retirement reception
- Sponsored Fall Harvest Festival
- Participated in Fall Fund-raiser
- Participated in North Lamar Education Foundation activities
- Supported Homecoming with a "cheer section" during the parade
- Presented "Active Parenting" programs
- Community-based Field Trips: police station, fire station, post office, community theatre etc.
- Observed special days: Grandparent's Day, Kite Day, Beach Day etc.

- Visited local nursing homes with Christmas program
- Worked with "Bailey Buddies" in classrooms
- Participated in "Reading Is Fundamental" (RIF) with Free Book Distributors
- Sponsored "Computers For Education" activities
- Hosted Parent Activities: "Doughnuts with Dads" and "Muffins with Mom"
- Participated in "Boxtops for Education"
- Presented "Young Authors Conference"
- Honored top "Accelerated Readers"
- Observed "Texas Public School Week"
- Participated in "Red Ribbon Week" activities
- Sponsored a Book Fair
- Presented Family Activities: Family Math Night, Family Reading Day, Family Science & Social Studies Day
- Sponsored "Canned Food Drive" and "Angel Tree"
- Christmas Activities: Video Conference with Santa, Polar Express Day
- Participated in Skip, Jump & Run Fund-raiser
- Comprehensive Guidance Program
- Tutoring
- Accelerated Reading and Math Instruction
- SUCCESS Reading Intervention Program
- Reading Recovery program with one-on-one instruction
- Literacy groups with trained Reading Recovery teachers
- Gifted and Talented Instruction
- ESL (English as a Second Language) instruction and support
- Provided "Teaming Time" for classroom teachers
- Special Services for qualified students: Physical, Occupational, Vision and Speech Therapies
- Learning Center/Content Mastery for academic support
- Oral Language Development program
- Scientific Researched-Based Learning programs: Fast ForWord, Basic, Away We Go Summer School Program



Billie Paskin
Principal

Texas Education Agency 2008
Accountability Rating:
Academically "Recognized"

Gold Performance
Acknowledgements:
Commended on Science
Comparable Improvement:
Mathematics

GRADES SERVED: Head Start,
Kindergarten - 5th Grade

TAKS PERFORMANCE

		3rd	4th	5th
Reading	2008	78%	80%	99%
	2007	77%	86%	84%
Math	2008	75%	75%	90%
	2007	62%	97%	86%
Writing	2008	NA	82%	NA
	2007	NA	80%	NA
Science	2008	NA	NA	99%
	2007	NA	NA	86%

ATTENDANCE RATE

2006-2007	95.6%
2005-2006	96.1%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION

African American	4.6%
Hispanic	.8%
White	87.3%
Native American	2.3%
Asian/Pac. Islander	0.0%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER
TEACHER: 9.8

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$6,429

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
259

AARON PARKER ELEMENTARY

CAMPUS DESCRIPTION

Aaron Parker Elementary School is a Head Start through 5th grade campus best described as having a friendly, family atmosphere. Staff members soon know most students, parents, and stakeholders. Parker values the partnership and input of parents striving to make all students successful learners. In the early years, focus is on helping every child become a fluent reader with good comprehension. It is the desire for all students to become mathematically literate and successful in all content areas.



2007-2008 HIGHLIGHTS

- Parker Teacher of the Year
Marion Hutchison
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- Parker Regular Educator of the Year
Pam Nichols
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- Parker Paraprofessional of the Year
Donna McGee
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- Parker Support Staff of the Year
Jessica Martin
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- Parker Auxiliary of the Year
Jane Self

Head Start:

Field Trips

- Paris Public Library
- Domino's Pizza
- Red River Valley Fair
- Head Start October Carnival
- Head Start Multicultural Fair
- Lamar County Livestock Show
- Commerce Children's Museum
- Week of Young Child Balloon Release
- Big Wheels Expo

Cooking Activities

- Mardi Gras Celebration
- Chinese New Year
- Cinco de Mayo

Grades K-5:

- 2nd Place NL Homecoming Float
- 22 Students Attend Star-Struck Luncheon

- Parker Students Raise \$1,156 for St. Jude
- 300 attend Back to School Bash
- 5th Grade Hot Air Balloon Launch
- Veterans Day Program
- Parker Christmas Program
- 1,000,000 Word Readers Club
- Thanksgiving Lunch with Parents
- Mobile Dairy Classroom
- Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) book distribution during family nights and reading day
- Math & Technology
- Reading Day Veterans Read to the Classes
- Science Night, Star Gazing Presented by the Texas A&M Planetarium
- Parker Harvest Festival
- Jim Lord Character Counts Assembly
- State Farm gave all 3rd graders a dictionary
- Spelling Bee
- Texas Public School Week Activities
- Red Ribbon Week
- Student Council Can Food Drive
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- Title I Programs
 - Reading Recovery
 - Literacy Groups
 - Oral Language
 - Fast ForWord
 - Lightspan

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