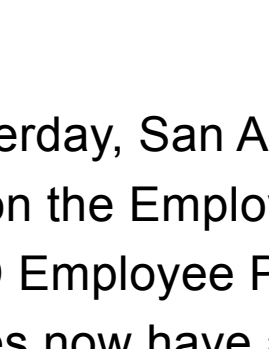


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Employee Portal

New SAISD website provides streamlined access to employee portal

Late yesterday, San Antonio ISD launched its redesigned website. Clicking on the Employee tab will take those in SAISD directly to the new mySAISD Employee Portal. With the recently launched portal, District employees now have a secure, one-stop-shop to collaborate and share information. The new portal is designed and hosted in the web-based collaborative platform Microsoft Sharepoint, which makes it easy for employees to sign in to the secure site from anywhere in the world.

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Tobin Center partnership provides unique opportunities in Fine Arts

In coordination with San Antonio ISD's expanded access to fine arts for students, the District is partnering with the Tobin Center for Performing Arts to integrate the arts into the classroom.

"The Tobin Center's Art Integration initiative is a great way for us to explore how to incorporate the art aspect of STEAM into our classrooms," said Sonya Cardenas, principal at Carvajal Elementary School, which opened this fall with expanded grades and a focus on science, technology, engineering, art and math.

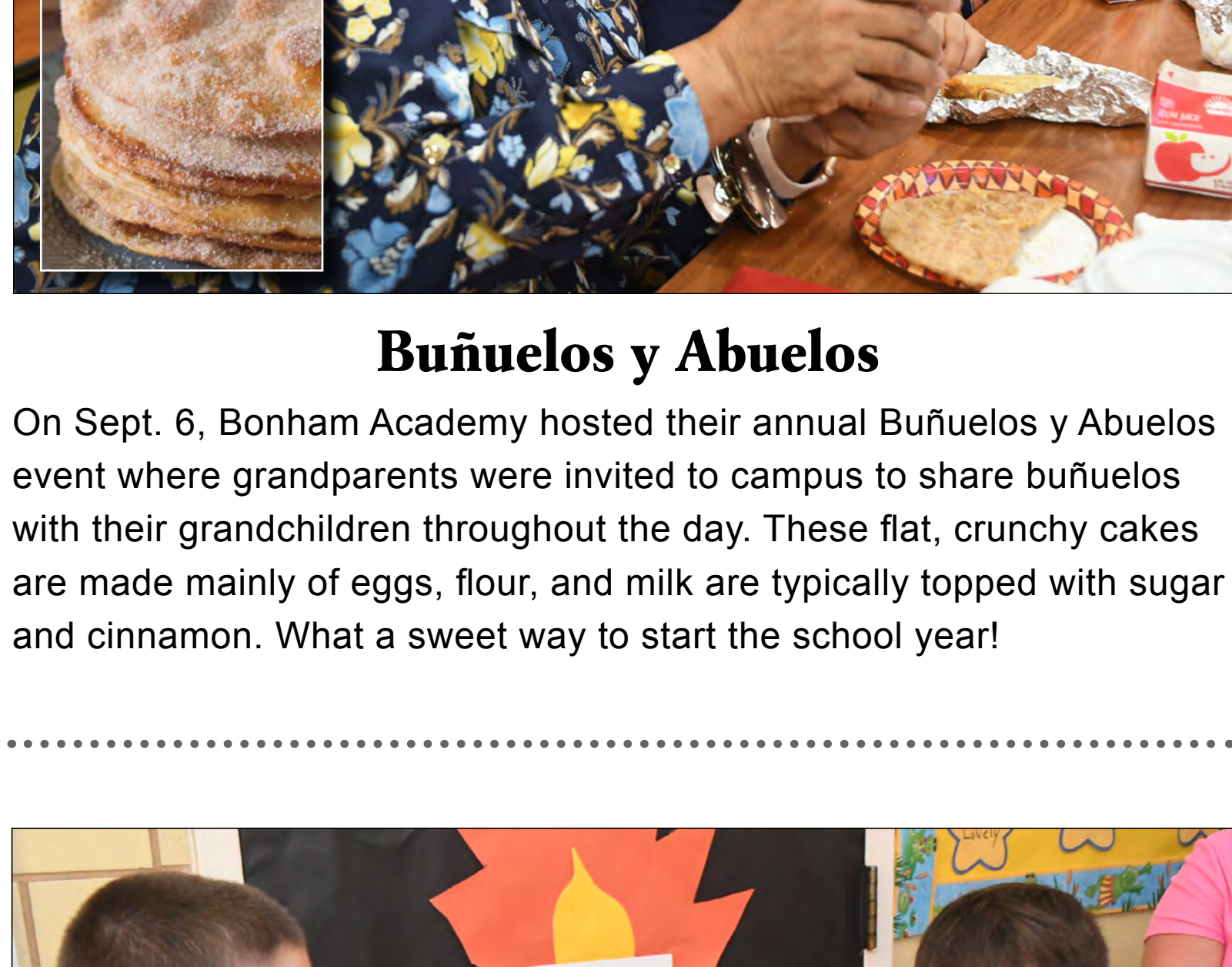
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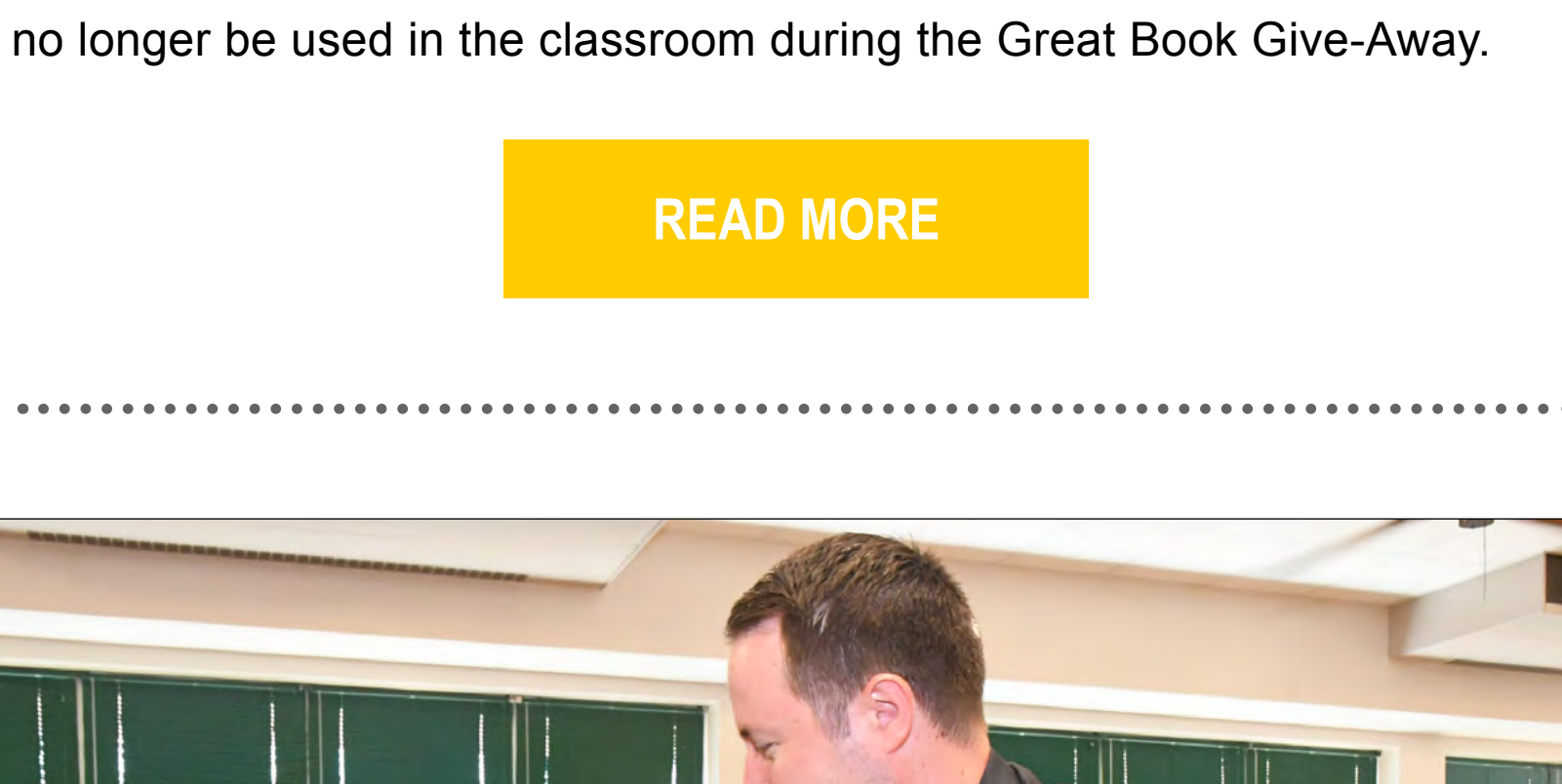
What can you do with a quarter these days? Buy a piece of bubblegum. Feed the laundry machine. Pay for a luggage cart at the airport. But how about using that quarter to learn about the history of your hometown? Thanks to the United States Mint's newest quarter, SAISD students had the chance to get a deeper look into one of San Antonio's greatest historical markers, the Missions.

