



Clements HS students Justin, Cory, Preston, Alex, Miguel, Samantha, Kate and Hannah

CLEMENTS HIGH SCHOOL

Known as One of the Best High Schools in Texas

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In the middle of Sugar Land lies one of Texas' best schools – Clements High School. It has been recognized as one of the top ten best high schools in Texas by Texas Monthly and out of 1,500 top high schools around the nation, Newsweek magazine ranked Clements 353rd this year.

Although referred to as Clements High School, the name you see on the building is William P. Clements High School in honor of past Texas governor Bill Clements. The former governor made many contributions to the Texas education system. Clements now has about 2,800 students enrolled with over 750 incoming freshmen and they employ about 160 faculty members.



Some of the teachers at Clements HS

ACADEMICALLY AND SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE

Clements's mission statement describes the essence of the school -- "Clements High School is a diverse community of lifelong learners which seeks to enhance each student's potential for academic excellence and social responsibility." And Principal Moran summarizes the philosophy of Clements faculty best when he says, "All kids, everyday." Principal Kevin Moran and Associate Principal MaryEllen Edge, along with all the other faculty and staff work as a team to facilitate the most secure environment for learning for the students. In doing this they are able to help every student become successful. "The combination of a very dedicated family-oriented staff and the diversity of the students is what makes our high school special," says Principal Moran's Secretary Sharon Shapiro.

When asked what he thought was the best thing about Clements, Alex Barrow, a senior,

says, "Everybody is welcoming. We don't have hazing or bullying -- it's like the school is one big family." Moran also credited the school district with contributing to the quality of education available at Clements, "Fort Bend ISD does a good job to make sure every student that comes in receives the best and allows every kid to find their way," says Moran.

WELL-ROUNDED STUDENTS

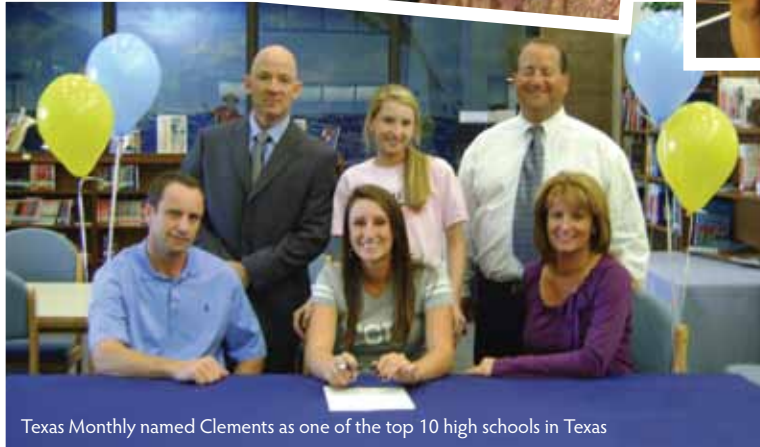
In talking about what his students need to succeed, Moran discussed understanding them as individuals and providing continuous feedback as two essential ingredients. In addition, "You must have patience and understanding," says Moran. Barrow felt that Clements has done a good job in helping him to prepare for his future. He says, "The classes are all pretty hard and it's taught me how to work." With all of the support from faculty, parents and the efforts of the students, Clements fulfills their vision of working for every student to ensure that they become successful well-rounded individuals. **SLM**



Levy Ngo with receptionist Susan Lord



The 2009-2010 Clements cheerleaders



Texas Monthly named Clements as one of the top 10 high schools in Texas

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Clements Flag Guard members Jeremy, Alonso, and Qiyao

CLEMENTS HIGH SCHOOL FAST FACTS

LOCATION 4200 Elkins Dr., Sugar Land

OPENING YEAR 1982-1983

SCHOOL COLORS

Columbia blue, navy blue, and white

MASCOT

Ranger

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Top 10 High School in TX by Texas Monthly Magazine, ranked 353 in top US high schools in Newsweek

Special distinctions: Clements has the largest chapter of the National Honor Society per student population of any public high school in the nation.

CLEMENTS SCHOOL SONG

Hues of Blue and White are our colors.
High our banners proudly we fly.
Built of spirit and tradition.
You will hear our battle cry.
We will sing of honor and glory.
Lift our voices as high as the sky.
To the mighty strength of the Rangers.
Alma mater Clements High.

FAMOUS ALUMNI

- ★ Matt Albers - Major League Baseball pitcher, Baltimore Orioles
- ★ Ryan Pontbriand - National Football League Long Snapper, Named to The 2008 Pro Bowl Cleveland Browns
- ★ Kevin Wu aka Kevjumba - Youtube Comedy Star, 2006 to Present

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