



## School Notes

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### NISD School Notes, Feb. 8-13

#### **Byron Nelson, Northwest each honor 10 student-athletes signing to play collegiate sports**

Byron Nelson and Northwest high schools each honored 10 of their student-athletes signing letters of intent, signifying their commitment to continue both their academic and athletic careers at the next level.

From Northwest High School, two student-athletes signed from the baseball team. Cayde Ward signed with Seward County Community College, and Bryson Wrobel signed with Northwestern Oklahoma State University. Girls soccer was also represented by two student-athletes who will play collegiately. Joellen Hindman signed with Oklahoma Wesleyan University, and classmate Fernanda Soto signed with Texas A&M Texarkana.

The Northwest Texan football team saw six of its student-athlete signing letters of intent following the team's best season ever in the fall. Carson Hickman signed with Southern Nazarene University, Gavin Holmes signed with Baylor University, Caden McDonald signed with San Diego State University, Syrus Moore signed with Harding University, Emmanuel Ogunwolu signed with Angelo State University and Tanner Savoy signed with William Jewell University.

From Byron Nelson High School, three Bobcat football players signed letters of intent, with two – Tristan Allen and Pascal Mondombo – headed to Missouri Southern State University. Byron Nelson's third football signee, Tyler Millikin, signed his letter of intent with Midwestern State University. The school's boys soccer team was represented by Devon Sutton, who signed with the University of Tulsa.

Leading the Bobcats' signing ceremony with six student-athletes committing to collegiate academics and athletics was the school's girls soccer team. Kamryn Abbott signed with Louisiana State University – Alexandria, Chaney Brugman signed with Colorado School of Mines, Ansley Bunger signed with the University of Arkansas, Elise Davis signed with Oklahoma State University, Alexis Smith signed with the University of North Texas and Olenka Soko signed with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

To see photos from Byron Nelson's signing day ceremony, [click here](#). To see photos from Northwest's signing day ceremony, [click here](#).

PHOTO INCLUDED [Byron Nelson Signing Day.jpg]: Northwest High School student-athletes pose for a photo after signing letters of intent to continue their academic and athletic careers in college. From left: Gavin Holmes (football, Baylor), Emmanuel Ogunwolu (football, Angelo State), Caden McDonald (football, San Diego State), Joellen Hindman (soccer, Oklahoma Wesleyan), Fernanda Soto (soccer, Texas A&M Texarkana), Carson Hickman (football, Southern Nazarene), Cayde Ward (baseball, Seward County), Tanner Savoy (football, William Jewell), Syrus Moore (football, Harding) and Bryson Wrobel (baseball, Northwestern Oklahoma State).

PHOTO INCLUDED [Northwest Signing Day.jpg]: Byron Nelson's 10 student-athletes who signed letters of intent to play collegiate sports pose for a group photo. From left: Elise Davis (soccer, Oklahoma State), Chaney Brugman (soccer, Colorado School of Mines), Pascal Mondombo (football, Missouri Southern), Ansley Bunger (soccer, Arkansas), Tristan Allen (football, Missouri Southern), Alexis Smith (soccer, North Texas), Tyler Millikin (football, Midwestern State), Kamryn Abbott (soccer, Louisiana State Alexandria), Devon Sutton (soccer, Tulsa) and Olenka Soko (soccer, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute).

#### **District promoting healthy living, fighting heart disease with student-designed shirt**

Northwest ISD is on a non-stop journey to fight heart disease and promote healthy living, and that process will be celebrated Friday, Feb. 24, with the help of a student's design talents.

On Feb. 24, the district will promote heart disease awareness by wearing T-shirts designed by Beck Elementary fifth-grader Reagan Dee, a student in Ashley Foland's art class. Reagan won a districtwide contest for elementary students to create a design promoting heart disease awareness; she will be recognized at a coming school board meeting and receive a T-shirt of her own.

District staff and students may purchase T-shirts designed by Reagan for \$15 to wear in support of fighting heart disease. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the American Heart Association. All orders must be completed by 5 p.m. Feb. 15. Shirts will be delivered to each school's campus health coordinator for distribution from Feb. 20 to Feb. 23. To order a shirt, [click here](#). Sizes range from youth small to adult XXXL.

IMAGE INCLUDED [NISD Heart T-Shirt.jpg]: The winning design in Northwest ISD's districtwide elementary art competition, created by Beck Elementary fifth-grader Reagan Dee.

### **Eaton High School design receives top recognition in architecture competition**

Northwest ISD's Eaton High School received the "Caudill Class" recognition in the Texas Association of School Administrators' annual architecture competition, the top honor available for a school's design.

Eaton High School was one of just three facilities to receive the Caudill Class recognition in the annual Exhibit of School Architecture competition from TASA, along with Deer Park High School North Campus and San Jacinto College District's Maritime Technology and Training Center. The Caudill Class distinction is awarded annually by a 12-member jury composed of four school board members, four educational administrators, two representatives from the Texas Society of Architects and two representatives from the Association for Learning Environments.

This year, Caudill Class awardees were chosen from 21 projects that qualified for the distinction. For eligibility, facilities had to show superiority in the following categories: community, planning, transformation, design, value and sustainability.

Eaton High School opened during the 2015-16 academic year and is currently in its second year of operation. The 2017-18 academic year will mark the school's first full year with an entire four-year student body – freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors. The school, designed by Corgan Architects, houses two Northwest ISD academies: the Academy of Aeronautics & Aviation Sciences, and the Academy of Business Management & Entrepreneurship.

### **Student holiday scheduled for Feb. 20**

Monday, Feb. 20, will serve as a student holiday and staff development day. This day was scheduled as a bad weather make-up day, but inclement weather has not caused schools to close this year.

To view the full 2016-17 Northwest ISD academic calendar, [click here](#).

### **Next school board meeting taking place Feb. 13**

The Northwest ISD Board of Trustees will hold its next regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 13, in the Board Room at the NISD Administration Building, located at 2001 Texan Drive in Fort Worth.

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