

Character Education

Abigail Ortiz is a 10th grader at Colorado River Collegiate Academy. She spoke about self-discipline and its importance in helping a person be successful. She said self-discipline involves balancing one's responsibilities and removing distractions. Her own self-discipline is what prevents her from staying in her room eating chocolate, although she acknowledged that a good chocolate bar is a necessity every now and then!

Special Recognition



This month's Spotlight speaker was **Reba King, Principal of Mina Elementary**. She shared some of the many exciting achievements of our elementary schools, including record participation and achievement in science fair and UIL. The board also recognized numerous other student groups that represent the diverse facets of our great district! Congratulate these students and staff members for their achievements:



- BHS boys varsity soccer team for advancing to the second round of playoffs and for having 11 team members make Academic All District (Coach Roque Palomino)
- CCHS powerlifter and state qualifier Jacob Turner (Coach Lee Hartsell)
- BHS Cadet Commander Rena Richard for receiving the NJROTC Joseph C. Gilliam award of distinction (Captain Chris Fletcher and Chief David Canales)
- BMS and CCMS varsity bands for outstanding UIL Region results - superior ratings! (Director Sondra Senn-BMS and Director Ernesto Bueno-CCMS)
- Bastrop Livestock Show Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion winners (Les Hudson)
- BHS students Isaac Colter, Johnathan Brown, and Mitchell Beck who qualified for state competition and earned scholarships through SkillsUSA in diesel, mobile electronics and/or automotive maintenance (Advisor/Teacher Jimmy Cunningham)
- Academic UIL award winners from both middle schools and all three high schools; BMS 7th grade team earned 2nd overall and their 8th grade team earned 3rd overall; BHS robotics advanced to state and world competition; CCHS had its first UIL state qualifier Phoebe Hayes

BMS band director Sondra Senn received a standing ovation for her 30-year career in education, 22 of which have been in Bastrop ISD. She retires at the end of this school year! Photos of our students and staff who were recognized at the board meeting are on the next page and are available on our district [Facebook page](#). Follow us!

District Staff Presentations

Chief Financial Officer **Sandra Callahan** presented a new [budget update](#) including Senate Bill 3 & 4 and House Bill 3 related to school finance issues.

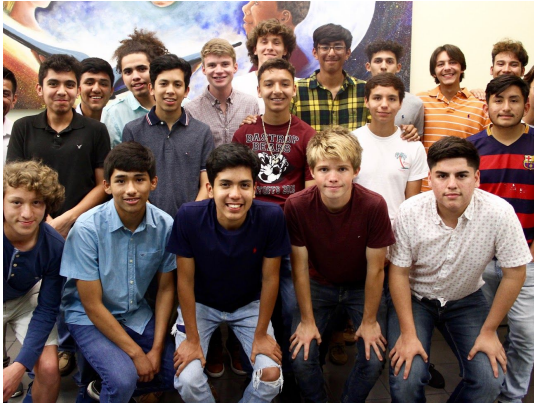
Board Action

In addition to approving the consent agenda, the board approved the renewal of contracts with SFE (child nutrition) and GoldStar Transit (transportation). The board also approved a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with YWCA of Austin as an additional resource for individual and group counseling services for students, a proclamation for the adoption of K-8 ELAR instructional materials, as well as teacher contracts as presented by the superintendent.

Enrollment Update (Total 11,062 as of Apr. 5, 2019)

BE - 779	LPE - 675	BIS - 846	BMS - 829	BHS - 1422	CRCA - 204
CCE - 781	ME - 670	CCIS - 912	CCMS - 914	CCHS - 1534	GHS - 111
EE - 737	RRE - 646				

Enjoy these pictures from the April 2019 board recognition!





Has someone told you you're doing a great job today? Feel encouraged because you are making a difference in BISD!

Thank You!

Important Upcoming Dates related to the May 2019 Election

April 18 6:00 pm - School board candidate forum at City of Bastrop hosted by Bastrop Chamber of Commerce

April 22-26 8:00 am to 5:00 pm / April 29-30 7:00 am to 7:00 pm - Early voting period

(Locations include Service Center, BHS, CCHS, CCMS, RRE, and LPE)

May 4 - Election day

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