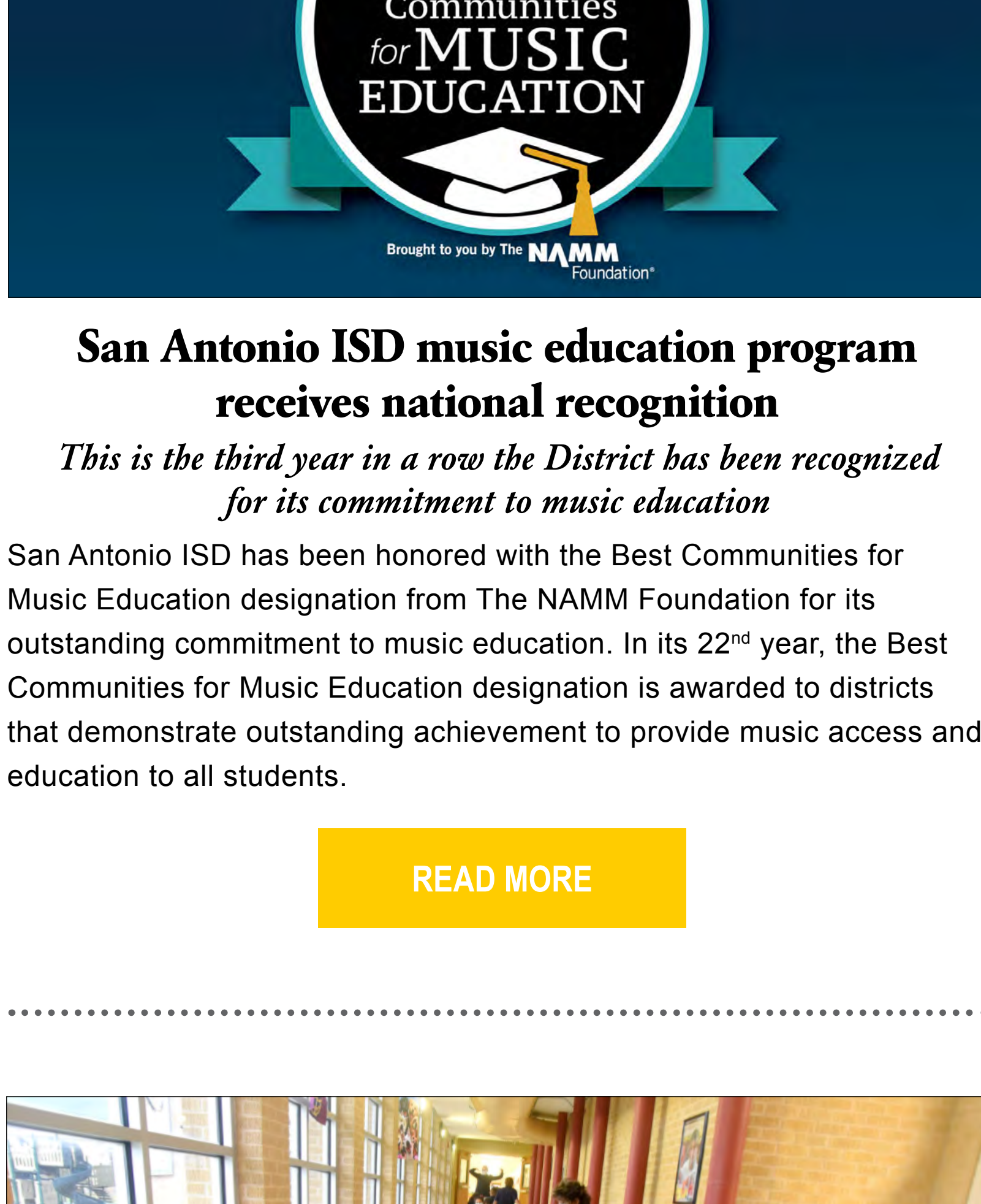


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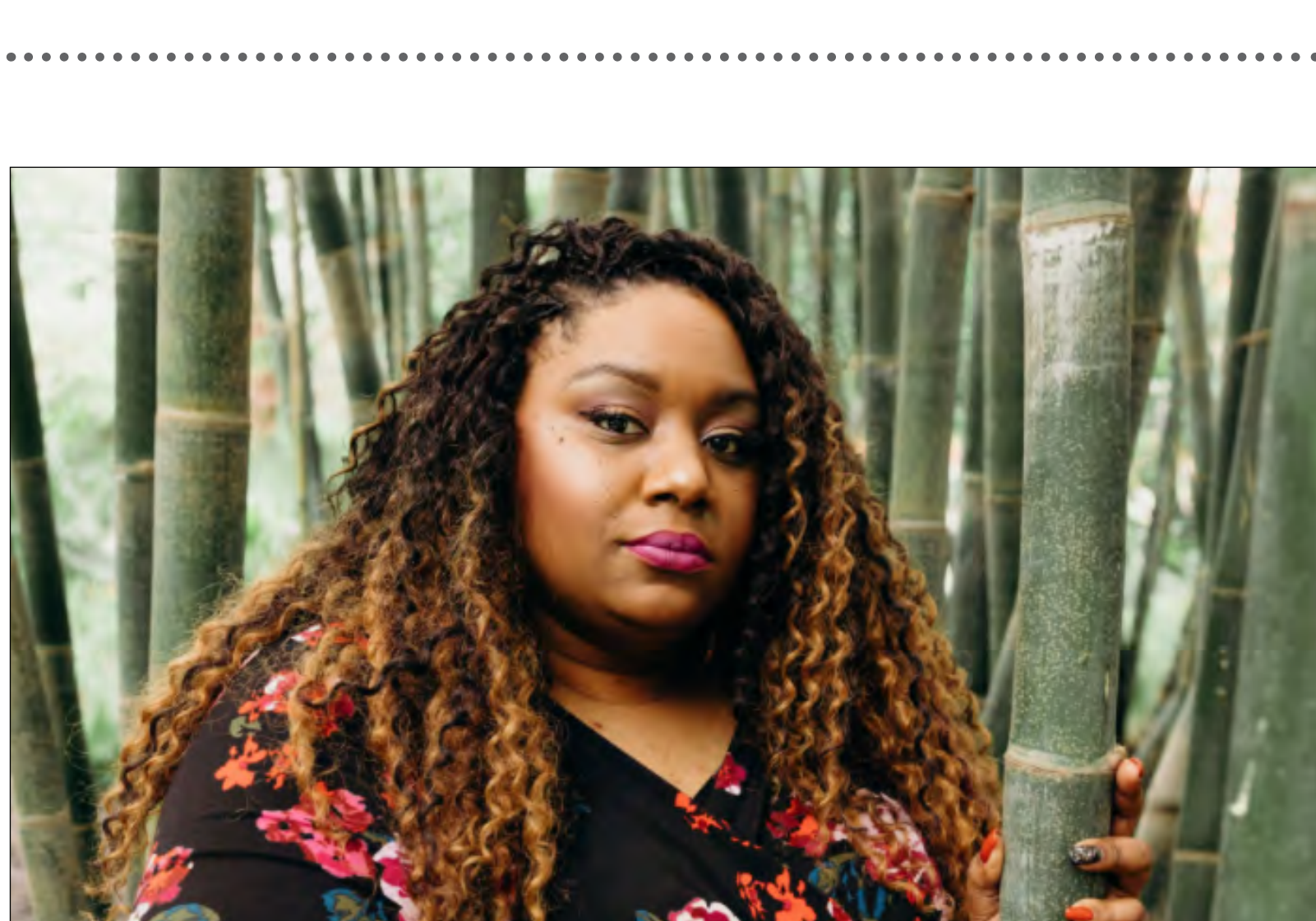


San Antonio ISD music education program receives national recognition

This is the third year in a row the District has been recognized for its commitment to music education

San Antonio ISD has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation for its outstanding commitment to music education. In its 22nd year, the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement to provide music access and education to all students.

