

The J.K. Hileman Story

In conjunction with the January Knighting Ceremony for students of good character, J.K. Hileman Elementary recently honored its name sake, J.K. Hileman, who was born 100 years ago on January 11, 1910. James Ketler (Jake) Hileman, was married and the father of four children. He served in the Texas Legislature for two sessions and then came to Queen City in the 1940's with a dual role as the superintendent and the girls' basketball team coach. J.K. Hileman was a respected and beloved member of the community and school district, and he passed down his love of education to his children. Mr. Hileman's daughter, Mary Hileman Welch, a teacher of 25 years with 17 of those at Queen City ISD, was recognized at the ceremony.

A framed Hileman Family Coat of Arms was presented to the school by Sir Barry Owens in honor of the Hileman family.