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Hoover families,

You may have either received your student's ISASP results recently (state assessment for students in grades 3-5) or you may have heard reports about the results in the local news. If you didn't hear the news regarding Hoover and these results, I wanted to ensure you were aware of our celebrations.

Hoover was celebrated as one of five schools demonstrating growth through the entire district. In fact, our students at Hoover demonstrated three times the district average for growth in reading and in math. We are very proud of our amazing teachers here at Hoover, and our hardworking students who made such incredible growth.

We also started the year with celebrations in grades K-5 with our beginning of the year FAST reading data. This is the state assessment that monitors fluency proficiency for students in all grades. The percent of students reading at proficiency at the beginning of the year was up 13% from last fall. The hard work our staff has put in with early literacy skills and building wide lessons structured to the specific needs our students have is really making an impact for our kids.

In addition to the academic celebrations, we are continuing our work centered on transitioning to becoming the only Community Based School in the district. I am including a brief description of what that means for our families that was also distributed at conferences. Part of that work means our PTA has become our Parent Advisory Council, whose primary role will be having a voice in decision making here at the building based on feedback from all our families. If you would like to learn more about how you can become part of this work, or just to learn more about what it means for your family, please reach out to Lemi Tilahun, our Community School Coordinator, at 319-558-3807, or through email at ltilahun@crschools.us.

It is an exciting time here at Hoover, and amazing things are happening every day here. Thanks for your continued support, and please feel free to reach out with any questions at any time using my contact information below.

Take care,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clint Stone", written over a white background.

Clint Stone
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