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to earn all A's in all my classes, and have also earned several Highest Class Average awards throughout my high school years."

Elisabeth has been involved in the La Salle County Fair in so many other areas as well. The Flores family has been competing in the Wild Hog Cook-Off with their famous "Pan de Campo" for over twenty-five years. Much of her time and hard work was also directed towards working with her Science Fair projects.

"I have placed in the Science Fair Contest every single year since first grade with several Grand Champion, Reserve Grand Champion and Top Blue Awards. Last year I was also named 2018's Miss La Salle Runner-Up," Elisabeth proudly remarked.

This past January, Flores received her third Showmanship buckle at the Showmanship Clinic Prospect Show with Champ at her side.

"Seeing my daughter work so hard at teaching Champ showmanship is one of my



Then & Now: Flores as a sixth grader and now a senior competing at the LCJLS

proudest moments. She takes her time, has developed a kinship with her steer, and it shows," Luis Flores says. "Having her win this prestigious award is very important to us. Every buckle won reminds us just how hard she has worked to achieve her success."

Saving all of her livestock profits from her past showings for the last seven years, Elisabeth and her family are proud to know that all of her hard work and dedication have paid off. These funds will help with her tuition as she embarks on her next adventure after graduation.

"With graduation approaching, I am experiencing mixed feelings," Flores said. "I am happy and excited that I get to start a new chapter in my life, but I am extremely sad knowing that this is my last year of showing a steer and my last year of being involved in sports. I will miss my days at Cotulla High School so much.

"Being apart from my friends and family will be heart-breaking, but I know that it will all be for the best. I will be attending Texas A&M in San Antonio and will major in Kinesiology and Education. I hope to one day become a teacher and a coach where I can make a difference in the lives of young kids."

This will be Champ's first appearance at the La Salle County Fair Jr. Livestock Show and Elizabeth is ecstatic about showing him off.

Come on out to the La Salle County Fair Jr. Livestock show and see how hard these students have worked with the support from family, friends, and educators!



