



NORTH LAMAR Independent School District

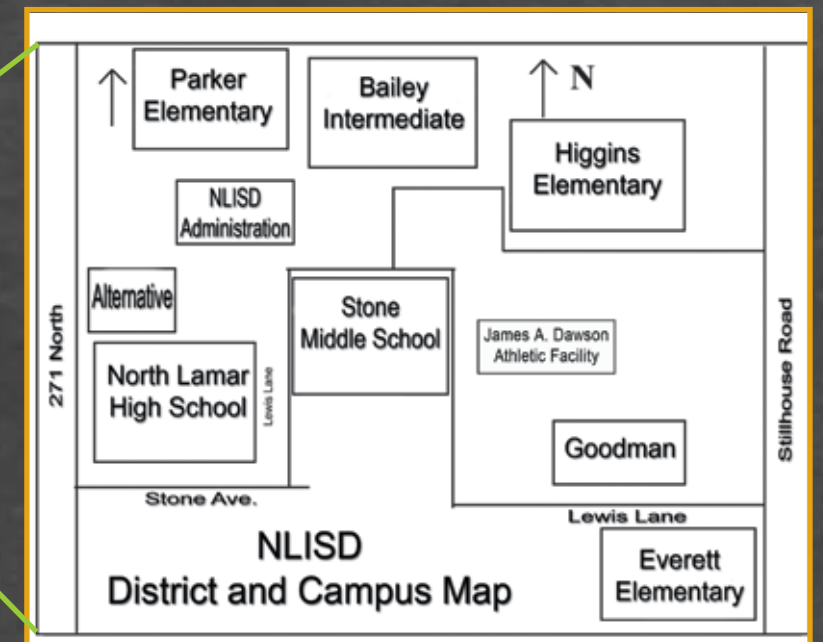
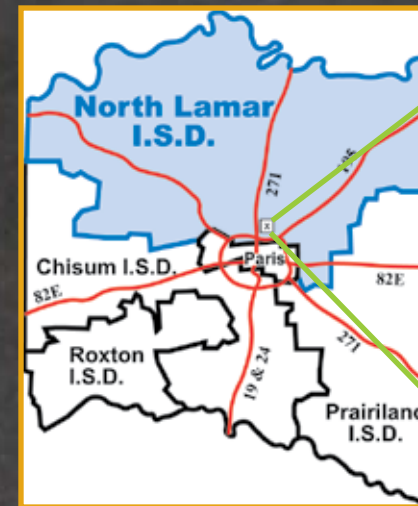
Reaching new heights . . .

Annual Performance Report 2008-2009

2009-2010 NLISD SCHOOL BOARD



The seven members of the North Lamar ISD School Board are a diverse group that come from the 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. The 2009-2010 members are, front row left to right, Dave Osborne, Amy Stephens, and Bill Coleman (Vice-President). Back row, Paul Drake, Bart Chadwick, Brad Perry (Secretary), and Gary Hilliard (President).



North Lamar ISD 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.



James A. Dawson
Superintendent

GRADES SERVED
Head Start
Early Childhood - 12th Grades

ATTENDANCE RATE
2007-2008 96.6%
2006-2007 96.3%

ANNUAL DROPOUT RATE (GR 7-12)
2007-2008 .2%
2006-2007 .3%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION
African American 5.4%
Hispanic 5.1%
White 85.7%
Native American 2.5%
Asian/Pac. Islander 1.3%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER TEACHER
11.7

OPERATING EXPENSE PER PUPIL
\$7,846

TAX INFORMATION
Maintenance & Operations \$1.040
Interest & Sinking Fund \$0.118
Total Rate \$1.158

DISTRICT ENROLLMENT
2,973

NORTH LAMAR ISD

A RECOGNIZED DISTRICT

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.

2008-2009 HIGHLIGHTS & RECOGNITIONS

NLISD Secondary Teacher of the Year
[Stephen Smallwood](#)

NLISD Elementary Teacher of the Year
[Lisa Thompson](#)

NLISD Regular Educator of the Year
[Paul Allen](#)

NLISD Paraprofessional of the Year
[Vickie Hodge](#)

NLISD Support Staff of the Year
[Carla Spann](#)

NLISD Auxiliary of the Year
[Tommy Funderburg](#)

Cooperative partnerships with the community have resulted in top-notch programs for all students at North Lamar.

NLISD community passed a \$4,680,000 bond for additional science and computer labs to the high school. Repairs and improvements to existing facilities were included in the bond.