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Buñuelos y Abuelos

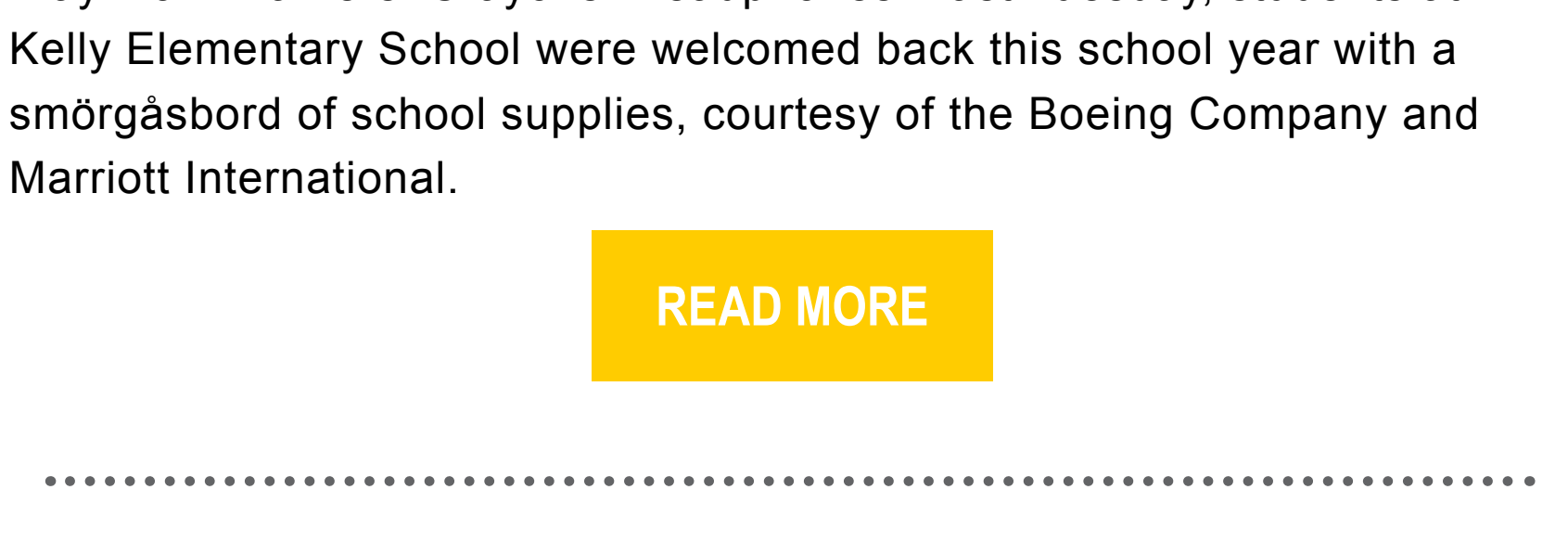
On Sept. 6, Bonham Academy hosted their annual Buñuelos y Abuelos event where grandparents were invited to campus to share buñuelos with their grandchildren throughout the day. These flat, crunchy cakes are made mainly of eggs, flour, and milk are typically topped with sugar and cinnamon. What a sweet way to start the school year!



