

HALLSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION Board Report November 2025



Growing All Learners to Achieve Excellence in CTE

CTE Junior High Updates

- Career Fair will be held on Friday, January 16th
- ➤ Each 8th grade student will complete a career interest inventory in SchooLinks (new college/career/ scheduling learning platform being used in JH and HS) prior to the Career Fair. This interest inventory will fulfill a TEA mandate.
- CTE JH teachers participating in these events are: Jennifer Bryant, Emily Cox and Pierce Pipak.

District New Teacher Training

- > HR hosted New Teacher training on October 29th for all new teachers in district
- ➤ Tracy Dewoody and Kathy Gaw got the opportunity to spend time with two new CTE teachers (Jennifer Bryant JH and Kasey Carr High School.
- Topics addressed by Dewoody: Classroom Procedures, Discipline, Usage of Remind and Talking Point
- Topics addressed by Gaw: Mission of CTE, CTE/TEA Website, CTE Industry Based CTE TEKS, Certifications and Teacher Resources

FFA National Convention Update

- Six students and two FFA sponsors attended the National FFA Convention held in Indianapolis on October 28th through November 1st. Students attending: Braden Denfeld, Addisyn Horn, Sarah Huggins, Jack Key, Kyndal, McRae and Payton Rice. Sponsors were: Thomas Beranek and Sadie Myers.
- Funds were provided by FFA Activity accounts, CTE budget travel budgets and FFA Booster Club.
- Special guest attending the convention was Mr. Martin.
- Special thanks to HISD Board, Superintendent John Martin, Principal James Gibson and FFA Boosters for supporting our students and teachers in this endeavor.

Region 7 Education and Training Teacher Academy

- ➢ HISD Education and Training teachers/director Amy Harkins, Jenny Seal and Kathy Gaw presented to Education and Training teachers throughout Region 7 on November 6th.
- Topics addressed were Program Development, TEA-Programs of Study and courses within that POS, Hiring Process, Curriculum Resources, Industry Based Certifications, Dual Credit Courses at Kilgore College and Job Shadowing and Student Organization (TAFE).

• CTE Industry Based Certifications

- ➤ TEA released the 2025-2030 IBC list for public school accountability on October 31st. CTE teachers are reviewing the list to ensure that all certifications currently being offered within a HISD Program of Study are in line with the newly released list. If there is a need to make changes, they will be addressed this year.
- To develop the new list, all IBCs on the 2022-25 list, the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Inventory of Industry-Recognized Credentials List, state and federal licenses, and newly submitted IBCs were reviewed. A total of 2,036 unique credentials were considered against criteria outlined in 19 TAC. The newly released list shows a total of 523 certifications that are good through 2030.

• Christus Good Shepherd – Student Clinical Orientation

- ➤ Health Science Practicum students and instructors (Jennifer Pike and Michaela Skinner) attended clinical orientation activities at Christus Good Shepherd Hospital on Monday, November 10th.
- ➤ Gary Miller, Director of Clinical Education and Development at Christus facilitated the meeting. Students were provided with a tour of clinical facilities and an overview of student responsibilities and expectations.

• HISD Veteran's Day Celebration/Recognition

- > See below for CTE students participating in the event
 - ✓ FFA Members Carrying military flags
 - ✓ Culinary Arts Providing breakfast at East Elementary

Superintendent's Forum sponsored by Longview Economic Development

- Attending and representing HISD at this event were: Mr. Martin, James Gibson and Kathy Gaw
- Purpose of meeting was to design and strengthen collaboration between local employers and local ISD's. Participants will review Programs of Study offered at local school districts and opportunities to plug in mentorships, classroom connections and advisory roles.

HISD CTE Advisory Council

- ➤ A local CTE Advisory Council is an essential element of any successful CTE department. The council is a group of business and industry partners and district employees that provides feedback on the development of Career and Technical Education programs of study offered at the local level that prepare students for high-skill, high-wage careers.
- ➤ Our local committee/council includes members from post-secondary education, workforce that aligns with HISD-CTE Programs of Study, TEA Regional Service Center reps from Region 7 and 8 along with other district personnel.
- The committee assesses specific areas of our CTE program and makes recommendations for program improvement such as: curriculum, facilities, equipment and safety.
- ➤ HISD CTE Advisory Council generally meets in a large group setting once during the fall semester and another meeting in the spring semester.
- Our first Advisory Council meeting for the 25-26 school year will be held on November 19th. This meeting will address the following topics: CTE/TEA updates, CTE Programs of Study, CTE dual credit partnerships as well as a student highlight.

Ag Science/FFA Updates – October Accomplishments (See Attached)



Hallsville FFA Chapter October Success Recap

Titus County Livestock Judging

• Team: 2nd Overall

• Individual: 3rd Overall - Corbin Hunt

State Fair of Texas

Several of our FFA members competed in a variety of events at the State Fair of Texas.

