



**STATE OF THE DISTRICT 2016-2017**

**OPPORTUNITY  
IS HERE.**

**CYPRESS  FAIRBANKS**

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

LEARN • EMPOWER • ACHIEVE • DREAM



# MISSION

We will maximize every student's potential through rigorous and relevant learning experiences preparing students to be 21st Century global leaders.

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# MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’  
— Martin Luther King Jr.”

I feel grateful to be part of a cohesive community like Cypress-Fairbanks ISD. We thrive despite our various differences because we represent 115,000 students who share similar contrasts.

CFISD is not simply a destination district for our college/career preparation, extracurricular prowess or award-winning programs. Although outstanding, what has historically set us apart is that a large community—educators, businesses/organizations and taxpayers—can come together to make life better for the next generation.

United we stand, poised for that bright future to begin right now in the 2016-2017 school year. As you view our *State of the District* publication, you will see the many reasons we have to celebrate as we offer an unparalleled universal public education experience for all children.

Members of our educational community deserve a piece of the credit, and will reap the benefit of investing in our future—one that includes *CFISD for All*.

Sincerely,

**MARK HENRY, ED.D.**

Superintendent of Schools



# MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Thank you for your interest in the Cypress-Fairbanks ISD. We are the third-largest school district in the state but No. 1 in every other ranking.

My husband and I moved to this area in the late 1970s because we wanted the best education available for our children. CFISD has always been a district of unwavering commitment to students. Not only do we provide premier academics to our students, we also offer a wide variety of co-curricular activities, clubs and athletic opportunities. CFISD operates in an efficient and effective manner, which our taxpayers appreciate.

In our 77th year, we opened our 11th comprehensive high school, Cypress Park, and welcomed nearly 115,000 students through the doors of our 88 schools. This year's theme is appropriately *CFISD for All*. We are the institution of choice of 97 percent of the students living in our boundaries. Because we operate in an unincorporated area of Harris County, our school district has long been the core of our community and the tie that binds us together. We are here for our students AND our community. Likewise, our community has always been there for us.

Consider volunteering — mentoring, tutoring, shelving books in the library, assisting in science or computer labs. From experience, I can tell you all these options are personally fulfilling and needed. You do not have to be a parent or guardian. Visit [cfisd.net](http://cfisd.net) and go to the *Community Involvement* tab for more details. It is going to be a great year in CFISD, especially with your participation.

Cordially,

**DARCY MINGOIA**

President, CFISD Board of Trustees

# ENROLLMENT & DEMOGRAPHICS

The third-largest district in Texas and 23rd-largest in the nation, CFISD's student enrollment is expected to surpass 115,000 in 2016-2017.



**23** LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE U.S.



**3** LARGEST SCHOOL DISTRICT IN TEXAS



**114,704** ENROLLED SEPT. 15 2016

**3.09%** STUDENTS FROM DISTRICT IN PRIVATE/CHARTER SCHOOLS

**96.91%** STUDENTS FROM DISTRICT IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS



**NEW RESIDENTS SINCE 2000**

**273,000**

MORE RESIDENTIAL GROWTH THAN 21 STATES AROUND THE NATION

**54** ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

**18** MIDDLE SCHOOLS

**11** HIGH SCHOOLS

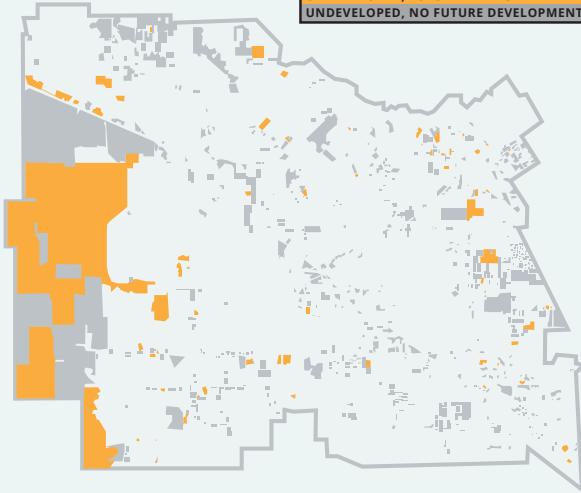
**5** SPECIAL PROGRAM FACILITIES

# #4 OUT OF 62 HOUSTON METRO-AREA SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR MOST HOUSING STARTS IN THE PAST TWO YEARS

