



2009 Blue Ribbon School  
 2009 National Title I Distinguished School  
 2009 CLAS Banner School  
 2008 School Digger 5 Star School  
 2007 Exceeding the Challenge School  
 2006 Exceeding the Challenge School

**WEEKLY NEWS: FEBRUARY 8, 2010**

**CULLMAN CITY SCHOOL'S CHARACTER THEME: FAIRNESS**

*"WE ARE ALL DIFFERENT. YET WE ARE ALL GOD'S CHILDREN. WE ARE ALL UNITED BEHIND THIS COUNTRY AND THE COMMON CAUSE OF FREEDOM, JUSTICE, FAIRNESS, AND EQUALITY. THAT IS WHAT UNITES US. BARBARA BOXER.*

**VFW 2010 Patriot's Pen Essay Winners:** The following sixth grade students were honored last week and VFW Patriot's Pen Essay Winners.

- 1<sup>st</sup> place- Kylie Witcher \$100
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place-Donovan Copeland \$50
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place- Mason Sams \$25

**Scholars Bowl Team Qualifies for State:** The West Elementary Scholars Bowl team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in district competition and qualified to participate in the State Scholars Bowl competition on March 6 in Hoover. Team members are Bailey Chesnut, Emily Dale, Emma Hicks, Andy Robinson, Austin Tankersley, and David Turner. Congratulations to the Scholars Bowl and team sponsor, Nancy Robinson!



**Academic Gains:** Faculty and students are recording excellent academic gains this year!  
 STAR Reading – YTD School wide percentile rank is up six percentile (55.5 to 62)  
 STAR Math – YTD School wide percentile rank is up fourteen percentile (56 to 70)

**2010 State Superintendent's Visual Arts Exhibit:** Congratulations to Brinley Smith, Anna Grace Murphy and Lauren Harbison for being invited to display their artwork at the State Superintendents Visual Arts Exhibit at the Old Supreme Court Library of the Alabama State Capitol February 8 -19. Each student will receive a certificate of participation.

**CALENDAR EVENTS**

- February 8: Lesson plans due;
- February 9: Beta Club meeting;
- February 10: Report Card Grade postings due; Math Team practice; 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Gifted training;
- February 11: 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester AR Celebration deadline; Student reports printed (report cards, Star Reading, Star Math, ThinkLink); Valentine Day Celebrations; Youth for Christ;
- February 12: FLEX Professional Development Day;
- February 15: Presidents' Day Holiday;
- February 16: Report Cards Issued; CCS Board meeting; Lesson Plans due;
- February 17: Birthday, Myra Pitts; Math Team practice; West Elementary Faculty birthday celebration;
- February 18: Youth for Christ;
- February 19: AR Celebration, 1:30;



**DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS**