



GOOSE CREEK

CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



14 Goose Creek students win top awards in district show

Fourteen Goose Creek CISD students earned top honors at the school district's annual Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Art Show on Jan. 7. Overall, there were more than 350 entries for this year's school district competition, with the 14 top winners earning the opportunity to enter the statewide Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo student art competition in March. Goose Creek's 14 entries in the Houston rodeo art show are by far the most in recent years.

At the high school level, Tiffany Fontenot, a senior at Ross S. Sterling, won "Best of Show" at the event. She is a student of art teacher Roberta Sturges.

Luis Passament, a sophomore at Robert E. Lee and Ryan Gibbs, a sophomore at Ross S. Sterling, were named "Gold Medal Winners" in the high school category. Passament is a student of art teacher Canace Ferguson, and Gibbs is a student of Sturges.

Earning "Special Merit" awards were Sterling senior Jesus Amezcua, Sterling freshman Clayton Baker, Lee junior Lisbet Gonzalez, Lee senior Keith Thompson, Goose Creek Memorial senior Courtney Bighorse, Goose Creek Memorial senior Kristy Deen, and Goose Creek Memorial senior Andrea Martinez.

Amezcua and Baker are students of Sturges. Gonzalez and Thompson are students of art teacher Emrie Werth. Bighorse, Deen, and Martinez are students of art teacher Kelley Ellis.

At the junior school level, Genni Butts, a Highlands Junior eighth-grader, won "Best of Show." She is the student of art teacher Carla Griffin.

Joey Banuelos, a Highlands Junior sixth-grader, was named a "Gold Medal Winner." He is also a student of Griffin.

At the elementary level, Zachary Bogle, a Harlem second-grader, won "Best of Show." He is a student of art teacher Michael Garza.

Bowie second-grader Emma Barefoot earned a "Gold Medal" award. She is the student of art teacher Annette Brownfield.

"These teachers and students, as well as all our district art staff and their students, are to be commended for the fine artwork displayed at our show," said Goose Creek Fine Arts Director Tim Vaughn.

The 14 winning Goose Creek students will now vie against hundreds of others to have their artwork selected for auction.

There are usually an estimated 50 pieces chosen. If selected, a portion of the money made through this process goes directly to the student, and the remainder is used for the livestock show and rodeo scholarship fund.

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