# 38,534 PROJECTED NEW HOUSING OCCUPANCIES BY 2025-2026

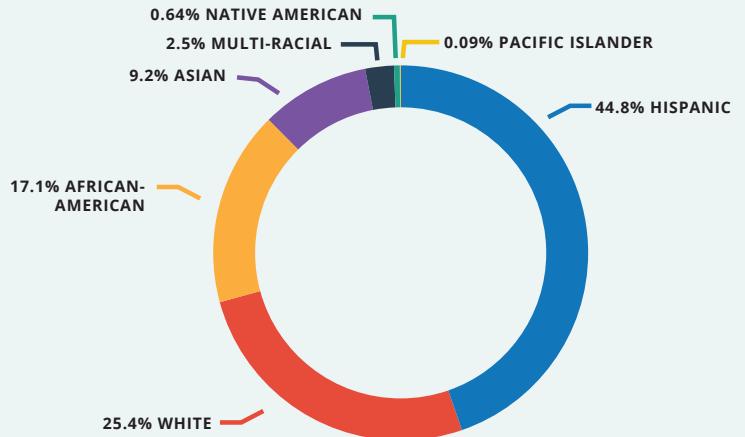
## CURRENT & FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOPED, CURRENTLY DEVELOPING  
 UNDEVELOPED, FUTURE DEVELOPMENT  
 UNDEVELOPED, NO FUTURE DEVELOPMENT



With 20 percent of its 186 square miles undeveloped, the district continues to grow out toward its Grand Parkway-flanked western boundary. More than 38,000 housing occupancies are expected to join the district by 2025, ensuring future growth in the school community. District demographer Population and Survey Analysts (PASA) cites a low economically disadvantaged population, young population and high median income level as reasons for the district's continued expansion.

CFISD's multicultural population represents a rich ethnic diversity throughout the community. More than 100 languages and dialects are spoken by CFISD students, while 3,943 students have successfully completed the district's New Arrival Center (NAC) English language immersion program.



# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The Texas Education Agency (TEA) awarded CFISD the highest possible rating of *Met Standard* for the fourth straight year in its annual accountability ratings in August 2016.

All 83 eligible district schools earned the same distinction, keeping CFISD as the largest Texas district with all schools receiving *Met Standard* or *Met Alternative Standard* designations.

The CFISD campuses achieved these designations by meeting all four Index targets beyond the three that were required—a remarkable feat considering the following: an increase in passing standards across all STAAR 3-8 tests and EOC tests for first-time test-takers; a new state testing contractor and subsequent issues with testing and data reporting; and an increase in the Index 2 target for all levels.

500 SAT  
READING

516 SAT  
MATH

482 SAT  
WRITING

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7,733 DUAL-CREDIT  
STUDENTS

23,542 COLLEGE  
HOURS EARNED

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13,499 ADVANCED  
PLACEMENT  
STUDENTS

22,060 AP CLASS  
ENROLLMENT

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27 NATIONAL MERIT  
SEMIFINALISTS

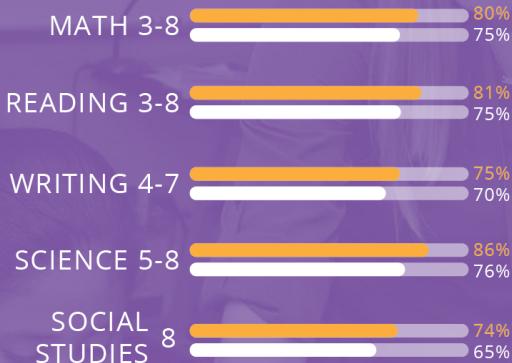
102 COMMENDED IN  
NATIONAL MERIT

# STAAR COMPARISON

## CFISD VS STATE

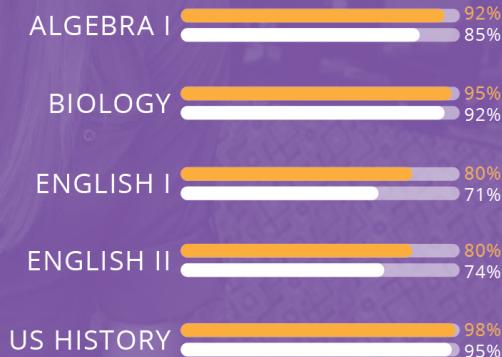
### 2016 STAAR RESULTS, GRADES 3-8

Level II:Satisfactory English Version, All Student Group



### 2016 STAAR RESULTS, EOC PASSING RATES

Level II:Satisfactory First Time Tested, Spring 2016, All Student Group

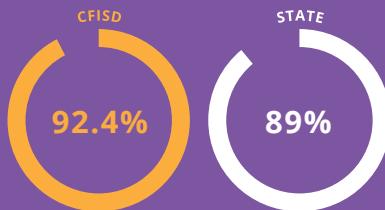


# THE CLASS OF 2016

7,693

GRADUATING SENIORS

### GRADUATION RATE



\$99

MILLION  
IN SCHOLARSHIPS

# FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Despite a local economic downturn and drastic reduction in state funding from the previous year, CFISD passed a balanced budget in June that allowed for a competitive teacher salary schedule and provided raises across the board. The budget passed with a 2016-2017 tax rate that will remain unchanged from the previous year.

