




# GOOSE CREEK

## CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



Members of Community Resource Credit Union presented Goose Creek CISD Superintendent Dr. Toby York and Peter E. Hyland Learning Center Principal Michelle Verdun a plaque honoring the late educator Peter. E. Hyland on Monday, July 26. From left are Board vice president Wilyne Laughlin, Community Resource director Ruben de Hoyos, Hyland's daughter Karen Knutson, Community Resource director Tucker Coughlen, Verdun, Hyland's wife, Dyann Hyland, Community Resource senior vice president Ronnie Anderson, Community Resource director Jonna Cagle-Page, Community Resource director Trudy Masters, and Dr. York

## Late Goose Creek educator honored at meeting

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The plaque will be placed at the school bearing his name on Decker Drive.

The credit union group, which included members of Hyland's family, also presented a resolution honoring Hyland from the Texas Credit Union League.

Representing Community Resource Credit Union, the family of Peter Hyland and the Texas Credit Union League, Community Resource senior vice president Ronnie Anderson praised Hyland for making an impact "on those who worked with him and those students he mentored in GCCISD," but also the "impact during his volunteer service on the boards of two credit unions here in Baytown."

Hyland served as chairman of the board of Community Resource Credit Union from 2008 to 2009; and served as vice chairman of the Baytown Teachers Credit Union from 2003 to 2005.

The resolution stated that Hyland was "well-respected in the credit union community, and he will always be remembered for his principled leadership and integrity."

Shortly after Hyland died last July, the Goose Creek Board of Trustees voted unanimously to name the school housing the Alternative Learning Program to the Peter E. Hyland Learning Center.

Hyland was Director of the Alternative Learning Program in Goose Creek CISD from 1980 until his retirement in 2004. Hyland was revered for his passion for helping students to succeed with a high school education.

A pioneer in alternative education in the state of Texas, Hyland was a teacher and administrator for Goose Creek CISD for over 30 years. He was the inspiration behind the development of ALP in 1980. He was a mentor for many others who were developing alternative schools in school districts throughout the state. His motto throughout the years was "whatever it takes to meet the needs of a very diverse population of students."

In June 2009, Hyland was given a plaque by the Board of Directors of the Texas Association for Alternative Education that named him as a "Warrior for Alternative Education."

Construction continues at the new Peter E. Hyland Center where a new wing and day care center are being added to the building at the corner of Garth and Decker. Work will be completed for the start of school.

A dedication ceremony for the new school is being planned for the fall.

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