



BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**1B. Report**

**February 28, 2005**

**SUBJECT: STUDENT AND STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS**

**BOARD GOAL: Academic Excellence**

**FISCAL NOTE: None**

**KISD students win area bee; advance to regional contest:** Trey Sampson, an 8<sup>th</sup>-grader at Keller Middle, won first-place in the Area Spelling Bee on Feb. 4 at Northwest High School. Another Keller ISD speller, sixth-grader Evan Snow of Bear Creek Intermediate, was named runner-up of the area event. Both boys will compete in the Regional Spelling Bee on March 7 at the Will Rogers Complex in Fort Worth. The winner of that competition will advance to the National Spelling Bee in June in Washington, D.C. Congratulations and best of luck to Trey and Evan!

Listed below are the first-place winners and runners-up from the campus contests:

<u>Campus</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Runner-Up</u>
Bette Perot Elementary	Shelby Mauger, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jenna Poettgen, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Bluebonnet Elementary	Miles Noland, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Arsalan Ahmad, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Florence Elementary	Spencer Taylor, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Chandler Funderburg, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Freedom Elementary	Caleb Newsome, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Kacie Hammonds, 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Heritage Elementary	Aysha Spencer, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Hannah Johnson, 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Hidden Lakes Elementary	Cole Younginer, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Britton Smith, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Keller-Harvel Elementary	Jack Hanson, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Jimmy Doane, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Lone Star Elementary	Daniel Kniffin, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Leanne Pagan, 3 <sup>rd</sup>
North Riverside Elementary	Danielle Sosa, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Annie Phillips, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Park Glen Elementary	Emile Accaoui, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Patrick Nguyen, 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Parkview Elementary	Andy Fisher, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Hannah Clark, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Shady Grove Elementary	Jillian Schultz, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Brooke Nelson, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Whitley Road Elementary	Vivian Glazier, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Christian Rusk, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Willis Lane Elementary	Alexa Gonzaga, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Sarena Saad, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Woodland Springs Elementary	Allison Thomas, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Jonathan Hawkins, 4 <sup>th</sup>
Bear Creek Intermediate	Evan Snow, 6 <sup>th</sup>	Taylor Smariga, 6 <sup>th</sup>
Chisholm Trail Intermediate	Shane Plumbly, 5 <sup>th</sup>	Efrain Esparza, 6 <sup>th</sup>
Parkwood Hill Intermediate	Elizabeth Sok, 5 <sup>th</sup>	Sanghwa Park, 5 <sup>th</sup>
South Keller Intermediate	Lauren Summers, 6 <sup>th</sup>	Christina Mildenstein, 6 <sup>th</sup>
Fossil Hill Middle	Tori Kirkman, 7 <sup>th</sup>	Zach Morgan, 8 <sup>th</sup>
Hillwood Middle	Jessica Whistman, 8 <sup>th</sup>	Bruno Li, 8 <sup>th</sup>
Indian Springs Middle	Tim Phillips, 8 <sup>th</sup>	Jessica Boepple, 7 <sup>th</sup>
Keller Middle	Trey Sampson, 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Ziomek, 8 <sup>th</sup>

**KHS students earn top results on nationwide German exam:** Three Keller High students – Greg Golden, Kevin Golden and Kerry Childs – have been ranked above the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile on the American Association of Teachers of German National Examination Level 3. Greg Golden achieved a spot in the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile, which enters him in a drawing for an all-expenses paid trip to Germany. These students took the exam in January.

**Keller ISD students walk their way to victory:** Second-graders at Park Glen Elementary have won the United Way-Northeast’s “Get Up and Go!” project for Keller ISD. Their award is based on the amount of second-grade participation in the program, which encourages physical activity and “bonding time” for local schoolchildren and the important adults in their lives. Congratulations to Park Glen, and to all the students throughout the district who participated in this initiative.

**KISD receives prestigious communications award:** The Keller ISD Communications Department was awarded a Crystal Commendation for its overall efforts on the dedication ceremonies of Bette Perot Elementary. The award was announced Feb. 15 at the Texas School Public Relations Association (TSPRA) Star Awards Banquet during the organization’s annual conference in Austin. In addition, the department won six gold star awards, four silver star awards and one best of category. Each year, TSPRA recognizes school communicators for outstanding work in both print and electronic media. This year more than 800 entries from throughout the state were received.

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Respectfully submitted,

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