Taxpayers earn a discount simply for living in the district, as CFISD is among a select group of districts whose Board annually preserves a 20-percent homestead exemption.

Statewide organizations consistently rank CFISD as a fiscal leader in Texas. The district is one of only three to earn a five-star rating from Texas Smart Schools (formerly FAST) for all six years of the program. The nonpartisan data firm Education Resource Group gave CFISD a No. 2 state rating for its combined financial and academic performance.

# TEXAS SMART SCHOOLS RATING



2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016

BUDGETED OPERATING COST

**\$7,744** PER STUDENT



**87%** OF BUDGET RESERVED FOR PAYROLL

**\$106** MILLION IN BUDGET REDUCTIONS SINCE 2008

**TOP 2**

**IN FINANCIAL AND ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE**  
FOR 4 CONSECUTIVE YEARS

## NEIGHBORING DISTRICTS ANNUAL TAXES

	HOUSTON ISD	CFISD	PASADENA ISD	TOMBALL ISD	KATY ISD
TOTAL RATE	\$1.1967	\$1.44	\$1.35	\$1.34	\$1.5166
DISTRICT EXEMPTION	20%	20%	10%	N/A	N/A
200K HOME RATE	\$1,615.54	\$1,944	\$2,092.50	\$2,345	\$2,654.05

RATES REFLECT ESTIMATES BASED ON A 200K HOME IN 2015



**DISTRICT HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION**

**\$1.44 TOTAL TAX RATE**  
\$1.04 M&O + \$0.40 I&S

**\$1,944 ANNUAL TAXES**  
ON A \$200,000 HOME

# COMMUNICATION

The communication team helps staff members, parents, students and media stay abreast of news and updates through the CFISD app, electronic publications, *SchoolMessenger* notification service, website and social media.

8.7 MILLION

DISTRICT AND SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS SENT 2015-2016



5 MILLION  
PHONE CALLS



3.5 MILLION  
EMAILS



155,000  
TEXT MESSAGES



@cyfairisd

25,000

LIKES



@cyfairisd

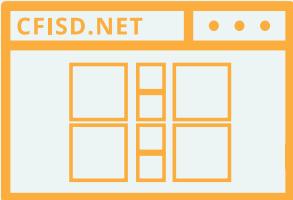
16,000

FOLLOWERS



CFISD  
APP

**20,000**  
**DOWNLOADS**  
LAUNCHED FALL 2015



CFISD.NET

**35 MILLION**  
**PAGE VIEWS**  
2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR



@cyfairisd

**7,000**  
**FOLLOWERS**



@cyfairisd

**6,000**  
**FOLLOWERS**

# COMMUNITY RELATIONS

CFISD's community engagement team has nurtured positive relationships throughout the business and nonprofit landscape, resulting in more than 51 Adopt-a-School partnerships and 598 adult mentors for students.

In addition to school involvement, local businesses contributed nearly \$6 million in advertising, sponsorships, donations and incentives.

More than 5,000 volunteers provided a collective 325,000 hours of support for staff and students valued at more than \$7 million in 2015-2016 alone.



**5,372 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS**

SERVED 325,163 HOURS VALUED AT \$7,660,840.20



**317 BUS BUDDIES**



**598 STUDENT MENTORS**



**51**

**ADOPTED SCHOOLS**



**358**

**BUSINESS PARTNERS**

CONTRIBUTED NEARLY \$6,000,000 IN ADVERTISING, SPONSORSHIPS, DONATIONS & INCENTIVES

CFISD benefits from the award-winning Cy-Fair Educational Foundation, which ranked fourth in the nation in a 2015 Dewey & Associates study. Through signature events like the Salute to the Stars Gala, Houston Methodist Cy-Hoops Invitational and BF Adam Golf Classic, the CFEF awarded \$353,000 in scholarships to 106 students last year.

**\$353,000**  
**SCHOLARSHIPS**

**#4** **EDUCATION  
FOUNDATION  
IN U.S.**  
FROM DEWEY & ASSOCIATES

**\$53,000**

**RAISED AT  
SUPERINTENDENT'S  
FUN RUN 2016**

CFISD's community programs and community engagement departments were instrumental in helping the CFEF raise more than \$53,000 at the third annual Superintendent's Fun Run in February. Community Programs' before- and after-school program, Club Rewind, boasts an enrollment of 6,000 students and is present in all elementary and middle schools.

