

February Community of Character Student of the Month

Lisa Nguyen, a 4th grade student at Parkview Elementary School, has been named as the Keller ISD Community of Character Student of the Month for February. The character trait for February was Integrity.

State Wrestling Achievements – Fossil Ridge, Central and Keller High Schools

Keller ISD sent nine varsity wrestlers to the UIL State Wrestling Championship in Austin, February 26-27.

Fossil Ridge's varsity wrestling teams qualified five wrestlers after the Region II Championships - Zach Waldrop and Mitchell Seneff from the boys team; and Rachel Ramos, Charley Clarke and Cheyenne Rodriguez from girls team. At the State Championship, Zach Waldrop earned a 4th place finish in the 125-pound weight class. The teams are coached by Tony Lopez.

Central's varsity boys wrestling team qualified three wrestlers - Greg Wilson, Trey Holt and Dylan Tolliver. Greg Wilson, who was also the winner of the Region II Championship and ranked No. 1 in the state in his weight class, won the 171-pound division title at the State Championship. The team is coach by Bill Wilson.

Keller's varsity girls wrestling team qualified one wrestler - Bri Lowe. She was the first female wrestler from Keller High to qualify for the State Championship. The team is coached by Jim Schee.

State Diving Achievement – Keller High School

Keller High School divers Callan Buck and Alex Fincher advanced to the UIL State Swimming and Diving Championships after both taking 1st place at Regionals. The State Championships were also held in Austin, February 26-27. Alex Fincher finished in 2nd place in the boys Class 5A Diving Championships, while Callan Buck came in 3rd place on the girls' side. The diving team is coached by Katie Beth Bryant, who recently earned Regional Diving Coach of the Year honors.

State Academic Decathlon Achievement – Keller High School

In January, the Keller High School Academic Decathlon Team participated in the Region VIII Competition taking 3rd place in the SuperQuiz Relay, placing 2nd for SuperQuiz Team and winning 2nd place team overall. Nine students qualified for the State Competition – Matt Saul, Rachel Gartman, David Cook, George Dolak, Guokun Cao, Michael Loveless, April Gartman, Tucker Godek, and Jackie Harman. The group had a successful showing at the State Meet taking home a number of individual honors. The team is coached by Stacy Short, Cynthia Harris and Jeremy Fee.

Outstanding Campus PR Rep of the Year Winners

Sarah Hibbitts and Leslie Bacak are the Campus PR Reps for Keller-Harvel Elementary School. In addition to their daily responsibilities, these two ladies have gone above and beyond to help promote the many great things going on at their campus. At the beginning of the school year, the Communications Department held a contest to see which Campus PR Rep could send in the most stories. With an impressive 47 submissions, Sarah and Leslie have been named as the first-ever Outstanding Campus PR Reps of the Year.

February Heart at Work Winner

Cindy Davis, Dr. Veitenheimer's Administrative Assistant at the KISD Education Center, has been selected as the Heart at Work winner for February. Cindy was nominated by KISD Legal Counsel Amanda Bigbee. Amanda said that Cindy stopped what she was doing to help her dig through board agendas dating back to 2003 – *“and she did it with a smile!”*