



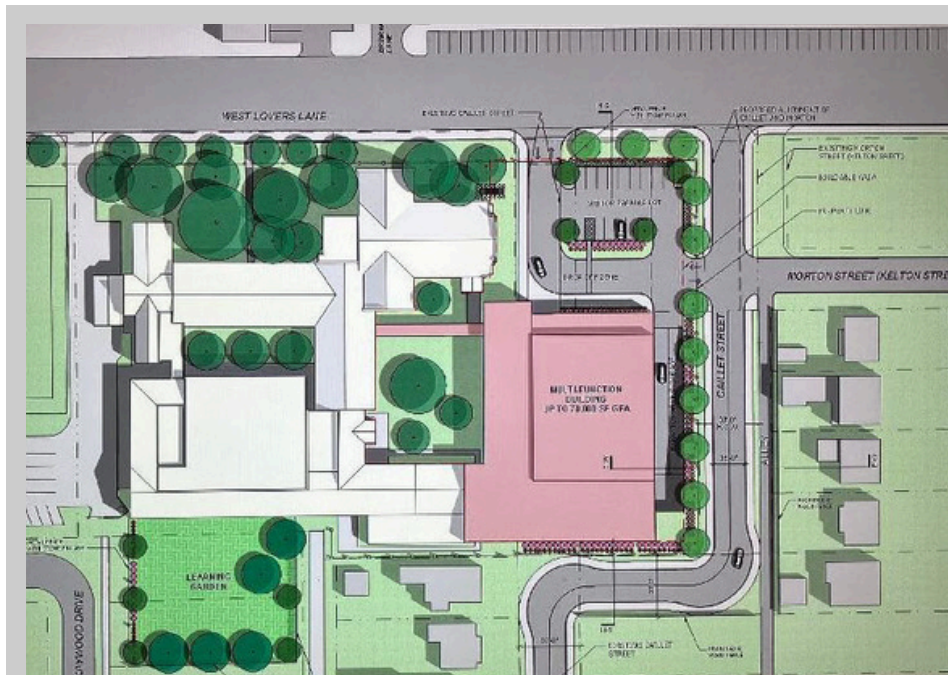
## PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ANNOUNCES EXPANSION PLANS WITH CALLIET ST REROUTING

At the Dec. 16 neighborhood meeting, Providence Christian School of Texas presented an expansion proposal that would include rerouting Calliet Street so it no longer serves as a direct through street to Lovers Lane. The expansion plan also takes out four duplex lots on Kaywood Street and one residential lot on Calliet Street.

As shown on the picture below provided by the school, Calliet Street would bend around the east side of the school property before intersecting with Morton Street/Kelton Street to allow access and exit to/from the neighborhood.

Providence is also proposing to put in a two-level, 200-space underground parking garage where their current east-side parking lot is located and then put a new school building (up to 70,000 sq. ft.) on top of that to add more classroom space and increase enrollment.

The school plans to file this zoning request with the city this month and Save Elm Thicket will continue to keep the neighborhood informed of next steps in the zoning process.



Calliet Street is shown in the plan to bend around the school property on the east side before intersecting with Morton Street/Kelton Street to allow entrance and exit from the neighborhood. The entrance to the underground parking garage will be on this side of the rerouted Calliet Street.

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# ETNP News: Message from the Publisher

Happy New Year ETNP Neighbors:

Here's hoping you and your family have had a safe and peaceful holiday season.

As one year ends and another begins, it is important that we at the ETNP News and Save Elm Thicket look back on what we did well in 2024 and what we need to improve upon in 2025. One of the things we did well this year was report non-conforming structures being built in Elm Thicket/Northpark. We want to thank every neighbor who emailed us addresses and asked questions.

Thanks to those neighbors, Save Elm Thicket kept the city busy checking on structures and finding their error in issuing bad permits. Thanks to those neighbors, builders who were not in compliance were issued a stop work order, had to submit new plans, or fix what they were building to comply with the new building standards. To those neighbors who stayed vigilant, thank you.

The other thing we did well this year was inform you on all the different ways the K. B. Polk Recreation Center is working to not only serve our neighborhood but also build community. The Ellum Thicket neighborhood is really lucky to have such a great rec center staff working for us. As an example, the Active Senior and Adult Program doubled in size this year. This past December, the center had the seniors build gingerbread houses with neighborhood children. Activities like that are priceless.



Then there are all the family oriented activities such as FrightFest and the Easter Egg Hunt. To the rec center staff, we say thank you.

As for what we can do better, that was easy. We need to do a better job writing stories on the history of the Ellum Thicket neighborhood. With the building permit debacle, we got away from writing about our neighborhood's history. That is something we plan to correct with help from our legacy residents. We will be putting out the call once again to please share your stories about growing up in Elm Thicket or providing us photos of how our neighborhood used to look.

Please know that we wish you all the very best in the coming year. Thank you for reading the ETNP News and for all of your emails. We enjoy hearing from our neighbors. You can always reach us at [etnpnews@gmail.com](mailto:etnpnews@gmail.com).

Your neighbor,  
Mimi Perez





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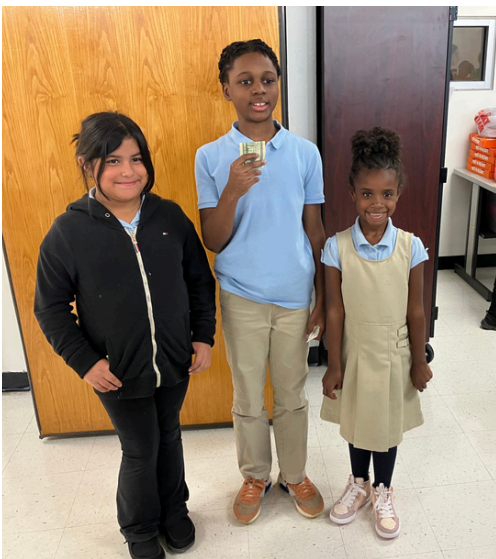
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Answer Key can be found at [www.save-etnp.org/etnp-news](http://www.save-etnp.org/etnp-news).



# Christmas Holiday Spirit with the K. B. Polk Seniors



Top Row: The K. B. Polk Seniors help the K. B. Polk students create gingerbread houses, villages, and trains at a Dec. 19 party at the Rec. Center. Middle Row (Left): The Best Gingerbread House, Village, and Train winners (left to right) Luisa Vargas, Ronnie Harrison, and Jayda Thompson. Middle Row Right and Bottom: The K. Polk Seniors celebrate a Christmas gift exchange, party games, and lunch at the Rec. Center on Dec. 20.