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## Exciting Times as MISD's New Schools Named



Construction Underway at MISD's Newest Elementary.....Keenan Elementary

Montgomery ISD's May board meeting held special excitement as the names of three new schools and one existing campus were announced.

The name of the newest elementary school opening at the start of the 2017-2018 school year will be **Keenan Elementary**. The school site is located off of Keenan Cut-Off Road and the name follows the tradition of many MISD schools being named after their geographical location.

The name of the new junior high school (MISD's second junior high school) also opening at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year will be **Oak Hills Junior High**. The beautiful trees and rolling hills in the area make the school site a beautiful location. Furthermore, the Hills of Montgomery and Crown Oaks Subdivisions are both in the very near vicinity.

Montgomery's second high school is set to open at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year and will be named **Lake Creek High School**. The earliest Anglo-American settlement in Montgomery County was called the Lake Creek Settlement. The Lake Creek Settlement was part of Austin's Colony in the Mexican State of Coahuila y Tejas. After the Texas Revolution, the city of Montgomery was founded in the middle of Lake Creek Settlement in 1837. The Montgomery ISD boundary lines and that of the original Lake Creek Settlement are almost identical.

Montgomery's existing Montgomery Intermediate will undergo a conversion from a 5<sup>th</sup> grade only campus to a Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade campus for the 2017-2018 school year and will be renamed **Lincoln Elementary**. The building and site where Montgomery Intermediate sits today was originally known as Lincoln High School. Lincoln High School was an institution of learning for African-American students in Montgomery before segregation and the renaming provides homage to its history.

Montgomery ISD is excited about the upcoming school years with these new campuses joining the MISD family and wants to thank the community for all of their input in the naming process. Over 72 pages of suggestions for school names were submitted through a community survey and poured over by the School Naming Subcommittee.