## Denton Independent School District Board of Trustees Certificates of Recognition Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2010

## U.S. Census Bureau presenting Denton ISD with partnership award

The U.S. Census Bureau has presented Denton ISD with a special 2010 U.S. Census award for being a "valued partner" for the 2010 census.

For the past year, the Denton Independent School District has worked closely with U.S. Census officials to help spread the word of the importance of census participation. The staff worked diligently with the census bureau to help communicate with parents, staff, students and community.

The district has participated by:

- Hosting the U.S. Census information centers at various school events
- Sponsoring the annual Adopt-A-School: *Partners in Education* Essay contest "Making 'sense' of the census: 'Why am I important to the census of 2010?'
- Discussing the U.S. Census in various government/social studies classes.
- Helping keep the staff and students informed of the upcoming census count.
- By working with Myron Moham, partnership assistant with the U.S. Census Bureau, and
  other officials to help promote the U.S. Census—who also will speak at the Oct. 13 Board
  of Trustees meeting.
- Collaborating with Denton U.S. Census Chair Rudy Rodriguez, board of trustee, to help promote the importance of the census data throughout the community.

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## Ryan counselor wins state CTAT award

Patsy Chilcote, career counselor at Ryan High School, has been named the winner of the 2010 Career and Technical Education Guidance Award. She is the third Denton Independent School District employee to earn this state award by the Career and Technology Association of Texas.

Chilcot, received the honor while attending the CTAT state conference in Dallas. She will represent Denton ISD and Texas at the Association of Career and Technical Education competition in Las Vegas in December.

A graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, Chilcote earned her master's degree from Georgia State University and is a National Certified Counselor. She also is a certified teacher with 11 years experience and a certified school and vocational career counselor with more than 15 years experience.

Along with her duties at Ryan, Chilcote also works with the counselors at the elementary and middle schools that feed into the high school. She has also been a past presenter at several state and national conferences.