**6,000** **STUDENTS  
ENROLLED IN  
CLUB REWIND**

**72** **SCHOOLS  
WITH CLUB  
REWIND**

# BOND UPDATE

The district continues to utilize taxpayer-approved bond funds to add new construction and improve existing facilities. CFISD's 11th high school, Cypress Park, opened in August to serve students in the southwest portion of the district. The first state-of-the-art piece of the district's first-ever "educational village" will be followed by a future middle school and elementary campus. Additionally, bond funds cover ongoing major renovations to Dean and Watkins middle schools as well as Adam and Bane elementary schools. The upgrades will be completed by the summer of 2017.

## CYPRESS PARK HS BY THE NUMBERS

591,000 SQUARE FEET | \$127 MILLION BUILDING COST | 3,300 STUDENT CAPACITY

A fixture of CFISD athletics for many decades, Ken Pridgeon Stadium underwent a major renovation that athletes and fans will enjoy for the 2016 football season. A new natatorium funded by the 2014 Bond Referendum is scheduled to open next to Pridgeon Stadium in the first quarter of 2017, giving the entire block a new look.

**\$49 MILLION** **COMBINED BUDGET**  
FOR PRIDGEON AND NATATORIUM

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# NEW CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

BRIDGELAND HS • COLD FOOD STORAGE WAREHOUSE • ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #55  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #56 • MATZKE REPLACEMENT CAMPUS • NATATORIUM  
WESTGREEN AG-SCIENCE CENTER • WESTGREEN TRANSPORTATION CENTER

ONGOING THROUGHOUT 2016-2017

## PROJECTED SCHOOL OPENINGS

2016

**CYPRESS PARK HS**  
OPENED AUG. 2016

2020

**MIDDLE SCHOOL #19**

2017

**BRIDGELAND HS**  
**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #55**  
**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #56**  
**MATZKE ES REPLACEMENT**

2021

**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #57**

COMPLETION 2016

# PRIDGEON

TWO-STORY PRESS BOX • CENTRALIZED TICKET BOOTHS  
RENOVATED CONCESSIONS • BAND PLAZA • VIDEO BOARD

50-METER POOL • 1,000+ SEATS

PROJECTED COMPLETION 2017

# NATATORIUM

# TECHNOLOGY

CFISD is continually taking steps to transform schools into 21st-century learning environments. Bond funds allow new campuses like Cypress Park High School to be constructed with built-in enhancements, while existing campuses will add thousands of devices and new equipment in 2016-2017.

**90,000** **TOTAL**  
**DEVICES**

MORE THAN **200** 21st-CENTURY CLASSROOMS WITH BRAND NEW DEVICES AND EQUIPMENT

**29,256** **DESKTOP** **COMPUTERS** | **28,690** **LAPTOP** **COMPUTERS**

**2,096** **PROMETHEAN**  
**INTERACTIVE**  
**WHITEBOARDS**

**6,222** **HOVERCAM**  
**DOCUMENT**  
**CAMERAS**

**686** **LIGHTSPEED**  
**TWO-WAY**  
**INTERCOMS**

The technology services staff has upgraded more than 100,000 network connections and completed 100 percent of the network electronics infrastructure hubs throughout the district, helping manage nearly 90,000 district-owned devices in addition to student-owned devices and wireless connections.

A *Bring Your Own Technology (BYOT)* plan will roll out this year with compatible district devices available to purchase.

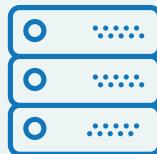
The seventh annual Technology Festival showcased more than 1,100 student projects to more than 4,200 guests in April 2016, and the annual Digital Learning Conference in July allowed nearly 1,000 educators to enhance instruction with technology.

**9,789** TABLETS

**2,933** GOOGLE CHROMEBOOK LAPTOPS



**3**  
**DATA**  
**CENTERS**



**110**  
**PHYSICAL**  
**SERVERS**



**64**  
**VIRTUAL**  
**SERVERS**



**250**  
**TERABYTES**  
**OF STORAGE**



**17,000**  
**EMAIL**  
**ACCOUNTS**

# HEALTH & SAFETY



CFISD remains one of the safest possible environments for students, with 76 sworn police and 7 security officers protecting the peace and forging positive relationships throughout the district. Bond funds have allowed for enhanced security vestibules, cameras and radio systems that will assist the officers in their jobs. Additionally, body armor will help keep officers protected, especially in crisis situations.

