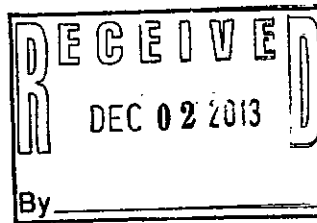


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Denton Independent School District
1307 N. Locust St., Denton, TX 76201

PROPOSED NAME FOR FACILITY

In accordance with policy CW(LOCAL), the Board has invited written nominations for the naming of a District facility. A period of 45 days will be given for the nominations.

Date of Call for Names: _____ Facility to be Named: High School #4

Expected Date of Board Action: _____

The following provisions will govern the naming or renaming of school facilities:

- Facilities will generally be named for deceased persons who have made a significant contribution to society as may be deemed appropriate by the Board, streets or geographic areas within the District, or historical sites.

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1. BUILDING AND/OR LOCATION PROPOSED FOR NAMING OR RENAMING

I propose that the High School #4
(Designation of building and/or location)

(Address)

2. PROPOSED NAME

be named for: Dr. W. E. Penley

Check all that apply:

- Deceased DISD staff member Historical Name
 Geographic Name Other (DISD Board Member)

3. COMPREHENSIVE BIOGRAPHICAL REPORT (with work history if DISD employee) or INFORMATIONAL REPORT if historic or geographic name:
(Attach extra sheets if needed.)

Dr. W.E. ("Elmo") Penley, (1924-2002), was a dentist and orthodontist who was active in
the Denton community for almost 50 years. He served on the DISD Board from 1967
to 1975. He was reared in Greer County, Oklahoma during the Dust Bowl era, and
graduated from Mangum, Okla. High School in 1942. He volunteered for and served in

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the Navy as a signalman in the Pacific Theater in World War II. After receiving an Hon-
orable Discharge, he used the GI Bill and attended the University of Oklahoma in 1946-
47. He transferred to Baylor University, where he majored in chemistry and
graduated in 1950. He then attended Baylor College of Dentistry in Dallas and received
a DDS degree in 1953. He and his wife, Nelwyn A. Penley, moved to Denton in August,
1953 and purchased a dental practice. From 1960-62, he trained in orthodontics at the
Univ. of Texas Dental Branch in Houston. Following graduation, he returned and
opened the first practice dedicated to orthodontics in Denton. He retired in 2001.
In addition to his service on the DISD Board, he was active in other community organ-
izations. He was a member of the Denton Kiwanis Club for 46 years, and served as its
President in 1969. He was a Board Member and Treasurer of the Denton Chamber of
Commerce. He was Vice-President of the Texas Dental Association and President of
the Denton County Dental Society. He helped establish the Denton YMCA and served
as a Board member. He treated residents of the Denton State School. As a dentist
and orthodontist, Dr. Penley treated several generations of Denton school students. He
took a strong interest in their plans for the future, and was a positive role model and
great encourager. He also supported continuing education opportunities in Denton.

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4. REASONS FOR NOMINATION

I believe the facility should be named for this (person) (place) (historical event) because:

Dr. Penley served on the DISD School Board from 1967 to 1975, a time a tremendous growth in DISD. He possessed a clear vision for the future needs of the district.

He was a strong supporter of educational opportunities for students of all

backgrounds and abilities, and believed that a sound education was the foundation

for a person's adult life. He was on the Board during the period when Denton's schools

were racially integrated and believed in fair treatment and equal opportunities for all

students. He was also involved in planning for the future growth of the district, and par-

ticipated in decisions to select and purchase property for new schools. During his ten

ure on the Board, Strickland Junior High was constructed and opened, and the old Den-

ton Junior High was remodeled and renamed Congress Junior High. He favored the

adoption of additional sports programs, such as soccer, so more students could par-

ticipate in athletics. He was a staunch believer in the value of vocational education programs.

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5. Name(s) of person(s) or supporting group(s) responsible for nomination:

J. Mark Penley (son), DHS Class of 1972

Beth Purser (daughter), DHS Class of 1974

Lt. Col., USMC (ret.) Richard F. Penley (son), DHS Class of 1977


(Signature)

November 22, 2013
(Date)

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This form must be submitted to the Superintendent prior to _____
(Date)