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Little Learners

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AT SAN ANTONIO ISD

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Early Childhood Education at San Antonio ISD

My heart immediately felt lighter the moment I stepped into Carroll Early Childhood Education Center in early April. The sound of children laughing greeted me, and I couldn't help but smile as a pack of Pre-K students and their teacher skipped (safely, of course!) through the hallway, singing and holding hands as they made their way to their classroom. There is something special happening at Carroll and at all of San Antonio ISD's Early Childhood Education Centers.

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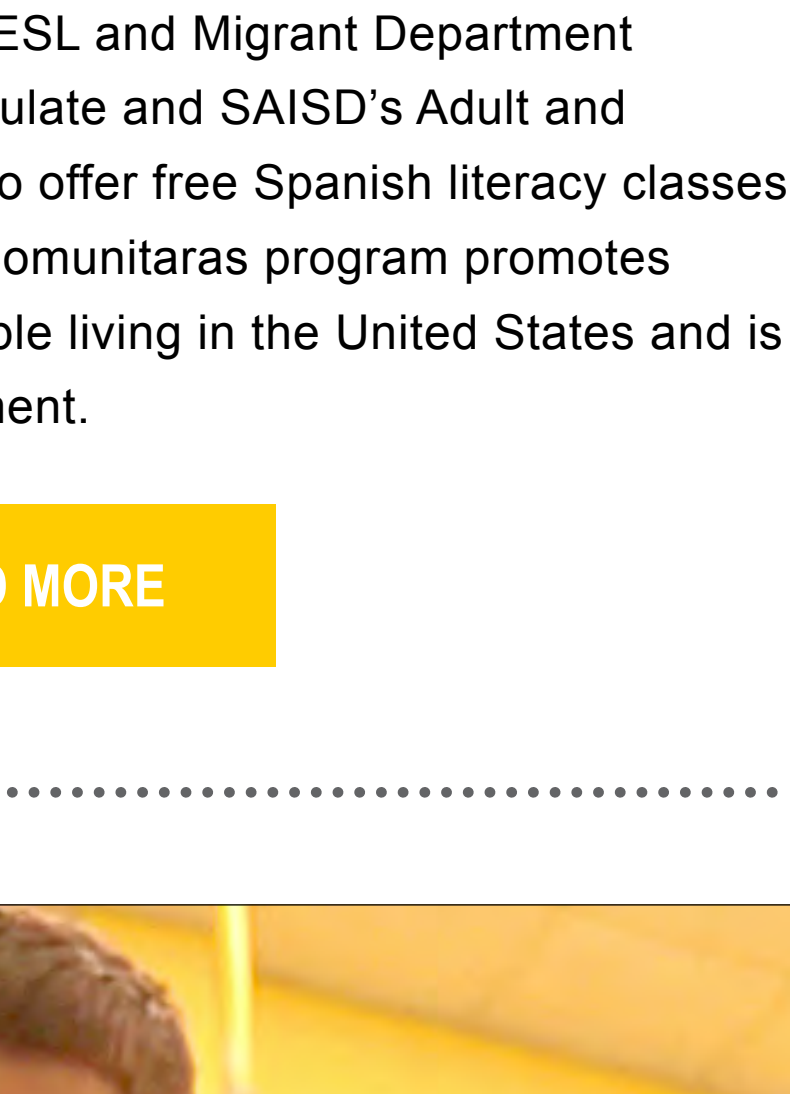
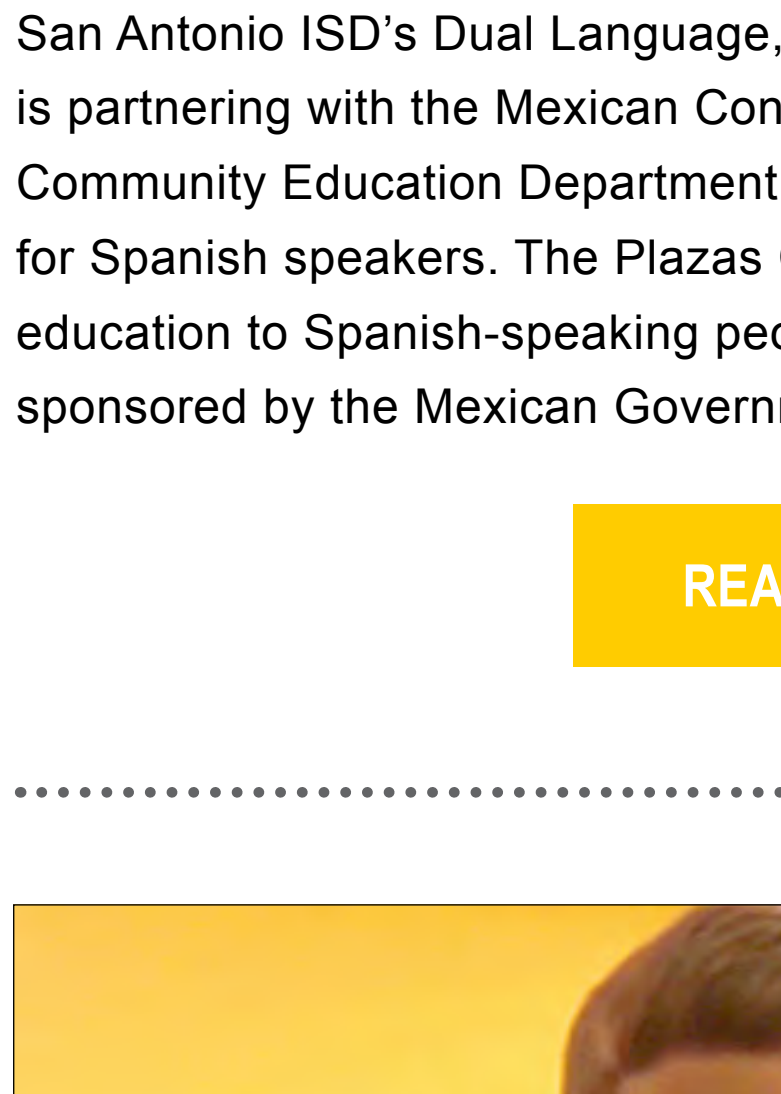


