

**Denton Independent School District**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**Certificates of Recognition**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2010**

**District receives rebate check for energy efficiency**

Craig Chambers, area manager with CoServ Electric, is presenting Denton ISD with a rebate check for \$11,430.

By changing out high energy T12 lights to energy efficient T8's, de-lamping from 4 bulbs to two bulbs and adding occupancy sensors, the district was able to save 38.1KW from this energy conservation project. The district's operations staff, under supervision of Operations Director Paul Andress, worked with Mr. Chambers and his staff in this lighting retrofit project. This is the second rebate check the district is receiving. Earlier this year the district received a rebate check for \$55,726 from Denton Municipal Electric.

**Ryan Elementary**

**Nancy Walkup named Outstanding Elementary Division Art Educator**

Nancy Walkup, art specialist at Ryan Elementary, was named the 2010 Outstanding Elementary School Division Art Educator by the Texas Art Education Association. The awards presentation honoring Mrs. Walker will take place Nov. 12 at the Austin Convention Center.

Mrs. Walkup is a recipient of many honors in the district. In 2008, she was chosen as one of 200 teachers to go to Japan for three weeks to participate in the Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program.

Mrs. Walkup, who has been the art teacher at Ryan Elementary since it opened in 2001, was named Ryan's Teacher of the Year for 2007. She also received state and national recognition when she was named editor of SchoolArts Magazine in 2005. She is also the co-author of a book, titled: "*Bridging the Curriculum through Art.*"

From 1991 to 2001, she was the project coordinator for the North Texas Institute for Educators on the Visual Arts at the University of North Texas. In 2001, she was named the Texas Art Educator of the Year and in 1991 she was named the Louisiana Art Educator of the Year.

**DENTON ISD**

**Melanie Lewis receiving Counselor Supervisor of the Year Award**

Melanie Lewis, director of guidance services for Denton ISD, will be awarded the 2010 Counselor Supervisor of the Year Award by Texas School Counseling Association in November.

Since joining the district in 2005, Mrs. Lewis has demonstrated the importance of utilizing highly qualified counselors on campuses to implement an extensive guidance program.

Mrs. Lewis has 20 years of counseling experience, including five years of overseas services. She is a licensed professional counselor, having received her master's in guidance counseling from the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, OK and her bachelor's of history in Asian studies from the University of Oklahoma in Norman.

Mrs. Lewis will be honored by the TSCA during the annual luncheon and business meeting on Nov. 11 at the TCA Professional Growth Conference in Austin, Texas.