

# Working Together



# Working Together to Achieve Academic Excellence

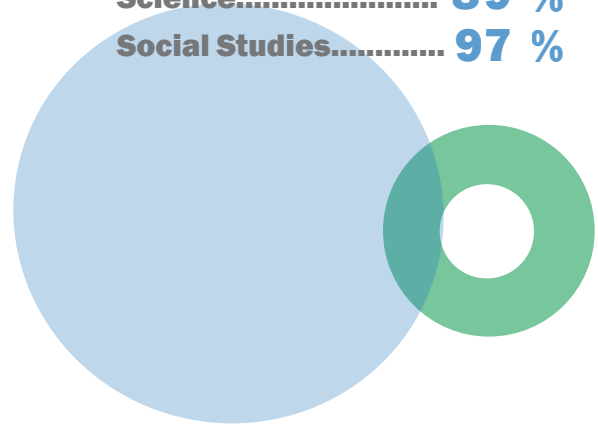
## Innovative Programs Support Student Success

- Response to Intervention (RTI) for elementary students who need additional instruction in small groups or specialized programs
- Accelerated instruction for intermediate school students who need support in reading and mathematics
- Therapeutic Education Program (TEP) for students who live in state residential facilities and other students with significant behavior/emotional disabilities
- New arrival centers for an immersion in the English language
- Vistas High School Program and 2nd Chance for students who need unique environments for learning
- Special programs created with state and federal funds for campuses where students have the greatest educational needs

## % of KISD Students

### Passing **TAKS** 2010

Reading.....	93 %
Mathematics.....	88 %
Writing.....	96 %
Science.....	89 %
Social Studies.....	97 %



## District Support for Academics

- A complex, rigorous curriculum for all students
- Advanced academic courses
  - 921 students in Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) classes
  - 10,078 students enrolled in Pre-Advanced Placement (AP) courses
  - 2,770 students taking 4,712 AP courses; 22 AP courses offered
  - 900 students enrolled in 1,102 dual credit courses
  - 182 students in Pre-International Baccalaureate program; 83 in International Baccalaureate
- Staff development to disseminate best practices
- Instructional technology in core classrooms for teachers and students

# Working Together a Message from the Superintendent

Dear Neighbors,

Community members, students, parents, and school personnel worked together in 2009-2010 to provide the best possible education for Klein students. This united effort made a difference for our children.

The biggest news for the 2009-2010 school year is Klein ISD earned both a **Recognized** rating from the state and an Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) designation from the federal government. While we all know that success in a school district is more than these two ratings, they are important because of what they reflect. The Recognized rating shows that our students are learning the state curriculum tested by the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS). The AYP achievement means that our students made progress that meets federal expectations. These designations confirm that every day Klein teachers focus on student academic progress; our students are committed to **academic achievement**; families and community members expect success; and our department of curriculum and student services prepares teachers for successful teaching.

No Place for Hate Clubs support our emphasis on **character building**. Among our schools, 32 have active clubs. Because of its efforts to build unity, the Anti-Defamation League awarded the Unite for Understanding Council, an advocacy council for tolerance and enrichment through cultural diversity, the "Extra Mile Recognition." Earlier, the district was presented the "Community of Respect Award," the only school district in the county to be so honored.

The implementation of the 2008 bond plan allowed the district to open Mueller Elementary School for students in the northern section of the district where our growth continues.

Klein's 11,623 volunteers continue to impact our students by giving 93,041 hours of service. I invite you to become a part of the KISD through volunteering.  
**Our students need you.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



James W. Cain  
Superintendent



**Dr. Cain and a high school student nurture plants growing in a district greenhouse.**

# Working Together as a Community

## Barbara Bush Helps Launch KISD Reading Express

Former First Lady Mrs. Barbara Bush visited McDougale Elementary School in October 2009 to participate in the ribbon cutting for the district's Reading Express Mobile Library, a refitted school bus. Well-known for her support of literacy, she helped launch the program which will take the joy of books to children who might not otherwise have access to summer reading programs.

Mrs. Bush spoke of the value of the bookmobile when she said, "Teaching children to read is one of the best things you can do for our country."

The Reading Express began with a dream that was eventually funded by donations to the Klein Education Foundation.

Community support has allowed the education foundation to give over \$1 million to the school district during its ten-year history.



## Community Voices Opinions

The Klein ISD administered its fifth annual districtwide quality survey to measure satisfaction with its services. There were 11,712 participants in the survey consisting of parents, employees, and students in grades 5, 8, and 12, who indicated support in categories such as the following: quality student support, coordinated teamwork, and safety and well-being. The information obtained will allow the district to make data-driven decisions, and allow stakeholder satisfaction to help move the district forward.

