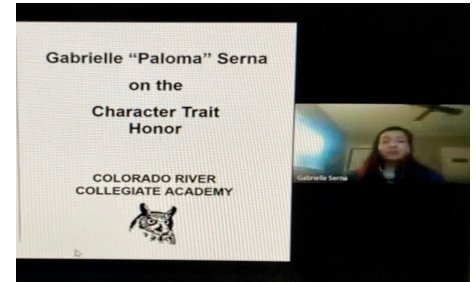


Character Trait of the Month

Gabrielle "Paloma" Serna, a senior at the Colorado River Collegiate Academy, spoke to the Board about honor. Paloma is president of the Student Council and a member of the National Honor Society. She also enjoys volunteering in the community, which she said is a key component of honor. "Honor reflects your character and who you are. Honor is important to a person's character because without it, people would lose faith in themselves and others."



Special Recognition



Becki Womble
President/CEO



Derek Brown
Committee Chair

We Believe in BISD

Guest Readers

Career Day Speakers

Science Fair Judges

Crosstown Showdown

Lemonade Day

Dr. Kristi Lee, Executive Director of Communications and Community Relations, announced the Bastrop Chamber of Commerce as the district's Community Partner of the Year. Dr. Lee highlighted the 'We Believe in BISD' initiative and other Chamber involvement in our schools including guest readers, career day speakers and more. Bastrop Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Becki Womble and Derek Brown, Chair of the Education Committee, appeared via video conference to accept the honor. Brown said, "I am so grateful to be a part of this and be able to do what we do. We want to continue to support our school district and continue to support our businesses and have both our businesses and the school system work together."

Staff Presentations

A [Public Hearing on Proposed Application for an Optional Flexible School Day Program for 2020-2021](#) was presented by Dr. Laila Olivarez. The goal of the program is to improve graduation rates. Each year, the district is required to submit an application to the Texas Education Agency for Genesis High School. This year Genesis had 144 graduates, which is a record for the school. Dr. Olivarez also presented information about [COVID-19 Waivers and Accommodations](#), which include a waiver to continue using the TPRI kindergarten assessment and not transition to the new assessment until the 2021-22 school year. In addition, the District filed for a waiver to the deadline to notify parents of 4th and 7th grade students who are at risk of failure.

Board Action

In addition to the consent agenda, the Board approved the application to TEA for the Optional Flexible School Day Program, the COVID-19 waivers and accommodations, and a contract for the purchase of portable classrooms.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Retirement Reception - July 28, 4:00-6:00

District Wide Registration Day - August 7

Stuff the Bus - August 8

First Day of School - August 18