

Comal Independent School District

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School Board calls May 14 trustee election

The Comal ISD Board of Trustees on Thursday called an election for May 14 to elect single-member district 3, currently held by Frank Baker and single-member district 4, currently held by Donna Holmes.

District 3 covers the north side of Canyon Lake and some of the Spring Branch area on Highway 281 North. District 4 covers the southern part of Canyon Lake, Startzville and south to Highway 46.

Baker has filed an application for a place on the district 3 ballot and Nancy Pappas of New Braunfels has filed for a place on the district 4 ballot.

Early voting will be May 2 through May 10 at the Comal County Temporary Elections Office at 345 Landa Street.

An application for a place on the ballot is available at the Support Services Administration Offices, 1404 Interstate 35 North in New Braunfels, weekdays between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., until March 14. For more information, please call 830.221.2000.

Comal ISD makes three principal announcements

Comal ISD is proud to announce the following principal and assistant principal appointments, effective July 1:

- Krista Moffatt as principal of Hoffmann Lane Elementary School (HLES)
- Kim Brann as principal of Arlon Seay Elementary School
- Renee Martinez as assistant principal of Canyon High School (CHS).

Moffatt has served as the assistant principal of HLES since 2007. She was a 2nd grade and 3rd grade teacher and a school counselor at Comal Elementary School from 2001-07. She earned a master's degree from University of Texas in San Antonio and a bachelor's degree from Texas State University.

Currently the assistant principal of Bill Brown Elementary School, Brann earned a master's degree and bachelor's degree from Texas State University. She began her teaching career in 1995 as a 4th grade teacher at St. Luke's School in New York City. She returned to Texas in 2001, serving as 4th grade teacher and team leader at Weinert Elementary in Seguin and later moved to Jim Barnes Middle School in Seguin ISD. She joined Comal ISD in 2006 as a math teacher and department chair at Smithson Valley Middle School and joined the staff of Bill Brown Elementary as assistant principal in 2008.

Martinez is currently the academic & career advisor at CHS and has served on that campus in teaching and counseling capacities since 2005. She is replacing the retiring Mary Ann Svoboda. Martinez earned a master's degree from Lamar University and a bachelor's degree from Texas State University.

TAKS season begins March 1

Students in grades 4, 7, 9 and 10 will begin the 2011 Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (TAKS) season with testing on March 1. Fourth-grade and

7th grade students will be taking the writing TAKS, 9th grade students will be taking the reading TAKS and 10th grade students will be taking the English-Language Arts TAKS.

Students are encouraged to get a good night's rest the night before the test and a good, protein-filled breakfast the day of the test, and to arrive at school on time for best results. The remainder of the TAKS will be administered the weeks of April 4-7 and April 25-29.

Registration dates set for kindergarten, Pre-K

Early spring registration for Pre-K, kindergarten and new-to-district students for the 2011-12 school year will be taking place at all elementary schools throughout the month of March. A complete listing of the dates is available on the district website, http://www.comalisd.org/Parents/Early_Registration.asp.

Please bring to registration your child, birth certificate, Social Security number, up-to-date immunization records and two documents showing proof of residency. The campuses for Pre-K will be determined later this spring, but all elementary campuses will be registering four-year-old children who qualify for Pre-K (federal income requirements, limited English proficiency, homeless, child of active duty member of the armed forces, or be in foster care).

Attendance zone maps may be found at this link: http://www.comalisd.org/About_Us/Maps.asp. If you have any questions, please call 830.221.2000.