The Great Book Give-Away

As the new school year kicks off, San Antonio ISD is incorporating new reading and language arts textbooks in grades K-8. To make space for all the new reading materials, schools will be giving away the books that will no longer be used in the classroom during the Great Book Give-Away.

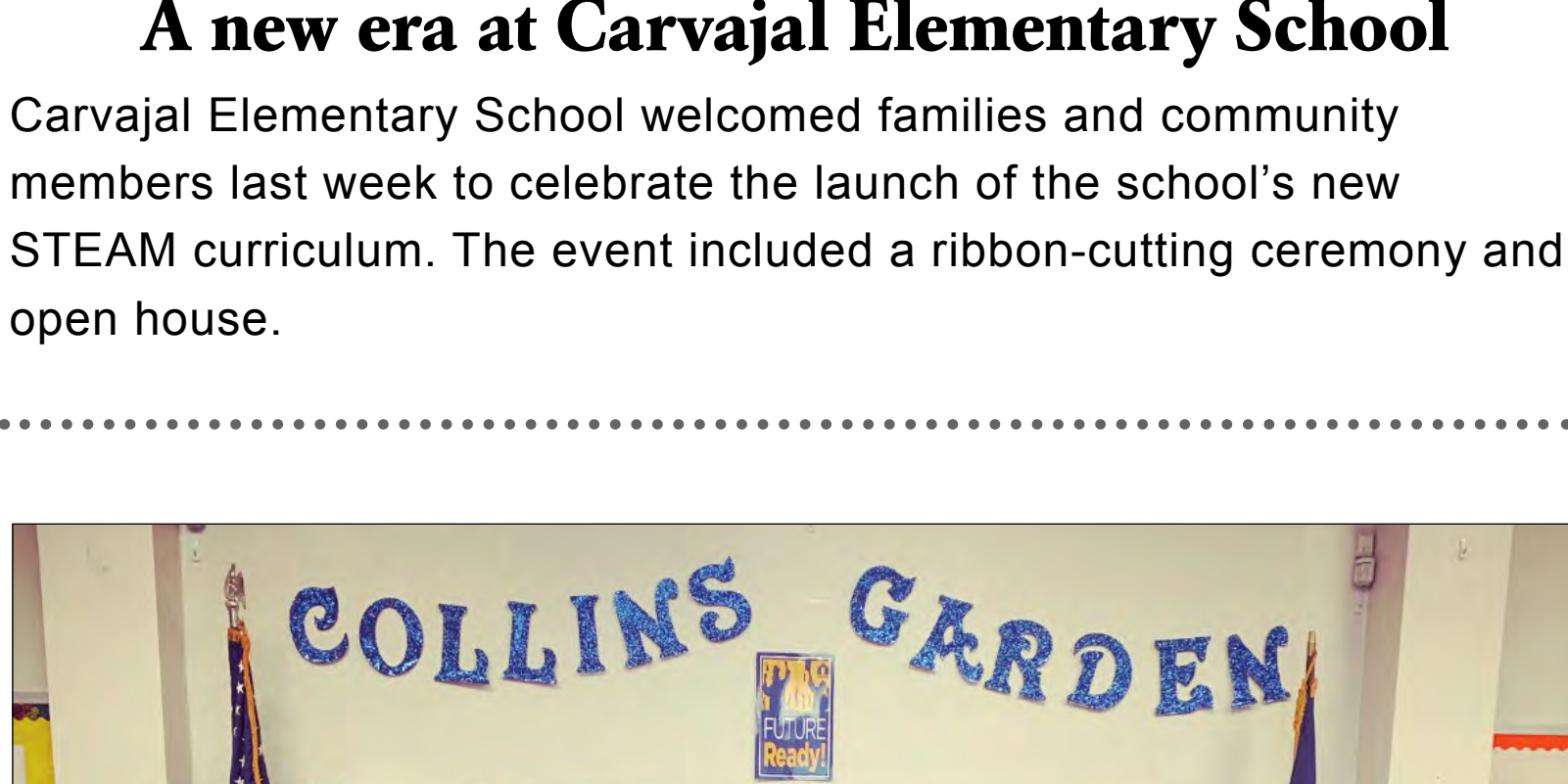
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Boeing, Marriott donate supplies to Kelly Elementary

