

**C.A. TATUM JR.
COMMUNITY LEADER**

Clarence Albert Tatum Jr. was born in Dallas in 1907, attended Dallas schools, and earned a physics degree from Southern Methodist University. He forged a lifelong connection with SMU, serving on its Board of Trustees and Board of Governors and receiving its Distinguished Alumnus Award.



After college, Tatum joined Dallas Power and Light, where some 25 years later, he was named president and chief executive officer. He held that post until he was named CEO of Texas Utilities Company in 1967. After retiring in 1975, he continued as a consultant until his death in 1986.

Tatum contributed in many ways to equality and cultural relations in Dallas, and his efforts were so valuable that he received the prestigious Linz Award for outstanding public service during the 1960s. Tatum led the fledgling Dallas Citizens Council in 1960, served on the Kennedy Citizens Memorial Committee, and was instrumental in desegregating Dallas schools.

In 1971, Tatum became the first volunteer leader of the newly formed North Texas Commission. As chairman, he gained agreement among civic leaders across north Texas to set up a regional marketing organization that became critical to the creation and marketing of Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport.

C.A. Tatum Jr. was active up to his death on Oct. 1, 1986, at the age of 79. He often said, "Our strength is the spirit and unity of the people of our region."

FEEDER PATTERN

Grades PreK-5	Grade 6	Grades 7-8	Grades 9-12
C.A. Tatum Jr. ES	Annie Webb Blanton ES, John W. Runyon ES, or Edward Titche ES	John B. Hood MS	W.W. Samuell HS

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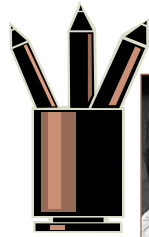
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Dallas, TX 75227

**C.A. TATUM JR.
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL**



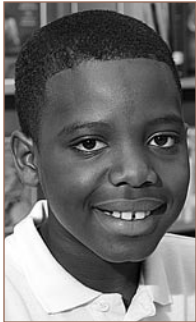
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TATUM JR. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



INTRODUCTION

The new C.A. Tatum Jr. Elementary School will serve about 800 students in Pleasant Grove. The school is located at the corner of North St. Augustine Road and Scyene Road. The school is receiving students from Annie Webb Blanton, John W. Runyon, and Edward Titche elementary schools.

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SPECIAL FEATURES

C.A. Tatum Jr. Elementary School is a two-story stucco, masonry, and brick facility that features **extra high ceilings in the public areas:** the entry, 400-seat auditorium, gymnasium, and cafeteria. The openness of the building welcomes the community, letting them know there is enough room for everyone to participate, and supports the school's significant parental involvement and volunteer programs.

The building has about 91,000 square feet and includes **37 core classrooms, a talented and gifted classroom, music room, art room, science room, media center, and two rooms designed for special needs students.** These two rooms contain their own restroom facilities and are **designed much like small apartments.**

As part of the school's parental involvement program, facilities are provided for **adult English-as-a-second language** and **citizenship classes** in conjunction with Adult Basic Education.

Outside, **one play area is designed for the school's youngest students and another is for the older students.** Additionally, **four basketball goals, a soccer field, and a softball diamond** give students and neighborhood children many opportunities for structured physical activity and play.

ACADEMIC FEATURES

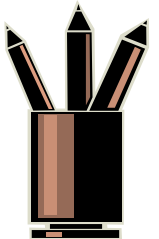
In addition to the core curriculum, students are given many opportunities to explore their creativity through a **special focus on fine arts**, rotations through the school's **science lab**, and use of **advanced technology in each classroom.**

The school offers **two prekindergarten classes**, where **students are prepared to enter elementary school ready to read and to learn.**

The school is using a **new approach to teaching math** through the MIND Institute's **Math+Music program.** The program combines **non-language-based computer math games** with **specialized piano training** to teach kindergarten through fifth-grade math standards, enhance problem-solving skills, and raise math scores on standardized tests.

The school also offers after-school and tutoring programs. Extracurricular activities include choir and student council.

Parents have the opportunity to meet and discuss issues with the school's principal during a **monthly coffee meeting.** **Practical parent classes** also are held monthly as well as **Muffins for Moms** and **Donuts for Dads.** Several **community and parent events** are planned, including an *I Love Math Luau*, a *Wild About Reading Night*, and a *Soaring Scientists Night.* To promote family dining, the school hosts Tatum Night at local restaurants.



Grade levels
Prekindergarten
through fifth grade

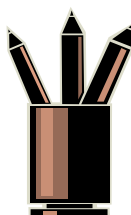
Enrollment
800 students

Size
91,000 square feet

**Number of
classrooms**
37

**Construction
cost**
\$12 million

Opened
August 2006



FACTS & FIGURES