

Cedar Hill Independent School District
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Date: January 10, 2011

Presented by: Mr. Horace Williams, Superintendent of Schools

Subject: Star Student/Teacher of the Year/Pledge Leaders

Information Item

BOARD GOAL:

Expect, promote and support a safe and orderly learning environment.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Star Student: Brooke Franklin, Waterford Oaks Elementary

Teacher-of-the-Year: Sandra Hogg, Waterford Oaks Elementary

Pledge Leaders: Audrey Johnson, Jesse Gonzales, Waterford Oaks Elementary

CONTACT PERSON(S):

Dr. Homer Carter, Chief Academic Officer

Chanda McGhee, Director of Student Support and Community Services

FUNDING SOURCE:

N/A

ENCLOSURE:

See attachments.

Star Student - Waterford Oaks Elementary

Brooke Franklin, 4th Grade

“In one phrase, Brooke Franklin is a “Burst of Sunshine.” She not only shines through here academic success, but she also shines because she is a living example of a model citizen!”

- Ms. Manning, 4th grade Teacher

Brooke is a 4th grader at Waterford Oaks Elementary. This is her first year on our campus! Brooke lives in Cedar Hill with her parents, Orlando and Stacey, 2 sisters, 1 brother, and a puppy named Buttons. In the future, Brooke would like to go to the same college as her mother and learn to become a horse trainer or Animal Shelter Director. Brooke says she loves coming to school to be with her friends and teachers, but also enjoys Specials and all the books she can read. After school, Brooke is involved in Girl Scouts, the American Girl Reading Club, and has plenty of homework from Mom to keep her busy!

When Brooke is not doing homework or studying at home, she likes to draw, sew plushy dolls for her family, mold clay, and of course, ride horses. She also LOVES to read! Teachers and friends would say Brooke is funny, tough, and a little Tom Boy-ish! When asked why getting an education is so important, Brooke said, *“A good education is important because you get to be exposed to new and interesting things, and it is also important to socialize with your friends and teachers. It plays a big part in life!”*

Teacher-of-the-Year 2010 -2011 – Waterford Oaks Elementary

Sandra Hogg, Literacy Specialist

Sandra Hogg is the Literacy Specialist at Waterford Oaks Elementary and has been employed with Cedar Hill for 6 wonderful years. She has taught children for 11 years and loves working with students from all walks of life. She is married to her high school sweet heart, Jimmy, who is also an employee for Cedar Hill ISD. They have been married for 23 years and have 3 energetic children, Jimmy II, Jarayd, and Jarryka.

Sandra received her Bachelor’s Degree in Business Administration from the University of North Texas and her Masters in Reading from Texas A & M University and is currently pursuing her Doctorate Degree in Educational Psychology from Texas A & M. When Sandra is not teaching or studying, she enjoys reading and looking at old 70’s television shows. “They just don’t make shows like I grew up watching anymore like Andy Griffin or I Love Lucy; that’s a time when life was simple and fun,” she stated.

Sandra began teaching when her youngest child was 3 thinking she would have more time to spend with her family. Needless to say that was not true but the rewards and joy from adopting 1000’s of other children over the years and seeing their success has been the fulfillment of her life. Sandra strongly believes that every student can be successful and achieve anything if they know you believe in them and you expect nothing less than their best.