

ComQuest Reports

ComQuest Academy Charter High School

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**THANKS FOR A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR GRADUATES!**



Joshua Armstrong*
Lizeth Carmona Velazquez*
Heaven Leigh Eldridge
Savanna Estes
Noe Flores
Daymon Lee
Chelsea Lewis
David Lindsey*
Mitzi Martinez*

Alex Rhodes*
Sarah Rhodes*
Lawson Shahan*
Alexandria Tanner*
Bailee Young-
McPherson*
Danique Waldrup

*Recommended
Diploma



Year in Review

- ◆ August 19, 2015-1st day of School! Students are excited to see their old friends and make new ones.
- ◆ October 9, 2015-Mrs. Foster speaks to the students about her experiences living overseas as an Air Force wife.
- ◆ October 16-17, 2015-North Houston BEST Robotics Competition is held at The Woodlands College Park High School. Joshua Armstrong designed the robot for entry. Heaven Leigh Eldridge and Alex Rhodes complete the oral presentation on Friday night. Heaven Leigh Eldridge and Lawson Shahan serve as the pit crew and drivers for the game portion of the competition. Mr. Payne taught the class.



- ◆ November 11, 2015-Veteran's Day Program featuring Starbuck Sykes. Mr. Sykes spoke about his experiences in the military and life after leaving the military.
- ◆ December 17, 2015-Winter Graduation at Champion Forest Baptist Church. Three students participated. Bailee Young-McPherson said the Pledge of Allegiance, Lawson Shahan said the prayer, and David Lindsey gave a short speech.

- ◆ December 18, 2015 and March 11, 2016-Fred Cuellar, the founder and president of Diamond Cutters International visited ComQuest. Students were captivated by his motivational stories.
- ◆ April 2016-Rain Days. School was canceled due to persistent flooding.



Year in Review

- ◆ May 2016-Mrs. Scott sends all of the students a letter about her scary experience. She congratulates the graduates and thanks everyone for their love and support.
- ◆ May 6, 2016-Dr. Briggs from Lone Star College-Tomball spoke to the students. Dr. Briggs showed the students that college is possible for any of them and that they should not hesitate to follow their dreams.
- ◆ May 24, 2016-Fun Day! Mrs. Foster coordinates an entire day of fun for the students. There was the game truck, moon bounce, soccer, volleyball, football, food, and other games.



- ◆ May 26, 2016-Career Day. Mrs. Foster and staff planned a Career Day for the students. Students heard talks from Staff Sergeants Linquist and Khan, Mr. and Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Willis, Mr. Curry, Mrs. Gray, LSC-Tomball representatives Dr. Briggs and Ms. Coponey, and Tomball Fire Department.



- ◆ Spring Graduation at Champion Forest Baptist Church. Four students participated. Daymon Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance and Lizeth Carmona recited a prayer in both



English and Spanish. Ms. Garza shared a short speech about each graduate before handing them their diploma.

- ◆ May 27, 2016-Last day of School!!

Things to remember:

- **ComQuest has a Website!**
www.ComQuestAcademy.org
- **All High School students need to have a job or a regular volunteer position.** Students must work 15-20 hours a week for full credit. Scheduled job visits happen every semester.
- **Students wishing to get tutorial help after school can stay Monday through Thursday afternoon, 1-3 P.M.** There will be no tutorials Friday.
- **Students CANNOT be absent more than 4 days.** If a student is absent more than four days in one semester he or she is in danger of losing credit for the semester and is subject to be withdrawn from the school. Three tardies equal one absence, so be on time to class. If you are late you will have to stay after school.
- **Students may wear jeans on Friday, however the dress must be appropriate.**
- **Class starts at 8 am. Promptness, bright smiling faces and a good attitude required.**
- **Don't forget to pay fees.** Report cards of those students who have not paid their fees will be held.

Mission Statement

Founded in the belief that all children can learn and that an education is paramount to a strong society, ComQuest Academy endeavors to offer Academic and Career/Technology Education opportunities to all student populations.

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Schoolability is Employability

ComQuest Teachers

ComQuest Academy likes to boast about our teachers and how special each and every one of them are. They are all dedicated, hardworking, and multi-talented individuals that make every-day memorable.

Teri Garza is the assistant principal at ComQuest and teaches Science and Math for CQ and Math for ALSA. Ms. Garza has a Bachelor's degree in Biology from the University of Dallas. In addition to teaching, Ms. Garza is known for her cakes and other delicious concoctions.

Emma Bacus teaches Social Studies, Science, elective classes and an elementary Science class. Mrs. Bacus also prepares testing materials for ALSA and CQ. Mrs. Bacus earned a Bachelor's degree in Education from the University of Santo Tomas in the Philippines. Mrs. Bacus' secret talent is making flowers out of a variety of materials.

Mr. Payne completed his second year as a teacher instructing English, Spanish, US History

and Robotics classes. Mr. Payne has Bachelor's degrees in Linguistics and Psychology from the University of Houston. He also has a Master's Degree in Theology from Baylor. Mr. Payne has three young children and is always in pursuit of the perfect cup of coffee.

Robert Ristroph is the CQ walking encyclopedia. He has a PhD in Mathematics from Louisiana State University along with a medical degree and law degree. Mr. Ristroph teaches Algebra II, Government, and foreign languages. He also assists in the math and science courses. Mr. Ristroph has eight adult children and comes up with the most interesting microwave recipes.

Last but not least, Mary L. Scott has enjoyed a long teaching career that began after earning a BS in Vocational Education from Madam C. J. Walker in Washington D.C. She also has a Masters Degree in Education from Prairie View A&M. Mrs. Scott taught Speech and Career Prep until she had to take some time off. She is no nonsense but so loved and missed!