

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
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**INFORMATION ITEM**

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**TOPIC:** Commendations – Recognition of Board Members, the Community, Staff, Schools and Students

### **Community**

The Board recognizes IEX Corp. for their outstanding support of RISD schools.

### **Staff**

RISD Executive Director of Secondary Curriculum **Bill Gammons** will be the keynote speaker at this year's *National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics conference* next month in Atlanta. NCSM has more than 6,000 members, and Mr. Gammons has been affiliated since 1997.

### **Students**

The following RISD fine arts students were named *2006-07 All State Performers*. They will be performing at the 2007 Texas Music Educators Association conference in Austin later this month.

From **Lake Highlands High School**: **Mallory Adams**, Choir; **Chris Atieno**, Band; **Justin Chumbley**, Choir; **Robin Davis**, Choir; **Torsten Knabe**, Band; **James Peters**, Band; **Camille Welch**, Choir; **Loraine Wells**, Choir.

From **Richardson High School**: **Kyle Johnson**, Band; **Christopher Peart**, Choir; **Donald Pratt**, Choir; **Jacob Smith**, Band.

From **Pearce High School**: **Haley Bates**, Band; **Rachel Boone**, Orchestra; **Everett Burns**, Band; **Gregory Cotten**, Choir; **Lindsay Fyffe**, Band; **Sierra Hayden**, Orchestra; **William Hughes**, Choir; **Stafford Hutchins**, Band; **Amy Lanford**, Choir; **Zachary Sutton**, Choir; **Merick Yamada**, Band.

From **Berkner High School**: **Stephanie Elliot**, Band; **Callie Haley**, Band; **Samuel Lee**, Orchestra; **David Ngo**, Band; **Chelsea Orr**, Band; **Calvin Owens**, Band; **Sharon Riemann**, Band; **Beau Yoder**, Band; **Wen-Cheng Yuan**, Orchestra.

Two **Lake Highlands Freshman Center** students successfully competed in the statewide *Japanese New Year's Card Contest* sponsored by the Japanese Teacher's Association of Texas. Cards included the animal of the New Year, greeting phrases in Japanese, and information of Japanese customs and traditions that demonstrate a knowledge of Japanese writing and culture.

**Zane Kimball** won a first place award, and **Terrika Davis** earned a second-place award.