

# Comal Independent School District

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Comal Academy ceremony kicks off district's Graduation Week**

The Comal Academy, the district's self-paced high school, kicked off Comal ISD's graduation week with a ceremony at Canyon Lake High. The Academy's 45 graduates walked the stage on May 24.

"I'm very proud of each and every one of our students," said Academy principal Karen Stevens. "They stayed the course and are now being rewarded for all their hard work."

Academy student Eva Melendez-Velasco delivered the Address to Seniors, Kelsey Marie Guerrero gave the invocation and student Zachary Joshua Holm led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The 2011 Academy graduates are Mary Jo Bussell, Matthew Clark, Hope Christine Courtney, Ruben Gabriel Dominguez, Bryce Edwards, George Cooper Erhardt, Micala Enderle, Andrew Engstrom, James S. Farrell, Garrett Matthew Franklin, Koehl Ann Friesenhahn, Cristal Nairobi Gallegos, Zachary Hunter Gardner, James M. Greene, Guerrero, Blaine Alan Gustafson, Zachary R. Haining, Holm, Myhles Huff, Caitlin Elise Jordan, Andrew C. Kessler III, Trevor Lewis Kile, Casey C. Kneese, Jason Sebastian Mata, Isaac Mayo, Micholas Mazza, Melendez-Velasco, Brandon C. Mulder, Breanna N. Mullins, Joe Justin Navarro, Jarred Norris, Kurtis Albert Owens, Tabitha Perry, Wesley Lewis Randall, Christian David Rangel, Kasey Lauren Rennie, Dylan Rider, Joshua Roberts Marcus Alexander Salinas, Kevin Stewart, Lisa A. Stitz, Scott W. Svoboda, Caitlin Brooke Talbert, Cameron Dylan Tow, and Carl Tony Vann Jr.

On Saturday May 28, Comal ISD will hold three graduation ceremonies at Strahan Coliseum on the Texas State University Campus in San Marcos.

Canyon High's graduation kicks off the festive day beginning at 9 a.m. Smithson Valley High (1 p.m.) and Canyon Lake High (5 p.m.) will follow.

In all, 1,110 students are scheduled to receive their diplomas on Saturday, a record number for Comal ISD.

All three Saturday's graduations will be streamed live via the Internet. Visit [comalisd.org](http://comalisd.org) and click on the "Watch Graduation Live" link. In addition, the graduation ceremonies can viewed through the link on the website beginning Sunday.

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IN PHOTO: Comal Academy students gather just before their graduation ceremony May 24 at Canyon Lake High.