Livestock Judging:

31st Overall Team (18th in Swine) out of 197 teams statewide
 Team Members: Avery Hunt, Corbin Hunt, Kylie Cotton, Bailey Meek

Goats:

- 7th Payton Rice
- 8th Bailey Meek

Lambs:

- 9th Natalie Juarez
- 12th Payton Rice
- 15th Breanna Kiser

Cattle:

Daisy Plaschke:

- o 2nd & 5th in Pan American Open Angus Heifers
- o 2nd & 6th in Junior Angus Heifers

Avery Hunt:

- 4th & 6th in Pan American Open Charolais Heifers
- 2nd in Pan American Charolais Bull Class
- o 2nd & 5th in Junior Charolais Heifers
- o Reserve Senior Division Heifer & Reserve Champion Charolais
- Top 26 Senior Showmanship (out of 13 heats)

Savannah Isgitt:

- 4th in Pan American Open Shorthorn Heifers
- 2nd in Junior Shorthorn Heifers

Kylie Cotton:

- 8th in Pan American Open Simmental Heifers
- 5th in Junior Simmental Heifers

Laney Cotton:

4th in Pan American Open Hereford Heifers

Champion Fitting Team: Corbin Hunt & Avery Hunt

A cattle fitting contest tests teamwork and skill in grooming and preparing cattle for the show ring under timed conditions.

Longview FFA Invitational Leadership Development Events (LDEs)

Results:

- 3rd Overall Ag Issues
- 3rd Overall Greenhand Spanish Creed Speaking (Humberto Leal)
- 3rd Overall Radio Broadcasting- Avery Hunt, Kylie Cotton, Corbin Hunt
- 4th Overall Ag Advocacy
- 6th Overall Radio Broadcasting (Team #2)- Daisy Plashcke, Avery Hunt, Kylie Cotton
- Greenhand Creed Speaking:
 - 4th in Heat, 6th Overall Addie Wolfe
 - 6th in Heat, 7th Overall Sebastian Pina
- 9th Overall Greenhand Spanish Creed Speaking (Ariana Cazares)
- Additional participants in Greenhand & Senior Quiz, Job Interview and Senior Creed Speaking

Liberty Hill FFA Online Contest

- Senior Creed Speaking: Addisyn Horn 1st Overall (Winner)
- Radio Broadcasting: 2nd Overall (of 30 teams)
- Greenhand Quiz Team: 5th Overall
 - Savannah Isgitt 6th Individual
 - Evelyn Huggins 7th Individual
- Senior Quiz Team: 8th Overall

Online LDE Extravaganza Kayla Turner:

- Addisyn Horn 10th Overall Senior Creed Speaking
- Radio Broadcasting Team 1st Overall Winner

Harvest Festival Results

Public Speaking:

- Addisyn Horn Reserve Champion Senior- Also Representing Harrison Co 4H
- Charleigh Lock Reserve Champion Junior

Rabbits:

- Payton Rice 3rd Overall
- Sarah Huggins 13th Overall
- Parker Rice 14th Overall

Lambs:

- Payton Rice Grand Champion Lamb, Reserve Champion Senior Showmanship
- Stetson Meek 1st in Class
- Preston Rice 1st in Class

Swine:

- Taylor Horn- Grand Champion Hog & Senior Showman- Also Representing
 Harrison Co 4H
- Addisyn Horn- Reserve Grand Champion Hog & Senior Showman- Also
 Representing Harrison Co 4H
- Ali Eitelman- 1st in Class, 3rd in sale

Goats:

- Sarah Huggins Grand Champion Goat
- Evelyn Huggins 1st in Class
- Breanna Kiser 3rd in Class
- Kayla Beatty 3rd in Class
- Bailey Meek 4th in Class

Ag Mechanics:

- Landan Rachal Grand Champion Non-Sale, Grand Champion Showman, Trailer
 Division Winner
- Clay Elitemann 3rd Overall, Household Division
- Sarah Huggins 4th Overall, Household Division
- Thomas Shane Morris 3rd, Ag Mechanics Division
- Carter Wright Blue Ribbon, Wildlife
- Lilliana Saldivar Blue Ribbon, Household
- Cherie St. John Blue Ribbon, Household
- Corbin Hunt Blue Ribbon, Household

Hallsville FFA: Reserve Champion Sweepstakes Chapter Ag Mechanics

Home Economics:

- Kyndal McRae- Class Champion, Handcraft- Also Representing Harrison Co 4H
- Zoey Arnold- Blue Ribbon, Food Creation
- Shane Killeen- Blue Ribbon, Handcraft

Steers:

- Avery Hunt –Reserve Champion Market Steer, Grand Champion
 Showmanship
- Easton Ellsworth 2nd in Class 4
- Copeland Franke 2nd in Class 5

Heifers:

- Savannah Isgitt- Grand Champion and Reserve Champion Shorthorn
- Kyndal McRae
- Shane Killeen
- Kylie Cotton- 1st in class
- Lainey Cotton- 1st in class, Reserve Champion Angus

Prospect Steers:

- Easton Ellsworth 4th in Class
- Copeland Franke 1st in Class

White Oak FFA LDE Contest

- 3rd Addisyn Horn, Senior Creed Speaking
- 3rd Radio Broadcasting- Corbin Hunt, Avery Hunt, Kylie Cotton
- 3rd Addie Wolfe, Greenhand Creed Speaking
- 7th Humberto Leal, Greenhand Spanish Creed Speaking