Celebrating National Poetry Month with poet laureate

In celebration of National Poetry Month, Young Women's Leadership Academy - Primary is hosting local poets to talk to students during a special Guest Poet Series. Last week, the all-girls primary school hosted San Antonio's Poet Laureate Andrea "Vocab" Sanderson.

"Writing is one of the most powerful tools you can have," said Sanderson. "People have a lot more respect for you when you have your education and can articulate yourself. Writing is a way to represent the best gifts you have inside yourself."

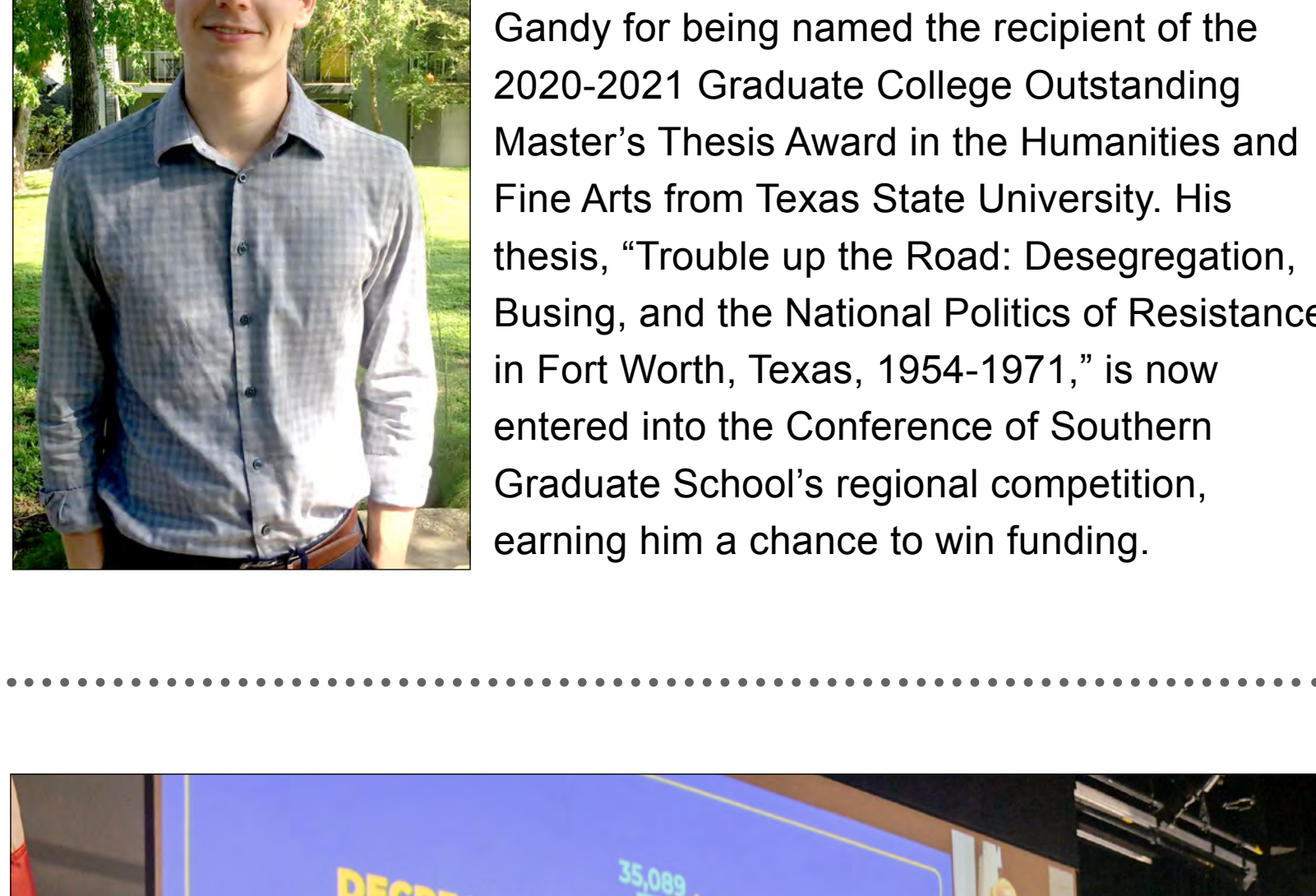
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Elevated service with new pharmacy benefit manager

Knox Early Childhood Education Center Head Start teacher Amanda Lindberg's infant son couldn't keep food down, and he was continually getting a rash. After being diagnosed with acid reflux, as well as corn and milk allergies, she finally found a formula that didn't upset her baby's tiny tummy. But it was expensive. Then she discovered the exceptional personal service provided by PCA Rx, which has saved SAISD pharmacy plan members more than \$20,000 a month since January, compared to the previous year.

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San Antonio ISD, Mexican Consulate partnership provides classes to Spanish-speaking community

San Antonio ISD's Dual Language, ESL and Migrant Department is partnering with the Mexican Consulate and SAISD's Adult and Community Education Department to offer free Spanish literacy classes for Spanish speakers. The Plazas Comunitarias program promotes education to Spanish-speaking people living in the United States and is sponsored by the Mexican Government.