Texas State Teachers Association recognized NLISD Homebound Instructor [Claire Anderson](#) with the Ermalee Boice Instruction Advocacy Award.

Special Olympics named Special Ed. Curriculum Coordinator [Cindy McDowell](#) to the Texas Board of Directors.

Independent Bankers Association of Texas recognized NLHS Instructor [Yvonne Parsons](#) with the 1st Annual Teaching Excellence in Financial Literacy Award.

Region VIII Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented recognized:

NLHS Instructor [Linda Winfrey](#)
Outstanding Teacher

NLISD Homebound Instructor [Claire Anderson](#)
Outstanding Parent

GT Coordinator [Carolyn Patterson](#)
Advocate of the Year

Everett Principal [Carey Malone](#) served 2nd Term as President of the Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association (TEPSA).

NLISD received a Superior Achievement rating from the 2007-2008 Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas.

NLISD hosted a Parent and Community Active Parenting Program.

NORTH LAMAR EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Established in 1998

Fifty-seven scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 were given to the 2009 graduates
441 scholarships awarded since 2000 totaling \$288,750

A non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization

Scholarships used at community and four-year colleges, universities, vocational, and technical schools

Dual credit scholarships available

Eleven endowed scholarships

Donations accepted throughout the year

Memorials and honorariums are a lasting gift

TECHNOLOGY

To accommodate students, parents, and teachers, the web version of Accelerated Reader and gradebook have been implemented and lunchroom balances can be checked by logging on to the website. Installation of the TIPS program at the high school and middle school have made textbook tracking more efficient.

The district continues 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 is updated regularly and made accessible to all students and faculty.

TITLE I SERVICES

The 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.

SCHOOL-WIDE SERVICES

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. Offered at Parker and Higgins.

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. Offered at Parker and Higgins.

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. Offered at Parker, Higgins, and Everett.

FAST FORWORD is an individualized computer assisted learning program designed to improve sound processing speed and working memory which are vital to reading success. Offered at Parker, Higgins, Everett, and Stone.

LAMAR COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION SSA

Lamar County Special Education SSA offers special education services to four school districts 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).

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT

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

Food baskets are distributed to needy families in the district during the Christmas holidays and gifts are given to the district's "angels" who are adopted.

North Lamar employees give to others through their support of the United Way, the North Lamar Children's Fund, the annual Jingle Bell Walk, and the North Lamar Education Foundation.

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. Offered at Higgins.

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

SUCCESS CENTER is a reading program that is available to students who qualify for assistance with basic reading skills as determined by teacher recommendations, standardized testing results, and classroom performance. Offered at Higgins and Everett.

MATH & READING INTERVENTION PROGRAM is small group instruction for selected students for intervention in reading and math. Offered at Parker, Everett, and Bailey.

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 SERVICES are summer school, tutoring, and parent involvement opportunities. Offered on all elementary campuses and Stone.



**Paul Allen
Principal**

GRADES SERVED
9th - 12th Grades

TAKS PERFORMANCE				
		9th	10th	11th
Reading	2009	98%	NA	NA
	2008	96%	NA	NA
Math	2009	80%	72%	92%
	2008	80%	76%	81%
Eng/Lang Arts	2009	NA	98%	95%
	2008	NA	97%	93%
Science	2009	NA	74%	90%
	2008	NA	77%	82%
Social Studies	2009	NA	94%	98%
	2008	NA	90%	96%

ATTENDANCE RATE
2007-2008 96.7%
2006-2007 96.3%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION	
African American	5.7%
Hispanic	4.6%
White	86.3%
Native American	2.1%
Asian/Pac. Islander	1.4%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER TEACHER
11.5

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$5,832

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
919

SAT SCORES
Class of 2008 - 1001
Class of 2007 - 1032

ACT SCORES
Class of 2008 - 21.4
Class of 2007 - 21.5

NORTH LAMAR HIGH SCHOOL

A RECOGNIZED CAMPUS
GOLD PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
ATTENDANCE (2007-08) &
COLLEGE-READY GRADUATES (2008)

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.

2008-2009 HIGHLIGHTS & RECOGNITIONS

- NLHS Teacher of the Year
Stephen Smallwood
- ~~~~~
- NLHS Regular Educator of the Year
Paul Allen
- ~~~~~
- NLHS Paraprofessional of the Year
Liz Russell
- ~~~~~
- NLHS Support Staff of the Year
Debbie Basden
- ~~~~~
- NLHS Auxiliary of the Year
Wesley Williams
- ~~~~~
- Valedictorian
Ellen Green
- ~~~~~
- Salutatorian
Carolyn Ball

NATIONAL RECOGNITIONS

- 2009 National Merit Commended Scholar
- 4th Place in Future Business of America (FBLA) Accounting
- 6th Place in Skills USA Outdoor Power Equipment
- Two students earned Silver Certification for Stihl Outdoor Power Equipment

STATE RECOGNITIONS

- UIL Academics
6th Place Team
Persuasive Speaking Champion
2nd Place Literacy Criticism
4th Place Poetry

FFA Rodeo Team Champion

- One Act Play
2nd Place Team
2 named to All-Star Cast
1 Honorable Mention
- Beta
State Vice President
1st Place (1)
1st Place Skit
- Boys Golf
Team - 6th Place
10th Place Individual
3A State Preview Champs
2nd Place Medalist 3A State Preview
6th Place Individual 3A State Preview
- Powerlifting
6th Place Individual
- Cross Country
6th Place Class 3A Individual
- Band
All-State 4-A Band
1st & 2nd Chairs
7th 3A Band and Danceline

AREA RECOGNITIONS

- 19 High School Band Qualifiers
- 3 High School Pre-Area Choir
- HOSA
4th Place (1)
5th Place (1)
- One Act Play
Best Actress
All-Star Cast (2)
Honorable Mention All-Star Cast (1)

REGIONAL RECOGNITIONS

- Panther Golf
Regional Champions
- UIL Academics
1st Place (1)
2nd Place (1)
3rd Place (1)
5th Place (3)
6th Place (3)
- One Act Play
Best Actress
1 All-Star Cast
2 Honorable Mention All-Star Cast
1 Outstanding Technical Achievement
1 Honorable Mention Outstanding Technical Achievement
- Panther Band
All-Region (67)
- Panther Choir
All-Region Mixed Choir (3)

ALL-RED RIVER VALLEY RECOGNITIONS

- Baseball
1st Team (4)
2nd Team (6)
- Softball
MVP
Newcomer of the Year
Coach of the Year
1st Team (4)
2nd Team (4)
- Panther Basketball
2nd Team (1)
Honorable Mention (2)
- Pantherette Basketball
1st Team (3)
2nd Team (1)
Honorable Mention (1)
- Football
1st Team (9)
2nd Team (7)
- Volleyball
1st Team (4)
2nd Team (1)
Honorable Mention (2)

DISTRICT RECOGNITIONS

- UIL Academic
Team - District Champions
- Speech and Debate
Team - District Champions
Co-Lincoln Douglas Top Speakers (2)
1st Place (5)
2nd Place (3)
3rd Place (3)
4th Place (1)
6th Place (2)
- CX Debate
Team - District Champions
1st Place (1)
2nd Place (2)
3rd Place (1)
4th Place (1)
- Skills USA Automotive
1st Place (2)
3rd Place (2)
- Panther Golf
District Champions
- Pantherette Golf
District Champions
1st Place (1)
3rd Place (1)
- Baseball
District Runner-up
Defensive Player of the Year
Pitcher of the Year
1st Team (5)
2nd Team (3)
- Softball
District Champions
Co-MVPs
Offensive Player of the Year
Defensive Player of the Year
Newcomer of the Year
Coach of the Year
1st Team (4)
2nd Team (3)
Honorable Mention (2)
- Pantherette Cross Country
Individual District Champion
- Pantherette Track
District Champions
1st Place (3)
- Panther Soccer
Lamar County World Cup Winners
MVP
1st Team (3)
2nd Team (4)
Honorable Mention (3)

- Pantherette Soccer
District Champions
MVP
Co-Midfielder of the Year
Co-Newcomer of the Year
Coach of the Year
1st Team (3)
2nd Team (5)
Honorable Mention (3)
- Panther Basketball
Newcomer of the Year
1st Team (1)
2nd Team (1)
Honorable Mention (2)
- Pantherette Basketball
Bi-District Champions
MVP
Defensive Player of the Year
1st Team (1)
2nd Team (2)
- Football
Defensive Player of the Year
Offensive Player of the Year
1st Team (12)
2nd Team (10)
- Volleyball
Academic All-District (10)
MVP Setter
MVP Hitter
1st Team (2)
2nd Team (2)
Honorable Mention (2)
- LOCAL RECOGNITIONS**
- Plaza Art Gallery Junior & Senior Show:
1st Place (2)
2nd Place (2)
3rd Place (1)
Honorable Mentions (4)
- Three students were recipients of the Rotary Youth Leadership Award
- NL FFA won Sweepstakes Award at the Lamar County Junior Livestock Ag Mechanics Project Show:
Grand Champion
Reserve Champion
1st Place (7)
2nd Place (1)
3rd Place (1)
4th Place (4)
5th Place (1)
- 1st Place Paris Council of Garden Clubs Speech Contest



