



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, June 12 – June 25

Media Note: NISD Communications Department/Administration Building Summer Hours

The Northwest ISD Administration Building will operate summer hours on Monday, June 10 through Thursday, August 9. The building will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The regular five-day work schedule will resume on Monday, August 12.

NISD Celebrates the Class of 2013

Parents, friends and faculty proudly cheered as more than 945 seniors walked across the stage at commencement ceremonies on June 11 at the University of North Texas Coliseum in Denton. Northwest High School graduated approximately 505 students and 446 graduated from Byron Nelson High School. James M. Steele Accelerated High School held its commencement ceremony honoring 15 graduates Thursday, June 6 at Northwest High School's Vernon Solomon Performing Arts Center. This year, NISD graduates earned \$15 million in scholarships.

PHOTO CAPTION [Grad_with_Edward.jpg] Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Edward Chevallier, Ed.D. congratulated James M. Steele Accelerated High School graduate Amanda Romero.

PHOTO CAPTION [NHS Sal.jpg]: Northwest High School salutatorian Amanda Walker addresses the crowd during the commencement ceremony on June 11.

PHOTO CAPTION [BNHS Val and Sal.jpg]: Byron Nelson High School valedictorian Morgan Schmidt (left) and salutatorian Jenna Erickson (right) pose for a picture during the commencement ceremony on June 11.

NISD to Loan Portables to West ISD

Northwest ISD will provide five portable buildings to the West Independent School District. "Our hearts go out to the entire West community - the students, the staff and the parents," said NISD Superintendent Karen G. Rue, Ed.D. "We stand united as a support system of educators, and we want to be able to help in any way we can." The portables will be available for West ISD to use for the next two years while they restore and repair the damage caused to campuses from a fertilizer explosion.

NISD Seeks Feedback to Rename Center

The NISD Board of Trustees and administration invites the community to submit nominations to rename the Agricultural Sciences Learning Center. An electronic nomination form is available on the district's website at www.nisdtx.org/schoolnames, or a hard copy may be requested by calling 817-215-0171. Nominations received through June 14 will be reviewed by a naming selection committee and recommended to the Board at the June 25 meeting.

Enrollment Online Available for New Students

Enrollment Online is now available for students new to Northwest ISD. In order to access the online registration feature, parents of students currently enrolled in the district must have a Home Access Center (HAC) account. Access to the HAC requires an internet connection and a confidential username and password issued to the parent by the school. If you are unsure of your HAC login, you may contact your child's campus. For more information, go to www.nisdtx.org/enrollment. Parents of returning students can begin the registration process on August 1. This will replace the back-to-school packets issued on the first day of school.

Steele Accelerated High School Opens Enrollment to Students Across the Metroplex

Northwest ISD is opening the enrollment for James M. Steele Accelerated High School to students across the metroplex. Steele Accelerated High School provides an avenue for students to accelerate their studies. Thanks to a partnership with North Texas Community College, students can take expanded dual credit classes. Steele is home to the district's fifth career academy, The Cosmetology Academy. Shears of Steele will debut in August, providing a year of state-mandated training for cosmetology students prior to opening for business in 2014. Since opening its doors in 2010, every Steele Accelerated High School graduate is either employed, serving in the military or enrolled in college. To submit an application, go to www.nisdtx.org/sahs. Applications are due by July 24. For more information, contact 817-698-5800.

Northwest ISD Summer School Opportunities

Northwest ISD offers a wide variety of summer school and sports camps and enrichment classes during the summer. The following are a list of photo opportunities for the week of June 17-21:

- ***TechnoCamp***
 TechnoCamp offers students the opportunity to challenge their creativity using the Lego Education robotics program. Students will learn to design, program and control fully-functional Lego models and use software to test and modify sequences of instruction for robotic behaviors.
 June 17-21, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 1-5)
 Tidwell Middle School (3937 Haslet-Roanoke, Roanoke, 76262)
- ***Summer Science Blast Off***
 Students are exposed to hands-on, inquiry-based, student driven activities in chemistry, earth science, life science, forensics, physics and biology with an emphasis on measurement, inquiry and critical thinking skills.
 June 17-21, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. (grades 2-5)
 W.R. Hatfield Elementary School (2051 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247)
- ***Broadway Bound***
 This course will present basic principles of musical theatre production, acting, singing and dancing, as well as behind the scenes elements. Students will participate in auditions, learn dialogue, songs and dances, paint the set and experience the process of producing a short musical. At the end of the week, students will perform the production for an audience.
 June 17-21, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. (grades 3-5)
 Carl E. Schluter Elementary School (1220 Mesa Crest Drive, Haslet, 76052)
- ***Make it Big, Make it Small***
 Let the summer begin by experimenting with shape, scale and color in both paint and clay. Students will find inspiration from books, nature and imaginations. Seize the clay!
 June 17-21, 8 a.m. – noon (grades 1-4)
 J. Lyndal Hughes Elementary School (13824 Lost Spurs Road, Roanoke, 76262)
- ***Byron Nelson High School Girls Basketball***
 June 17-20, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 3-9)
 Byron Nelson High School competition gymnasium

- ***Byron Nelson High School Baseball***
June 17-20, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 3-6)
June 17-20, 1– 4 p.m. (grades 7-9)
Byron Nelson High School baseball fields
- ***Northwest High School Softball***
June 17-20, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 3-9)
Northwest High School softball fields
- ***Northwest High School Boys Soccer***
June 17-20, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 3-9)
Texan Stadium
- ***Northwest High School Co-Ed Tennis***
June 17-20, 8 a.m. – 11 a.m. (grades 3-9)
Northwest High School Tennis Center

NISD School Board Meeting

A Northwest ISD School Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 25 at 7 p.m. in the Northwest ISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247). There will be no meetings in July.

Volunteers Encouraged to Complete NISD Background Check Online

Parents and other volunteers who plan to work with children in NISD schools must have passed a criminal background check prior to volunteering. As a convenience, the volunteer background check form is available online and can be completed before the rush of the new school year.

Go to www.nisdtx.org/volunteercheck to complete your background check and be approved to volunteer. Volunteers are a highly valued group of individuals within Northwest ISD, and the district appreciates the contribution of time and effort of the dedicated volunteers.

Partners in Education Stuff The Bus School Supply Drive Underway

Northwest ISD Partners in Education (PIE) invites the community to donate to the NISD Partners in Education Stuff The Bus school supply drive for children and teens to ensure all NISD students have the tools they need for school success. PIE is asking community members to host school supply drives at their businesses and places of worship, or donate school supplies at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247). A Northwest ISD school bus will travel to local businesses and churches to collect donations on Friday, July 19. To make a donation, learn how to hold a drive or volunteer to help, visit nisdtx.org/pie or call 817-215-0172.

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