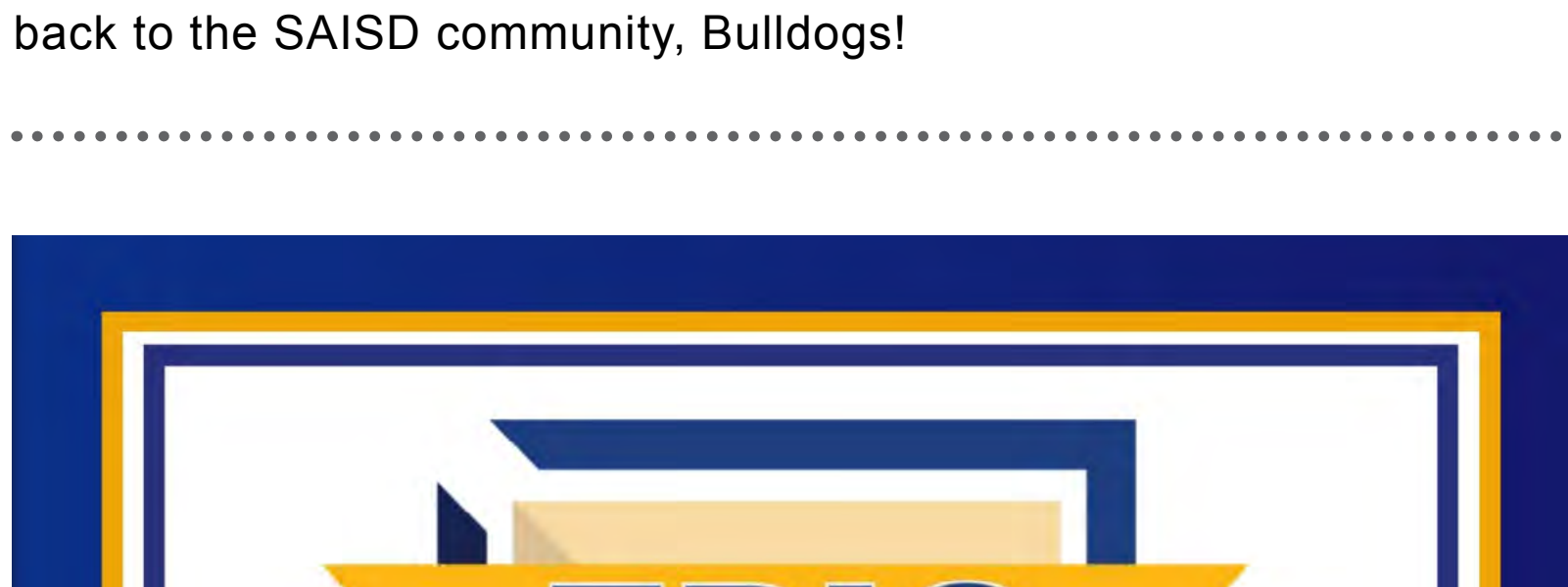
Play-Doh. Markers. Crayons. Headphones. Last Tuesday, students at Kelly Elementary School were welcomed back this school year with a smörgåsbord of school supplies, courtesy of the Boeing Company and Marriott International.

