



BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

1A. Awards

Date: June 27, 2005

SUBJECT: STUDENT/STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

BOARD GOAL: Academic Excellence

FISCAL NOTE: None

KHS Softball takes state and national titles: For the second time in three years, the Keller High Lady Indians claimed the state softball title after defeating Garland High on June 4. In addition, the team topped the USA Today poll as the No. 1 team in the country. KHS capped the season with a 33-2 record.

Along with their second title, members of the squad also earned a variety of individual awards on the season. Team members are: Tiffanie Boone, Becca Byers, Brittany Cusumano, Erin Hinojosa, Michele Huffman, Kylie King, Sara LaSala, Maria Lvasseur, Erin McNally, Adria Park, Kati Pickowitz, Kori Pickowitz, Aly Presswood, Alisha Rams, Kirstin Shortridge, Hayley Siebman and Amber Tramp.

Cheerleaders win top honors at camp: The Central High Varsity Cheer Squad was named the top squad at camp and camp champions during the United Cheerleaders Association Camp on May 31-June 3 at the University of Texas at Arlington. In only their second year to compete at the varsity level, the squad placed first in cheer, second in pom dance, earned a Superior squad trophy and won a final spirit stick. Varsity squad members are: Desiree Alvarez, Payton Boatner, Jennifer Coon, Kara Dunham, Ruby Gerena, Lisa Harvey, Tori Johnson, Brittany Lott, Callie McCay, Darci McMackin, Kaitlin Smith, Dana Thorson, Tiffany Tipton, Keli Voorhies and Brittany White. They are coached by Tracy Babbitt.

In addition, Central's JV squad won second in cheer and pom dance as well as a Superior trophy.

From Fossil Ridge, the Varsity squad placed second in extreme routine and earned a Superior trophy at the same camp. The JV and Freshman squads each earned trophies for improvements, and all three squads received numerous Superior ribbons.

Keller High's Varsity squad took third in the pom routine at camp, and all three squads won spirit sticks. The Freshman squad also won first in pom routine and an improvement award trophy.

Fine arts students medal at state UIL Solo/Ensemble contest: Nearly 100 band and choir students from Central, Fossil Ridge and Keller high schools earned Superior and Excellent ratings during the state UIL Solo/Ensemble Contest on May 28 in Austin. One vocalist from CHS earned a Superior rating while seven more choir students and one band student received Excellent scores. Sixteen vocalists and seven band students from FRHS each earned Superior ratings while twenty-three additional choir students and four musicians received Excellent ratings. From KHS, eleven singers and one band member earned Superior ratings and twenty-two more vocalists received Excellent scores. In addition, both KHS Vocal Madrigal choirs earned Excellent ratings.

Destination ImagiNation team takes third at Globals: Congratulations to seven Keller ISD intermediate students and their parent coaches for placing third during the Destination ImagiNation Global Competition in May in Knoxville, Tenn. The “SPAM” team, which stands for Special Perfect And Magical, competed against fifty-four teams from across the nation in the middle division of the “Dizzy Derby” category. Team members are: Forrest Browning, Julia Bush, Brooke George, Jacob McAdams, Paige Waskow and Cody Western, all of Bear Creek Intermediate. Team member James Stubbington is a sixth-grader at South Keller Intermediate. They are coached by Sue Browning and Sara Waskow.

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Respectfully submitted,

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