## Community Stakeholders

Parents (307 responses)	2.6%
Instructional Staff (2,442 responses)	20.9%
Non-Instructional Staff (820 responses)	7.0%
5th Grade Students (3,083 responses)	26.3%
8th Grade Students (2,873 responses)	24.2%
12th Grade Students (2,223 responses)	19.0%
	<u>100%</u>

# Working Together to Build a Better District

## Board Revises Bond Plan

After voters approved a \$646.9 million bond package in 2008, an economic recession caused enrollment growth and tax revenue to fall below projections. As a result, in January 2009, the school board delayed six bond projects by one year.

Through the reconvening of the Bond Steering Committee and other public meetings, the district gained valuable information. In January 2010, the Board of Trustees approved a revised bond plan presented by Dr. Jim Cain.

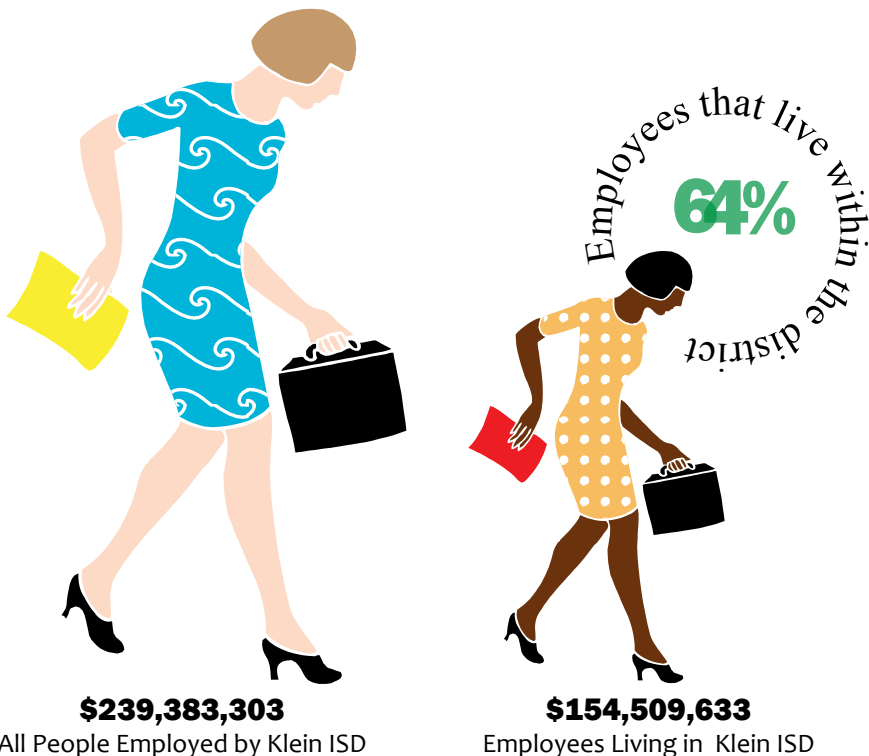
The revision of greatest interest to the public related to High School #5 and the rebuilding of Klein High School. As a result of a vote by the school board, Klein High School will be rebuilt on site with a projected completion date of 2014. The current expected date for construction of High School #5 is likely to be in 2019. Additionally, the board approved the construction of two elementary schools and the delay of construction of an early childhood/pre-kindergarten center. Changes in district demographic and/or financial data could potentially impact these timelines.