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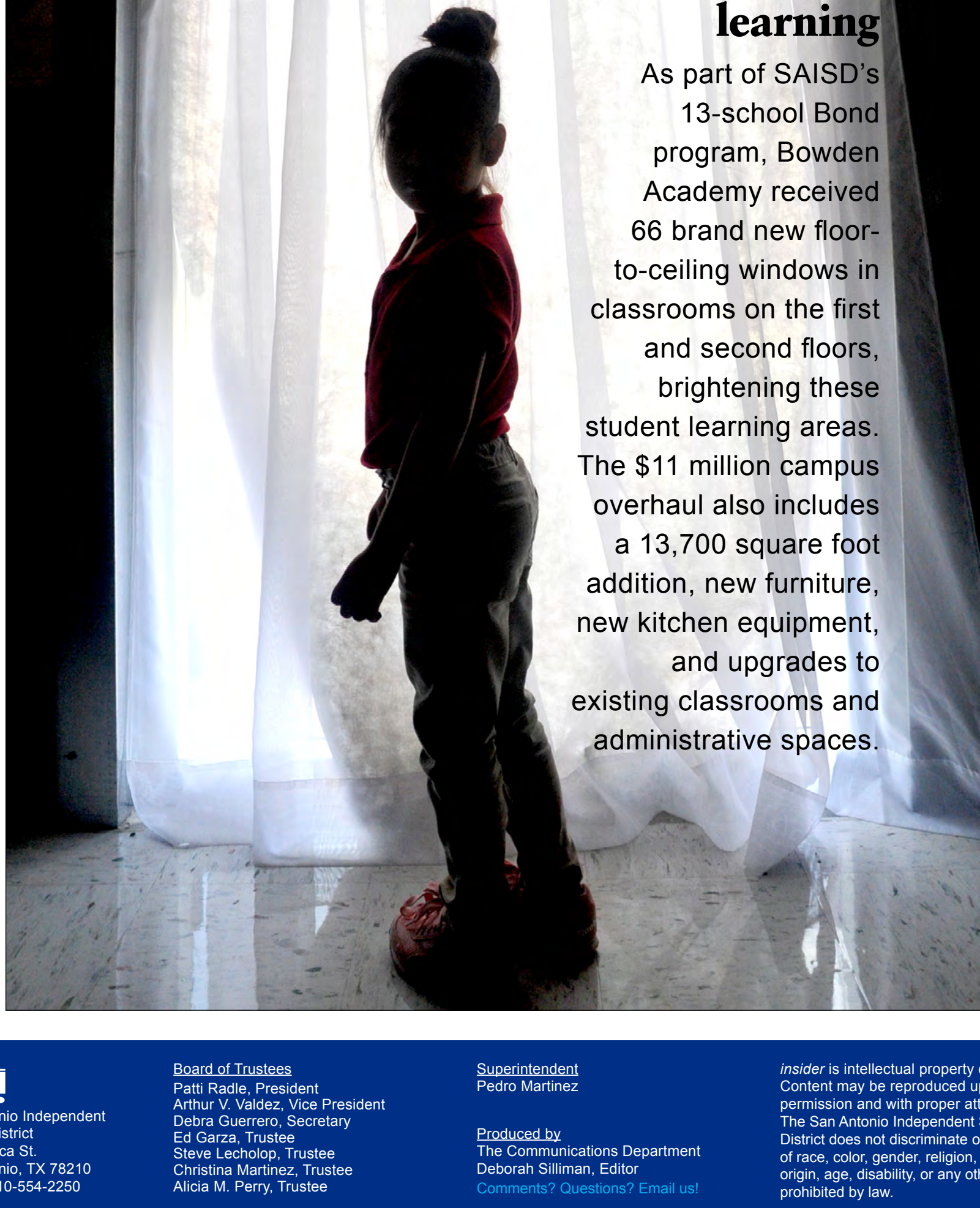
A new era at Carvajal Elementary School

Carvajal Elementary School welcomed families and community members last week to celebrate the launch of the school's new STEAM curriculum. The event included a ribbon-cutting ceremony and open house.



Team spirit at Burbank feeder schools

Last week, the Burbank football team brought a healthy dose of Bulldog pride to three elementary feeder schools: Briscoe, Hillcrest, and Collins Garden. These Burbank student athletes opened car doors, greeted children as they entered, walked students to their classes, and socialized with each campus community. Way to give back to the SAISD community, Bulldogs!



"Enlightened" learning

As part of SAISD's 13-school Bond program, Bowden Academy received 66 brand new floor-to-ceiling windows in classrooms on the first and second floors, brightening these student learning areas. The \$11 million campus overhaul also includes a 13,700 square foot addition, new furniture, new kitchen equipment, and upgrades to existing classrooms and administrative spaces.