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Herff Academy wins first-ever reading competition trophy, library makeover

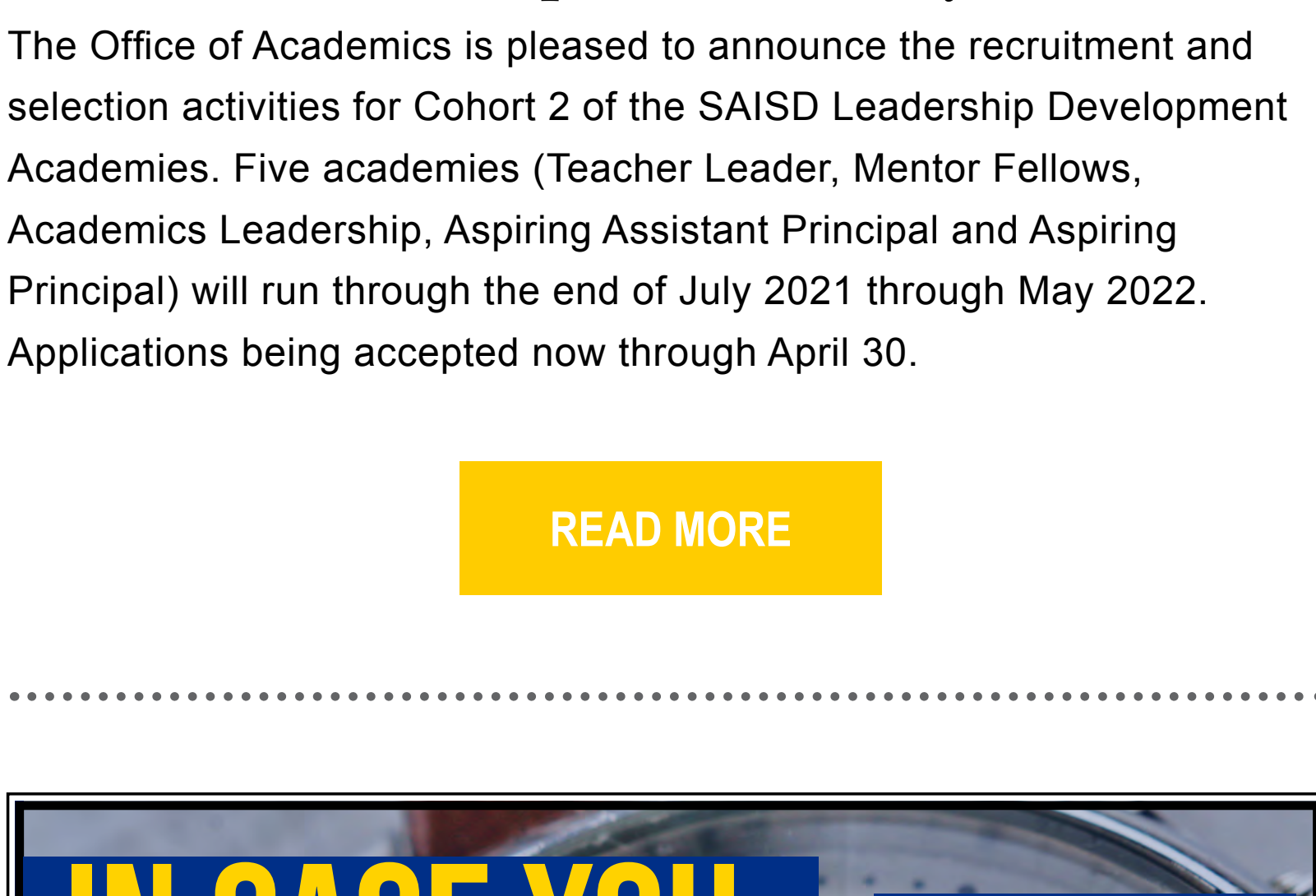
A little competition has sparked a newfound love of reading for students at Herff Academy. The students won a reading competition and the school received \$5,000 for a library makeover. Watch this touching report from KSAT 12 & KSAT.com.

