



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, Aug. 10-30

Back-to-School Fair taking place Saturday at Pike

Northwest ISD and United Way of Denton County will host the fourth annual Northwest Back-to-School Fair from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Aug. 13, at Pike Middle School, located at 2200 Texan Drive in Fort Worth.

Enough donations were provided to give free school supplies to roughly 2,000 children in need at the event, where they can also receive books, resources, haircuts, eye exams, physicals, immunizations and more. Galderma, a Nestlé skincare company based in Fort Worth, recently donated 1,250 backpacks filled with supplies as part of the drive.

For more information about the event, please contact Phil Beckman, NISD Partners in Education specialist, by phone at 817-215-0172 or via email at pbeckman@nisdtx.org.

PHOTO INCLUDED: [Galderma Donation.jpg]: Employees of Galderma, a Nestlé skincare company based in Fort Worth, load backpacks filled with school supplies on a bus on Thursday, Aug. 4. Galderma employees donated 1,250 backpacks for Northwest ISD's annual Back-to-School Fair, which will take place Saturday, Aug. 13, at Pike Middle School.

Byron Nelson students competing in national career development event

The Byron Nelson High School FFA veterinary science team will compete in the 89th annual National FFA Convention & Expo in Indianapolis in October, pitting themselves against high schools from across the U.S.

Byron Nelson students representing their school in the event include Lauren Hartmann, Jennifer Powell, Kylie Scott, Madison Staab and Matea Tirado. Staff members advising the team include Tyler McCoy, Amanda Deal and Mark Goggins.

The National FFA Convention & Expo serves as a springboard for high school students to learn more about opportunities in agriculture and other related industries. Keynote speakers, workshops and competitions all help prepare students for their future endeavors.

Eaton hosting first fall play performances ever

Eaton High School will host its first non-musical play performance and its first fall performance ever this week, with performances of "The Crucible" scheduled for 7 p.m. Aug. 10, 12 and 13 as well as 2 p.m. Aug. 14.

"The Crucible" tells the story of the Salem Witch Trials in the 1690s as an allegory for the congressional McCarthy hearings on communism. Nick Kougias, Eaton theater director, chose the play for its inclusion in the school's sophomore English class, and is using it to help students better understand the play. To read more about his play choice, [click here](#).

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors, with gold card members receiving free admission. Eaton is located at 1350 Eagle Blvd. in Haslet.

PHOTO INCLUDED: [Eaton Crucible Play.jpg]: Eaton High School students rehearse "The Crucible" on Thursday, Aug. 4, in advance of their performances this week. The play will serve as Eaton's first fall performance ever as well as its first non-musical performance.

Reception for new superintendent on Aug. 30

A reception for community members to meet Dr. Ryder Warren, Northwest ISD's new superintendent of schools, will take place 4:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 30, in the district's administration building, located at 2001 Texan Drive in Fort Worth.

Dr. Warren began his role as superintendent on July 21 and comes to NISD from Midland ISD, where he was also superintendent. He was selected after a five-month search in which 40 applicants from 15 states were screened for the district's top leadership role.

Register for prekindergarten in Northwest ISD

Prekindergarten registration is available for NISD children who are four years old by Sept. 1, 2016, and who meet eligibility requirements set by the state of Texas. Appointments can be made at the following elementary schools: Roanoke, Hughes, Clara Love, Thompson, Peterson, Justin, Nance and Seven Hills. Additionally, Prairie View will offer bilingual prekindergarten. For more information about prekindergarten classes, requirements and registration, go to www.nisdtx.org/prek.

Board recognition photo

PHOTO INCLUDED: [0808 Recognition 01.jpg]: Members of the communications department receive recognition at the Aug. 8 Northwest ISD school board meeting for their recent National School Public Relations Association awards. From left: Mark Schluter, board president; Phil Beckman, Partners in Education specialist; Emily Conklin, communications director; Rachel Bobbitt, communications and multimedia specialist; Melissa Shawn, communications and web specialist; Jerry Cantu, communications and Partners in Education coordinator; and Dr. Ryder Warren, superintendent.

See additional photos and read the full board report by [clicking here](#).

School board meeting taking place Aug. 22

The Northwest ISD Board of Trustees will hold its next regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, in the Board Room at the NISD Administration Building, located at 2001 Texan Drive in Fort Worth.

NISD to launch new mobile app

In an effort to match the district's newly designed website, which premiered in July, Northwest ISD will launch a redesigned mobile application available on the iTunes Store and Google Play. The district is currently designing a new mobile application to feature news, events, lunch menus, access to grades and more. The enhanced mobile application will be available early this fall and provide seamless integration with the redesigned NISD website.

Plan ahead for the 2016-17 school year

The first day of school is Monday, Aug. 22. Get information about campus meet the teacher nights, school supplies and more at www.nisdtx.org/backtoschool.

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