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Kolton Zane Sollohub

Student of the Month -

Elm Creek Elementary •

Kolton Sollohub truly exemplifies what it means to be a leader both inside and outside the classroom. He leads not only by encouraging others, but by setting a positive example through his actions every day. Kolton is consistently respectful and caring toward his peers, always looking out for others and encouraging them to make good choices. Academically, Kolton shines in every subject. He is attentive, hardworking, and eager to learn, often connecting new concepts to what he already knows. As an independent learner, he takes initiative and approaches every challenge with focus and determination. Kolton's positive attitude, strong work ethic, and genuine kindness make him a standout student and a role model for all. We are proud to recognize Kolton Sollohub as our Explorer of the Month!

Kennedy Bozeman

Student of the Month -

McNair Middle School

Kennedy Bozeman is an exceptional 8th-grade student-athlete who currently plays on the volleyball team, which recently secured a spot in the conference tournament. She is a dedicated student leader, serves on Student Council, has perfect attendance, excels as an honors student, is on track to become a SWISD Warrior, and is an active member of the SALT team.

"Kennedy exemplifies what it means to be a Challenger, hard-working, dependable, and a leader both on and off the court. Her leadership, academic excellence, and commitment to our campus culture make us incredibly proud," said Coach Garcia and Principal Cruz.

Sherline Martinez

Student of the Month -

Southwest High School

Sherline is a true leader for the SWHS band, serving as the drumline captain for the marching band. Along with these responsibilities, Sherline plays with the Youth Orchestra of San Antonio and the SWHS Jazz and Concert Bands. Mrs. Ball, her band director, says Sherline is always hardworking and motivates her peers. Along with being an outstanding member of the band, Sherline balances dual credit courses and maintains high grades. After high school, Sherline plans to study music at the University of North Texas. Sherline exemplifies what it means to be a Dragon and we are so proud of her accomplishments!



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Multiple Students

Rising Stars •

Killian Welsh - Kriewald Rd. School of the Arts

Jenaveve Gaitan - Scobee Middle School

Joe Flores - CAST STEM High School

Our SWISD Rising Stars have shown incredible growth, making positive changes and improving attendance. We are confident that their hard work will continue to have a positive impact on their entire school experience at Southwest ISD.

Multiple Students

Fine Arts 🕝

Jorge Gonzales Lariz - McNair Middle School
Alison Molina-Vasquez - McNair Middle School
Khloe Martinez - McAuliffe Middle School
Vivianna Elizondo-Galvan - SW Legacy High School
Kamryn Canellis - Southwest High School
Aubrey Castaneda - Southwest High School

These students' artwork was selected to be part of the Texas Art Education Association's 2025 txEDCON (TASA / TASB) Exhibition:

The exhibition showcased Pre-K through 12th-grade works of art from across the state of Texas. Multiple districts were represented at the Texas Association of School Administrators & Texas Association of School Boards Convention. The exhibition was displayed in the exhibit hall at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston from September 11-14, 2025.

TAEA is proud to provide avenues for children in the state of Texas to exhibit and to promote the importance of student art within the community.

Congratulations on this honor, and thank you for allowing TAEA to exhibit your artwork.



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Texas Teache	er of the Year Finalist

Resnik Middle School

Southwest ISD proudly celebrates Carlos Perez, an exceptional educator whose dedication and impact have earned him recognition at the local, regional, and state levels. Mr. Perez, was named the 2024–2025 Southwest ISD District Secondary Teacher of the Year for his commitment to student success and innovative teaching practices that inspire learning across all backgrounds.

His excellence in education continued to shine as he was selected as the ESC-20 Secondary Teacher of the Year, representing our district among the finest educators in the region. Mr. Perez's passion for bilingual education and his ability to connect with students and families have also earned him the title of Teacher of the Year for the San Antonio Area Association for Bilingual Education (SAAABE).

Culminating an extraordinary year of accomplishments, Mr. Perez has been named a Texas Teacher of the Year Finalist, a distinguished honor that recognizes his lasting contributions to education, leadership in the classroom, and dedication to empowering future generations.

The Texas Teacher of the Year Award Ceremony will take place this Friday, where Mr. Perez will be honored among the state's most inspiring educators. Southwest ISD extends our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Perez—good luck, and thank you for representing our district with excellence and pride!



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Multiple Awards	Employee -
	MASBA Award Winners

SW Cares Center - Outstanding Mental Health Initiative Award Dr. Jeanette Ball - Outstanding Superintendent Award

Southwest ISD is proud to announce that our district has been recognized by the Mexican American School Boards Association (MASBA) with two prestigious awards, honoring our ongoing commitment to excellence in education and student well-being.

The district received the Outstanding Mental Health Initiative Award for our SW Cares Center, which continues to serve as a vital resource in supporting the emotional and mental well-being of students, staff, and families. This recognition highlights our district's proactive approach to creating a compassionate, supportive environment where every student can thrive.

In addition, Superintendent Dr. Jeanette Ball was honored with the Outstanding Superintendent Award, celebrating her leadership, dedication to student success, and commitment to equity and community engagement. Dr. Ball's leadership has guided Southwest ISD in building strong partnerships, innovative programs, and a culture of care that reflects our district's mission and values.

Southwest ISD is deeply honored by MASBA's recognition and congratulates Dr. Ball and the SW Cares Center team for their remarkable work in making a lasting difference in the lives of our students and community.