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Lindale ISD Alumni Association Honors Two People with Distinguished Awards

The Lindale ISD Alumni Association honored one Lindale High School graduate with the 2020 Distinguished Alumni Award, and one outstanding former Lindale ISD employee with the 2020 Distinguished Service Award. The recipients were awarded on September 25, at the homecoming pre-game festivities.

This year's Distinguished Alumni Award recipient is Dr. Wendell Hand. Hand was a graduate of Lindale High School, Class of 1970. While at Lindale High School, he was an excellent student and a talented athlete.

Hand attended Tyler Junior College and the University of Houston, College of Pharmacy from 1970-1975. He worked as a pharmacist from 1975-1980 before attending the North Texas Health Science Center. He and his wife moved back to Lindale in 1986 where they have both served and continue to serve Lindale as a "doctor team" at the Lindale Medical Center.

The Distinguished Alumni Award is given annually to a Lindale High School graduate whose achievements, strengths of character and citizenship serve as a model to inspire and challenge current students.

The Alumni Association also bestows a Distinguished Service Award for those who served the Lindale Independent School District. This year's recipient, Mr. Jack Johnson, played an important role at Lindale ISD. He was a coach and athletic coordinator at Lindale Junior High for many years. He was well liked and respected by everyone, including parents, administrators, teachers and students. He had an extremely positive influence on the students of Lindale for almost half a century.

Johnson attended and graduated from East Texas State University, now known as Texas A&M University at Commerce. This man's service, dedication and contribution to the Lindale Independent School District is outstanding.

The Distinguished Service Award is given to a former faculty member or other individual whose outstanding service greatly contributed to the success of the Lindale Independent School District.

"We are so pleased to be able to recognize this extraordinary group of former Lindale students and teachers," LISD Alumni Association President Mitzi Bjork said. "We received

several nominations for many deserving people and the awards committee felt it was time to honor these two with the distinguished awards. They have most certainly earned the recognition.”

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