# 2 CFISD NURSES RANKED IN TOP 10 HOUSTON NURSES BY *HOUSTON CHRONICLE* 19 RANKED IN TOP 150

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89 REGISTERED NURSES

43 CLINIC ASSISTANTS

5 LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSES

The health services team of 89 RNs, 43 clinic assistants and 5 LVNs monitor wellness at each campus. In addition, the team also offered 8,067 CPR classes in 2015-2016. CFISD's first-ever school-based health clinic will open near Cypress Park High School this year, offering free health care to economically disadvantaged populations. The district's 272 automated external defibrillators (AEDs) help save lives: athletic trainers offered 1,435 preventative electrocardiogram (ECG) screenings to monitor athlete heart conditions.

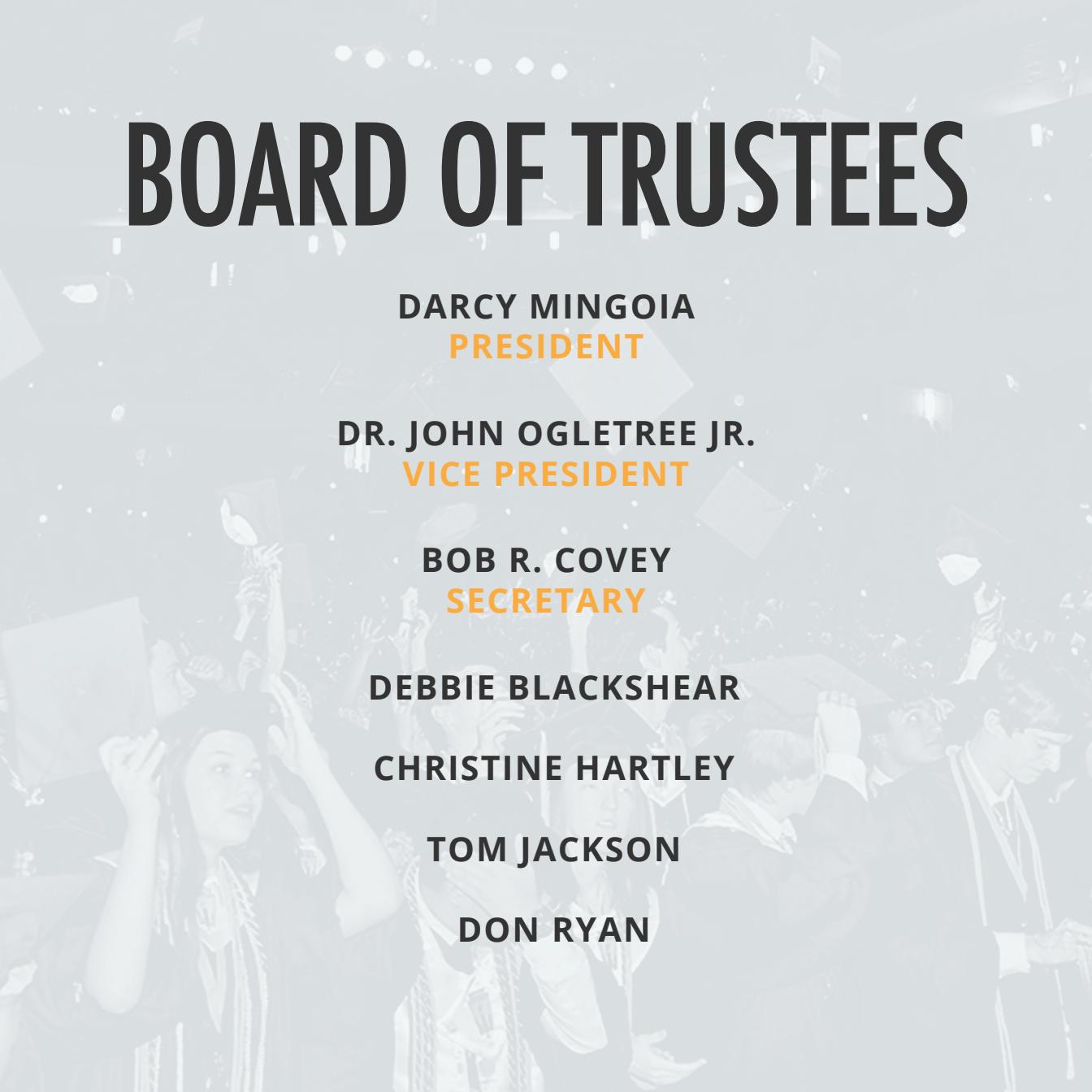
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1,435 ELECTROCARDIOGRAM SCREENINGS

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272 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS





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**FOR  
ALL**