



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, February 24 – March 19

NISD Officials Ask State to Re-Examine Accountability System

Northwest ISD officials have asked the State of Texas to re-examine the Texas accountability system and high-stakes, standardized testing. The entire resolution presented by the NISD Board of Trustees and Superintendent Karen G. Rue, Ed.D., is available on the district's website, www.nisdtx.org.

NISD Teacher Named Finalist for Instructional Technologist of the Year

Marcie Conrad, instructional technology support teacher, has been named a finalist for the Texas Computer Education Association (TCEA) Instructional Technologist of the Year award. This award recognizes exemplary personnel who work with one or more campuses in technology planning and curriculum integration. Conrad was recognized in Austin at a reception during the TCEA convention and exposition on February 7.

PHOTO CAPTION [Marcie_cropped.jpg]: Marcie Conrad has been named a finalist for the Texas Computer Education Association (TCEA) Instructional Technologist of the Year award. Conrad is an instructional technology support teacher for Northwest ISD.

NISD Athletes Qualify for State Meets

Nine NISD student athletes have qualified for state meets. Northwest High School athlete Vanessa Vaquiz will wrestle in the state meet this weekend. Byron Nelson High School athletes Nicole Worley and Stephen Gilliland will compete in the Girls and Boys 1 Meter Dive. Byron Nelson High School swim team members Hannah Cooper, Quinn Taylor, Mary Schwartz and Suzanne Reckmeyer will race in the 200 Yard Medley Relay and Victoria Dahan, Mary Schwartz, Hannah Reckmeyer and Suzanne Reckmeyer will compete in the 200 & 400 Yard Freestyle Relay.

PHOTO CAPTION [Vanessa_wrestling.jpg]: Northwest High School senior Vanessa Vaquiz will compete in the state wrestling tournament Friday, February 24 and Saturday, February 25 in Austin.

PHOTO CAPTION [stephen_dive.jpg]: Byron Nelson High School sophomore Stephen Gilliland will compete in the Boys 1 Meter Dive on Friday, February 24 and Saturday, February 25 in Austin.

PHOTO CAPTION [nicole_dive.jpg]: Byron Nelson High School junior Nicole Worley will compete in the Girls 1 Meter Dive on Friday, February 24 and Saturday, February 25 in Austin.

PHOTO CAPTION [girlsrelay.jpg]: Byron Nelson High School (from left to right) junior Mary Schwartz, junior Suzanne Reckmeyer, junior Quinn Taylor and sophomore Hanna Cooper will compete in the 200 Yard Medley Relay on Friday, February 24 and Saturday, February 25 in Austin.

PHOTO CAPTION [girlsrelay2.jpg]: Byron Nelson High School (from left to right) junior Suzanne Reckmeyer, freshman Hannah Reckmeyer, sophomore Victoria Dahan and junior Mary Schwartz will compete in the 200 & 400 Yard Freestyle Relay on Friday, February 24 and Saturday, February 25 in Austin.

Medlin Middle School Students Raise Funds for Leukemia

Medlin Middle School Destination Imagination team members Robin Drewery, Madi Savell, Milly Glueck, Lauren Harrison and Alyana Almenar donated a check for \$412.12 to patients with leukemia at Cook Children's Hospital. The money raised will go toward the Brown Box Fund which provides the patients with games and toys. This project has inspired some of the students to volunteer at the hospital on a regular basis.

PHOTO CAPTION [DI Brown Box.JPG]: Medlin Middle School Destination Imagination team members (from left to right) Robin Drewery, Madi Savell, Milly Glueck, Lauren Harrison and Alyana Almenar raised more than \$400 for patients with leukemia. The check was presented to Cook Children's Hospital.

Board of Trustee Meeting

A Northwest ISD School Board meeting will be held Monday, February 27 at 7 p.m. in the Board Room at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247).

BNHS to Host Talent Show

Byron Nelson High School will host a school-wide talent show on Tuesday, February 28 at 7 p.m. in the Byron Nelson High School Performing Arts Center (2775 Bobcat Boulevard, Trophy Club, 76262). Tickets are \$5.

PIE Seeks Volunteers for Northwest Reads

Join NISD for Dr. Seuss' birthday and the fourth annual Northwest Reads on March 2. The Northwest ISD Partners in Education (PIE) program is seeking volunteers to read at one of NISD's 16 elementary schools on Friday, March 2 from 9-10 a.m.

This event provides community members with an opportunity to inspire young NISD students to become lifelong readers. Volunteers are encouraged to talk with students about their profession and how they use and enjoy reading as adults. To volunteer, go to www.nisdtx.org/northwestreads.

TCWC and BNHS to Hold Taste and Talent Night

The Trophy Club Women's Club (TCWC) and Byron Nelson High School (BNHS) are co-hosting a Taste and Talent night on Saturday, March 3 at 6 p.m. The evening will consist of food, entertainment from BNHS students and local talent, art and a silent auction. Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door the night of the event. Proceeds will benefit the first graduating class at BNHS with scholarships and rewards.

Steele Accelerated High School to Host New Student/Parent Night

James M. Steele Accelerated High School will host a new student/parent night at 6 p.m. on Monday, March 5 (606 N. Walnut, Roanoke, 76262). An introduction to the campus as well as information about increased dual credit opportunities and the school's new cosmetology program will be provided. Students and counselors will offer tours of the campus and will be available to answer questions.

NISD to Host Annual Realtor Luncheon

Northwest ISD is encouraging real estate professionals to join NISD officials on March 8 for the annual Realtor's Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, 76177). Information on current demographic projections, plans for new schools and the award-winning programs in NISD will be shared. Space is limited. Call 817-215-0175 to reserve a seat.

NISD Will Hold Second Annual Techno Expo

NISD will host the second annual Techno Expo at Byron Nelson High School on Thursday, March 8 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. From animation and digital video to multimedia and website design, this event will showcase student use of technology in the classroom during a series of more than 250 breakout sessions. New this year, more than 20 teachers will present model lessons exhibiting integration of content and technology. Refreshments will be provided by the Culinary Arts and Hospitality Academy.

NISD to Host Movax Immunization Clinics

Northwest High School and Gene Pike Middle School will host Movax Immunization Clinics this spring. The cost is \$14 per child for one vaccine and \$25 for two or more. Please bring a copy of the child's shot records, and a parent or guardian should be present. For more information, go to <http://www.nisdtx.org/cms/lib/TX21000351/Centricity/Domain/1/MOVAX2012.pdf>.

NISD Closed for Spring Break

All Northwest ISD campuses and offices will be closed for spring break March 12-16. Classes will resume on Monday, March 19.