Stephen Sparks
Principal

GRADES SERVED
6th - 8th Grades

TAKS PERFORMANCE				
		6th	7th	8th
Reading	2009	93%	90%	97%
	2008	94%	92%	97%
Math	2009	84%	89%	92%
	2008	90%	87%	93%
Writing	2009	NA	92%	NA
	2008	NA	92%	NA
Social Studies	2009	NA	NA	97%
	2008	NA	NA	97%
Science	2009	NA	NA	79%
	2008	NA	NA	78%

ATTENDANCE RATE	
2007-2008	96.2%
2006-2007	96.2%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION	
African American	5.9%
Hispanic	4.1%
White	86.7%
Native American	2.4%
Asian/Pac. Islander	1.0%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER TEACHER
12.6

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$5,134

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
712

FRANK STONE MIDDLE SCHOOL

A RECOGNIZED CAMPUS
GOLD PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
COMMENDED ON READING/ELA & SOCIAL STUDIES

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 1, Health, and Spanish 1. 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.

2008-2009 HIGHLIGHTS & RECOGNITIONS

Stone Teacher of the Year
Cherie Murdock

Stone Regular Educator of the Year
John Dickinson

Stone Paraprofessional of the Year
Launa Doyal

Stone Support Staff of the Year
Leslie Watson

Stone Auxiliary of the Year
Eddie Farris

Soil & Water Conservation Essay Winner
Haley Hostetler

Choir

Varsity Choir - Sweepstakes at UIL, 1st Division Treble Choir at American Classic Music Festival in Dallas

Honor Choir - 2nd Division Concert, 1st Division Sight Reading

Boys Choir - 2nd Division Concert, 2nd Division Sight Reading

Combined Chords - 1st Division Mixed Choir at American Classic Music Festival in Dallas

Beginner Choir - 1st Division at Sandy Lake Contest in Dallas

24 students selected for All-Region Choir

Maddi Jolley was selected for the Texas Choral Directors Association Middle School Honor Choir from over 400 sopranos from across the state

Band

59 Honor & Symphonic Band students were selected for All-Region Band with 7 first chairs

Over 90 1st Division Medals at Solo & Ensemble Competition

Honor Band - Sweepstakes at UIL Concert & Sight Reading Contest - 24th Consecutive Award

Symphonic Band - Sweepstakes at UIL Concert & Sight Reading

Honor Band won state honors for their UIL performance in the Association of Texas Small School Bands Outstanding Performance Series

Honor Band performed at the Meyerson Center in Dallas

Symphonic Band performed at the Murchison Center in Dallas

Academics

Colby Hodnett, Mitchell Lacy, and Alexa Bussell placed at the Regional Science Fair

65 students were identified in the Duke University Talent Search

90 students inducted into National Jr. Honor Society

2 students advanced to the Lamar County Spelling Bee

Athletics

Volleyball - 7th & 8th grade girls named District Champions

Basketball - 7th grade girls placed 2nd in district

Track - 7th & 8th grade girls named District Champions

Special Activities

Stone had three family nights

Student Council sponsored a food drive at Christmas time for needy families.

Aim For Success Assembly was presented to the students.



Missy Starnes
Principal

TEA & No Child Left Behind Distinguished School

GRADES SERVED
4th - 5th Grades

TAKS PERFORMANCE				
		4th	5th	
Reading	2009	96%	93%	
	2008	91%	92%	
Math	2009	96%	96%	
	2008	96%	97%	
Writing	2009	90%	NA	
	2008	92%	NA	
Science	2009	NA	90%	
	2008	NA	94%	

ATTENDANCE RATE	
2007-2008	97.0%
2006-2007	96.8%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION	
African American	5.5%
Hispanic	7.7%
White	83.8%
Native American	2.2%
Asian/Pac. Islander	0.8%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER TEACHER
11.9

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$5,124

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
364

GENEVA BAILEY INTERMEDIATE

AN EXEMPLARY CAMPUS
GOLD PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
COMMENDED ON MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE

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.