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Teacher receives thesis award

Congratulations to St. Philip's Early College High School social studies teacher Blake Gandy for being named the recipient of the 2020-2021 Graduate College Outstanding Master's Thesis Award in the Humanities and Fine Arts from Texas State University. His thesis, "Trouble up the Road: Desegregation, Busing, and the National Politics of Resistance in Fort Worth, Texas, 1954-1971," is now entered into the Conference of Southern Graduate School's regional competition, earning him a chance to win funding.



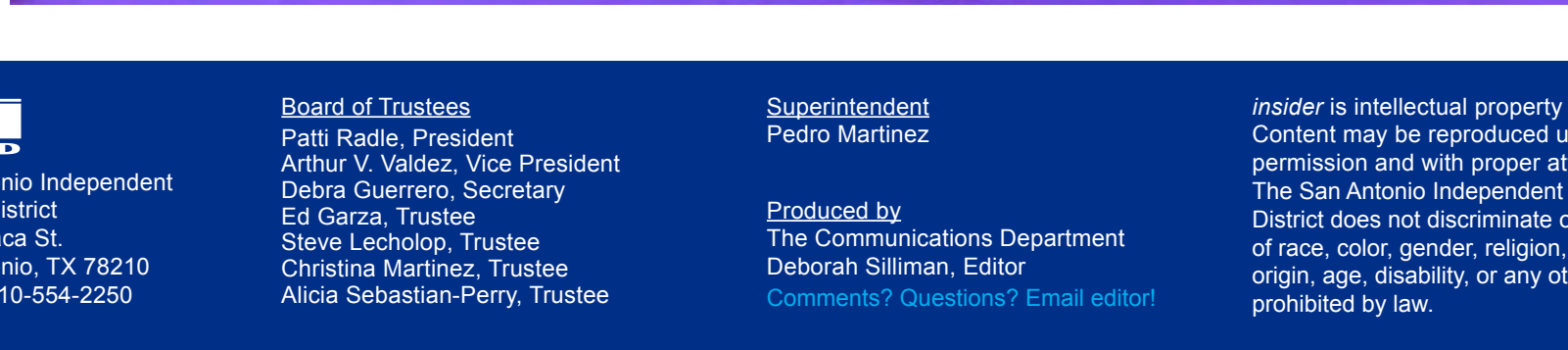
District events showcase academic achievements, Bond highlights

Superintendent Pedro Martinez hosted a series of community meetings this month. These socially distanced evening events celebrated the Bond 2016 projects and the dramatic transformation that the Bond work brought to the campuses. Families were invited to see the renovations firsthand and learn what else was coming up in Bond 2020 to further deliver 21st-century learning environments.

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Attention teachers and librarians!

The voting window for "Teacher of the Year" is now open! Please take the time to vote for the campus nominee that you believe most exemplifies the standards of an outstanding educator. The annual "Teacher of the Year" award honors teachers who excel in academic success, school leadership, and service to the school community.

To vote, please [click here](#) and choose your campus to view the nominees. The voting period will run through April 23.

Sign up now for an SAISD Leadership Development Academy

The Office of Academics is pleased to announce the recruitment and selection activities for Cohort 2 of the SAISD Leadership Development Academies. Five academies (Teacher Leader, Mentor Fellows, Academics Leadership, Aspiring Assistant Principal and Aspiring Principal) will run through the end of July 2021 through May 2022. Applications being accepted now through April 30.

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Read Superintendent Martinez's most recent staff letter [here](#)

This week's closing shot

Brackenridge wins College Cup

Brackenridge High School has been awarded the SAISD College Cup for having the highest college enrollment of all SAISD comprehensive high schools for last year's Class of 2020! While the rest of the country saw college enrollment rates decline last year, Brackenridge's college enrollment rate went up 9%! Kudos to these Mighty Eagles!

