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Dawson Middle Celebrating Fifth Anniversary *Special Ceremony To Honor School's Namesake, Legacy Of Learning*

The students and staff of Dawson Middle School are celebrating their school's fifth anniversary with a ceremony Tuesday, November 27. Activities will include student performances, speeches, a reception and special recognition of the family members of the school's namesake, George Dawson.

Dawson was a Dallas native who learned to read at the age of 98 and published a book shortly thereafter. Mr. Dawson was an inspiration to students of all ages and encouraged children and adults, alike, to be life-long learners. He passed away at the age of 103 but not before Carroll ISD honored him by giving its newest school his name. Dawson Middle School opened its doors to seventh and eighth grade students for the first time in the fall of 2002. Five years later, the campus has built its foundation upon the legacy of learning Mr. Dawson left behind.

First-year DMS administrators have been invited to attend the anniversary celebration along with representatives from the Dallas County Community College District's (DCCCD) Office of Educational Partnerships. This organization is affiliated with the African American Read-In and the Dawson Literacy Campaign. Just last spring, DMS Principal Trudie Jackson and CISD Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services Dr. Jan Morgan took a group of DMS students to participate in the African American Read-In that celebrates literacy during Black History Month.



Dawson Middle's anniversary celebration is from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on the campus of DMS, 400 S. Kimball Avenue in Southlake.

"Every day I wake up and I wonder what I might learn. You just never know."
~ George Dawson, (1898-2001) who learned to read at the age of 98

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