2008-2009 HIGHLIGHTS & RECOGNITIONS

Bailey Teacher of the Year
Jenny Dority

Bailey Regular Educator of the Year
Sandra Bramhall

Bailey Paraprofessional of the Year
Angelia Kennedy

Bailey Support Staff of the Year
Barbara Towers

Bailey Auxiliary of the Year
Tommy Funderburg

PCT Participants:

Sydney Chadwick, Katie Welch, Abby Lacey, Katie Chaix, Lydia Klinkerman, Kerri Graves, Savannah Moore, Josh French, Olivia Stankus, Klayton Drake

Skip, Jump, and Run Winners:

1st Place - **Reagan Robinson** (4th Grade)
2nd Place - **Breanna Windsor** (5th Grade)
3rd Place - **Lucas McDowell** (4th Grade)

4-H Participants:

Payten Pridemore, Sarah Serrano, Mikyla Pickering, William Wood

Madison Wright Reading Award
Brittany Pilkington

Bailey Dallas Morning News Spelling Bee
Winners: 5th Grade: **Steele Musgrove** (1st Place), **Lindsey Cook** (2nd Place)

Fire Safety Poster Winner

Mikaela Shoemate, Jacob Thiessen, Jordan Emeyabbi

Earth Day Poster Contest

1st Place - **Mrs. Freeman's 5th Grade Class**

UIL Placement Teams

4th Grade Art Team- 3rd Place
Ty Rast (2nd Place),
Nicholas Noble (7th Place)
4th Grade Music Memory Team - 1st Place
Brock Garrison (1st Place)
Emily Hall (2nd Place)
5th Grade Art Team - 2nd Place
Shaina Brown (2nd Place)
Kayla Igleheart (6th Place)
5th Grade Music Memory Team - 1st Place
Olivia Stankus (1st Place)
Abby Lacey (2nd Place)
Tayla Bangs (3rd Place)
Brittany Birch (4th Place)
Erin Pearce (5th Place)

Cookie Dough Top Sellers:
5th grade: **Jessi Wideman**
4th grade: **Mason Spangler**

WordMaster Challenge

Perfect Scores - **Brittney Pilkington & Jacob McClain** (5th Graders)

52 students inducted into the National Elementary Honor Society

Special Activities

- Fifth grade classes performed for area nursing home and retirement centers at Christmas
- Bell Choir performed at the community's Texas Public Schools Week kickoff
- Family Reading, Math/Science, and Technology Nights
- 4th Grade video conference
- 4th & 5th Grade PTO Programs
- Student Council members visited Springlake assisted living during the holidays to play games with the residents

Involved Parents & Community Members

- DARE Program - **Officer Akard**
- Volunteers - **Chuck Burton, Stephanie Sanders, Kim Lacey, Shelley Chaix, Steve Hill, Stacy Hill, Nikki McDonald, Regina Orr**



**Carey Malone
Principal**

TEA & No Child Left Behind
Distinguished School

GRADES SERVED
2nd - 3rd Grades

TAKS PERFORMANCE

		3rd
Reading	2009	98%
	2008	99%
Math	2009	96%
	2008	97%

ATTENDANCE RATE	
2007-2008	97.3%
2006-2007	96.9%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION	
African American	5.0%
Hispanic	5.8%
White	85.1%
Native American	2.5%
Asian/Pac. Islander	1.7%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
PER TEACHER
11.8

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$5,153

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
362

CECIL EVERETT ELEMENTARY

AN EXEMPLARY CAMPUS
GOLD PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:
COMMENDED ON READING/ELA & MATHEMATICS

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.

2008-2009 HIGHLIGHTS & RECOGNITIONS

- Everett Teacher of the Year
Kim Perry
- Everett Regular Educator of the Year
Wendy Suttle
- Everett Paraprofessional of the Year
Nora Sullivan
- Everett Support Staff of the Year
Carla Spann
- Everett Auxiliary of the Year
Cheryl McKnight

- Angel Tree Food & Gift Drive
- Back to School Bash
- Six Weeks Awards Assemblies
- Grandparents Day
- Homecoming Parade Float - 2
- 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
- Kiwanis 2nd Grade Dental Screenings
- Brad Perry's 2nd Grade Banking Program

- 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

Dr. Suess Day for
Read Across America

Guest Readers:
Superintendent **James Dawson**,
Resource Officer **Jeff Akard**,
North Lamar Panther Football Players

- 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 reading/math instruction
- Gifted and talented program
- Dyslexia therapy with a Scottish Rite trained therapists
- ESL instruction/support
- Small group reading support
- Big Brothers Big Sisters mentoring program
- Teaming time for instructors
 - Inclusion Math
 - Study Island
 - Education City



**Claudia Pursifull
Principal**

TEA & No Child Left Behind
Distinguished School

Higgins is paired with
its receiving campus,
Everett Elementary.

