

# Comal Independent School District

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### **CLHS student wins prize for film production**

Canyon Lake High senior Ray Brown's talent has not only increased his bank account, it has also earned his school a financial bonus.

Brown was recently named the winner of Texas Co-op Power magazine's "Co-op Teens Power Texas" video competition.

His winning entry, a three-minute video using a game show format that stressed being energy efficient at home, earned Brown \$1,500 and CLHS \$1,000.

"I was really interested in the topic of energy tips and did some research playing with the numbers," Brown said. "I found out you could save about \$360 a year with simple energy-saving practices like unplugging your cell-phone charger and setting your computers to stand-by mode when they're not in use."

Brown said he plans to put his prize money toward college, while CLHS plans on putting its money back in the film production class budget.

Brown has honed his video skills in CLHS teacher Sherri Painter's classroom the past three years.

"I am thrilled," Painter said. "I think Ray Brown is amazing. It's an honor to have him in class and to get to watch him learn and grow as a filmmaker. He's the kind of kid I know will be successful at whatever he does."

Brown plans on attending Full Sail University in Florida and majoring in film.

IN PHOTO: Canyon Lake High senior Ray Brown earned \$1,500 for himself and another \$1,000 for CLHS as the winner of Texas Co-op Power magazine's "Co-op Teens Power Texas" video competition. Pictured (l-r) are CLHS teacher Sherri Painter, Anne Harvey, of Pedernales Electric, Brown, CLHS principal Cheryl Koury, Dawn Obeck, of Pedernales Electric, and Monica Vasquez, of Texas Co-op Power Magazine.