**Klein High School Demolition**

# Working Together by the Numbers

## An Economic Stimulator-Salaries



**Did you know that Klein ISD stimulates our community's economy?**

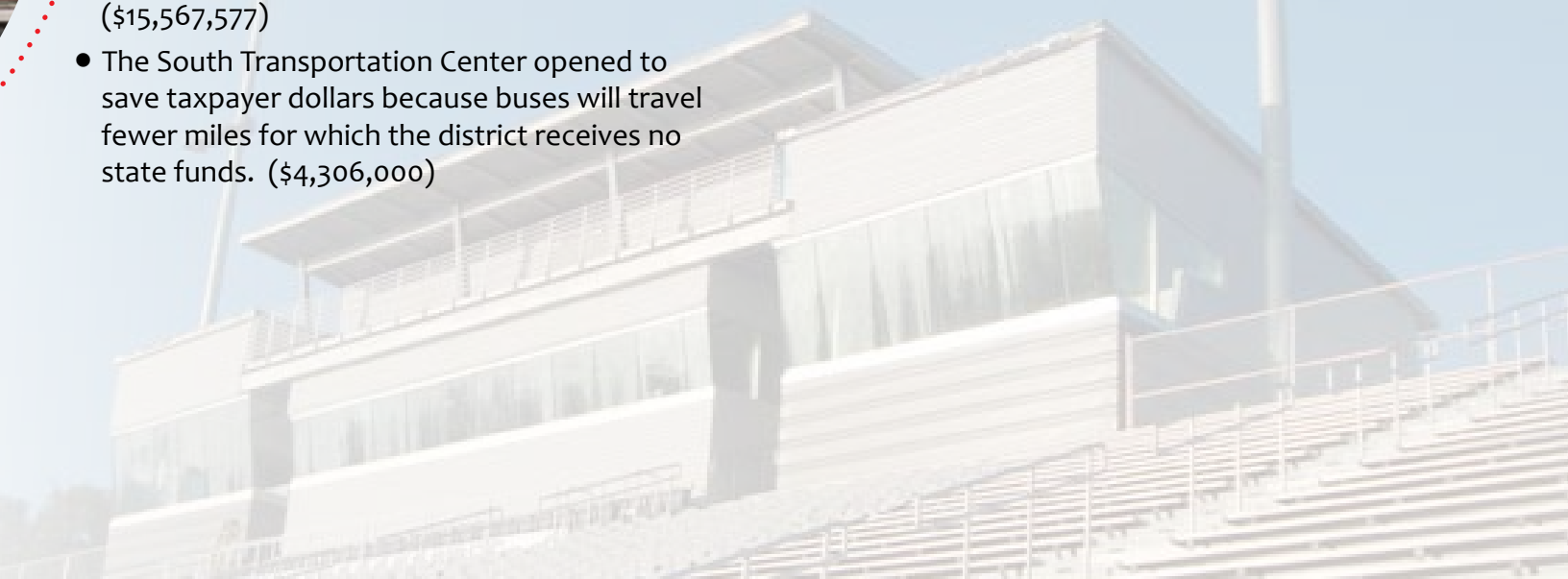
The district spends \$239 million on employee salaries. Nearly two-thirds of those employees live within the school district, representing \$154 million that stays right here in our backyard.

## Addressing District Growth

- Ulrich Intermediate School, a 199,300 square foot facility, becomes the district's ninth intermediate school. (\$25,126,920)
- Classroom additions at Klein Collins and Klein Oak high schools brought the capacity of each campus to 3,500. (\$21,010,813)
- A new Annex is the home of the Therapeutic Education Program (TEP) and the Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP). (\$15,567,577)
- The South Transportation Center opened to save taxpayer dollars because buses will travel fewer miles for which the district receives no state funds. (\$4,306,000)

## Stadium Ready for Football

Klein Memorial Stadium renovations include the addition of 1,000 seats, a new field house, athletic department offices, a new scoreboard and sound system, new field lighting, and restroom renovations. The stadium was ready for the 2010 season's first football game. (\$9,091,400)



## Klein Student Transportation

**17,826** ride **178** buses on **178** bus routes **2x** a day = **35,652** students transported.



### General Fund-Expenditures

- .63¢ - Instruction, Library, and Staff Development
  - .08¢ - Instruction and Campus Leadership
  - .06¢ - Counseling, Social and Health Services
  - .03¢ - Student Transportation
  - .02¢ - Cocurricular/Extracurricular
  - .03¢ - General Administration
  - .11¢ - Plant Maintenance and Operations
  - .01¢ - Security
  - .02¢ - Data Processing Services
  - .01¢ - Other
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- \$1.00 - Total**

# Working Together to Communicate

## Parent Connection

In the fall, the district initiated Parent Connection, an online program that allows parents to see their child's assignments, grades, and attendance anytime, anywhere. Parents may set trigger points to obtain specific information such as notification if the child makes a grade below 80%.

## Reach Out to Dropouts

To encourage dropouts to return to school, administrators, teachers, and community members, for the first time in 2009, joined the greater-Houston Reach Out to Dropouts Walk. They knocked on doors to visit with the dropouts and parents. Those who lack only a few credits or who need to pass Exit Level TAKS may participate in the district's new 2nd Chance Program that offers a flexible schedule during evening hours.



## Facebook and Twitter

KISD began using Facebook and Twitter as enhancements to the district's robust communication tools. The community relations department and the education foundation launched Facebook accounts, and the community relations department established the Twitter page.



## Zoning Committee

Parents and Klein ISD personnel met last year as a committee charged with realigning the intermediate school attendance zones. The committee's mission was to design an attendance zone for Ulrich Intermediate School and to adjust other intermediate zones so that building another school could be delayed thus saving taxpayers money. The community provided feedback through the district website and at a community forum. The district reviewed and considered approximately 800 emails from the community regarding the rezoning.



# Klein District News

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