GRADES SERVED
Early Childhood - 1st Grades

ATTENDANCE RATE	
2007-2008	96.2%
2006-2007	95.9%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION	
African American	5.1%
Hispanic	5.7%
White	83.0%
Native American	3.1%
Asian/Pac. Islander	3.1%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS
PER TEACHER
11.4

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$5,033

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
352

W. L. HIGGINS ELEMENTARY

AN EXEMPLARY CAMPUS

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.

2008-2009 HIGHLIGHTS & RECOGNITIONS

- Higgins Teacher of the Year
Lisa Thompson
- Higgins Regular Educator of the Year
Edye Ferguson
- Higgins Paraprofessional of the Year
Janice Garner
- Higgins Support Staff of the Year
Julie Toler
- Higgins Auxiliary of the Year
Carol Farmer

- Participated in video conference via the internet
- Classroom visits by local health care professionals
- Outstanding PTO provided support and parent involvement
- Utilized volunteers from RSVP, PTO & Retired Teachers Organization
- Honored school volunteers with recognition and reception
- Participated in Fall Fund-raiser
- Participated in North Lamar Education Foundation activities
- Parade floats for Kindergarten and 1st grade
- 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.
- Hosted a Spooktacular Parade for Halloween
- Children presented programs for their parents in their classrooms
- Six Week Perfect Attendance "Hug A Bear" popcorn parties
- Visited local nursing facility for Christmas and Halloween

- 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

GRADES SERVED
Head Start,
Kindergarten - 5th Grade

TAKS PERFORMANCE

		3rd	4th	5th
Reading	2009	99%	82%	97%
	2008	78%	80%	99%
Math	2009	88%	93%	91%
	2008	75%	75%	90%
Writing	2009	NA	82%	NA
	2008	NA	82%	NA
Science	2009	NA	NA	88%
	2008	NA	NA	99%

ATTENDANCE RATE

2007-2008	95.4%
2006-2007	95.6%

ETHNIC DISTRIBUTION

African American	3.8%
Hispanic	4.9%
White	87.9%
Native American	3.4%
Asian/Pac. Islander	0.0%

NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER TEACHER
10.3

EXPENDITURES PER PUPIL
\$7,838

CAMPUS ENROLLMENT
264

AARON PARKER ELEMENTARY

AN EXEMPLARY CAMPUS
GOLD PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
COMMENDED ON SCIENCE

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.

2008-2009 HIGHLIGHTS & RECOGNITIONS

Parker Teacher of the Year
Kim Johnson

Parker Regular Educator of the Year
Christa Brown

Parker Paraprofessional of the Year
Vickie Hodge

Parker Auxiliary of the Year
David Bridgers

Head Start:

Mardi Gras Celebration
Chinese New Year
Cinco de Mayo
Field Trips

- Paris Public Library
- Domino's Pizza
- Red River Valley Fair
- October Carnival
- Multicultural Fair
- Lamar County Livestock Show
- Commerce Children's Museum
- Big Wheels Expo

Grades K-5:

Active Parenting Classes
Back to School Bash - 250 attendees
1st place NL Homecoming Float
5th grade Hot Air Balloon Launch
Veterans Day Program
Parker Christmas Program

1,000,000 Word Readers Club - 25 students meet their goal and attend Star-Struck Luncheon

Parker students participate in Math-athon for St. Jude

Thanksgiving Lunch with Parents
Red Ribbon Week

RIF Math & Technology

RIF Reading Day - Veterans read to classes

RIF Science night

Jim Lord Character Counts Assembly
State Farm gave all 3rd graders a dictionary

Paris Rotary Club gave dictionaries to students

Paris Rotary Club provided free dental check up for 2nd grade students

Aaron Parker PTO hosted yearly Harvest Festival

Spelling Bee

Texas Public School Week PTO program, "Celebrating Children"

Red Ribbon Week

Student Council can food drive

5th grade attended Sky Ranch Science Camp

Social Studies Students hold Mock Election

GT Students attended King Tut Exhibit in Dallas

Power Team assembly

Kindergarten field trips to Children's Museum in Commerce, TXDOT, & Paris Fire Station

Hosted a Blood Drive for MiKyla Pickering

NLISD ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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