



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, Nov. 16-Jan. 2

Application process for Northwest ISD Academies ends Friday

Incoming 2017-18 Northwest ISD freshmen interested in the district's academies program can now submit applications to apply for the facility of their choosing.

The application, available at academies.nisdtx.org, is open until Friday, Nov. 18. In it, students must fill out their general information – as well as parent or guardian information – and select the academy of their choosing. Each student must also complete a self-reflection evaluation and complete a 250-300-word essay explaining his or her college and career plans.

Eight academies are available for selection: Academy of Aeronautics & Aviation Sciences, Academy of Biomedical Sciences, Academy of Business Management & Entrepreneurship, Collegiate Academy, Academy of Cosmetology, Academy of Culinary Arts & Hospitality, Academy of Media Arts & Technology, and Academy of STEM. The Academy of Media Arts & Technology has three designated tracts for application: animation and video game design, graphic design and photography, and TV and film.

For more information on each academy, please visit academies.nisdtx.org.

Northwest ISD schools on Thanksgiving break Nov. 21-25

All Northwest ISD schools will be closed for Thanksgiving break from Monday, Nov. 21, to Friday, Nov. 25.

Students will return from the break and schools will operate on their normal schedules on Monday, Nov. 28. Winter break will follow three weeks later, from Monday, Dec. 19, to Monday, Jan. 2. The two days preceding the break – Thursday, Dec. 15, and Friday, Dec. 16 – will also serve as early-release days.

Northwest ISD's staff calendar largely mirrors the student calendar, though Nov. 21 and 22 as well as Jan. 2 are staff development days. The two November dates are flex days for staff who have available time to use.

For more information about the 2016-17 Northwest ISD academic calendar, [click here](#).

Northwest High School hosting signing day ceremony

Northwest High School will host a signing day ceremonies on Wednesday, Nov. 16, for its student-athletes who have accepted scholarships with universities to play collegiate sports.

Northwest Texans who will sign to play sports collegiately will do so at 11:12 a.m. Wednesday in their school's competition gym. Visitors interested in attending the ceremony must check in at the school's front office lobby.

For more information on the event, please contact Tammy Goetz, secretary to the executive director of athletics, via email at tgoetz@nisdtx.org or by phone at 817-698-1041.

Elementary schools begin Chromebook rollout

Northwest ISD elementary schools will all soon have classroom sets of Chromebooks, continuing the district's efforts of ensuring all students are future-ready learners.

Schluter Elementary School was the first primary-level Northwest ISD campus to receive classroom sets of Chromebooks, and every elementary school is scheduled to receive Chromebooks before the end of the current semester in December.

For more information on the integration of Chromebooks in elementary schools, [click here](#).

PHOTO INCLUDED [Elementary Chromebooks.jpg]: Schluter Elementary fourth-grader Blair Clark uses a Chromebook in her class. Chromebooks will arrive at all third- and fifth-grade classrooms in Northwest ISD elementary schools before the end of the current semester in December.

Community invited to final Deep Dish Discussions with superintendent

Northwest ISD and the Northwest ISD Council of PTAs will host the final event in their Deep Dish Discussions series with Superintendent Ryder Warren at Northwest High School on Dec. 6, where community members can learn about the current state and future of the school district.

The event follows two previous sessions – at Byron Nelson on Oct. 26 and Eaton on Nov. 2 – and allows community members to join Dr. Warren and district leaders for the inside scoop on Northwest ISD's academic future, growth projections and details on the Texas Legislature's upcoming session. Attendees can enjoy a dish of ice cream while they collaborate on issues facing public education and Northwest ISD.

The meeting will take place 6-7 p.m. in the Northwest High School student union. Community feedback from each meeting will be used to help Northwest ISD prepare for the future.

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PHOTO INCLUDED [Eaton Deep Dish Discussions.jpg]: Dr. Ryder Warren, superintendent of Northwest ISD, discusses the state of the district at Eaton High School on Wednesday, Nov. 2, as part of the Deep Dish Discussions series. The next event in the series will take place at Northwest High School on Tuesday, Dec. 6.

Registration for ninth annual Reindeer Romp run now open

The ninth annual Northwest ISD Reindeer Romp run benefiting district P.E. departments will take place Saturday, Dec. 10, and online registration is now open.

Runners can take part in either a 1-mile race at 8:30 a.m. or 5K race at 9 a.m. – or both at no additional charge – at Alliance Airport, located at 2221 Alliance Blvd. Registration now costs \$20 for students ages 4 to 18 and \$25 for adults. The event is sponsored by the Bell Helicopter Fort Worth Alliance Air Show and presented by the Highlands of Northlake.

Every runner who registers prior to race day will receive a T-shirt in his or her preferred size. T-shirts cannot be guaranteed for those who register at the event on race day.

To register or obtain more information, visit www.nisdreindeerromp.com.

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School board meeting taking place Dec. 12

The Northwest ISD Board of Trustees will hold its next regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12, in the Board Room at the NISD Administration Building, located at 2001 Texan Drive in Fort Worth.

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