



## School Notes

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### NISD School Notes, August 16 – August 28

#### **Northwest ISD School Board Calls \$255 Million Bond Election**

At the August 13 school board meeting, the NISD Board of Trustees adopted the recommendation of the Long-Range Planning Committee, calling for a \$255 million capital bond referendum. As developed by the committee, this bond is intended to address the district's continuing student population growth, which is projected to increase by an additional 5,800 students by the 2017-2018 school year. The \$255 million bond referendum would provide facilities and programs for an additional 4,000 students (including construction of a third comprehensive high school and the sixth NISD middle school), updates to technology, updates to safety and security, building additions to existing schools, program enhancements and classroom space for math, science and environmental studies, and major component replacements.

Northwest ISD currently operates 27 separate campuses, spanning three counties (Denton, Tarrant and Wise) and 14 municipalities across 234 square miles. Election day for the Northwest ISD bond election is November 6, with early voting October 22 to November 2. To register to vote in the upcoming November election, go to [www.votexas.org/register\\_to\\_vote.html](http://www.votexas.org/register_to_vote.html). Voter registration must be processed at least 30 days prior to the election.

#### **NISD Welcomes New Teachers and Staff**

Northwest ISD greeted approximately 230 new teachers during the New Teacher Academy this week. Teachers new to NISD spent the week in a series of professional development trainings, a luncheon provided by the Northwest ISD Education Foundation and visiting with mentor teachers.

PHOTO CAPTION [newteacher\_lunch]: Chisholm Trail Middle School Principal Todd Rogers (second from left) is pictured with his new teachers at the NISD New Teacher Luncheon August 13.

#### **Justin Elementary PTA Receives \$12,000 Grant from CoServ Charitable Foundation**

The CoServ Charitable Foundation awarded a \$12,000 grant to the Justin Elementary PTA to provide snack sacks for 100 students each weekend during the 2012-2013 school year. Justin Elementary was presented a check at the August 13 school board meeting.

PHOTO CAPTION [coserv\_justin]: The Justin Elementary PTA was awarded a \$12,000 check from CoServ Charitable Foundation to assist in providing snack sacks for students during the 2012-2013 school year. Holding the check in the front row is NISD Board President Mel Fuller, with (left to right) Mina Field, Dr. Harold Field, Justin Elementary PTA President Selina Gourdon. In the back row (left to right) is Justin Elementary School Principal Lisa Ransleben, Justin Elementary PTA Treasurer Michelle Barthelemy, CoServ Charitable Foundation Executive Director Dennis Engelke, Curtis Talley, and NISD Superintendent Karen G. Rue, Ed.D.

#### **NISD Spirit Shop Sale**

The NISD Spirit Shop sale will take place Friday, August 17 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The shop has items such as t-shirts, hats, and trinkets for both Northwest and Byron Nelson High Schools. On Friday, purchase one item and get the second item half off. The NISD Spirit Shop is located at the NISD Stadium (1937 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247). If you have questions, please call the athletic office at 817-698-1041.

#### **New Student Registration and Schedule Pick-Up Continues this Week**

All students new to Northwest ISD are asked to register at the school they will be attending and will need to bring the following demographic information:

- An accurate home address and telephone number
- The work telephone number for both parents (if applicable)

- Student's social security number and place of birth
- Name and phone number of a person, other than a parent, to notify in case of an emergency
- Birth certificate
- A copy of child's records from the school most recently attended
- Last report card (if available)
- Immunization records
- Proof of residency
- Parent/guardian's driver license

For information regarding specific registration dates and back to school events, visit [www.nisdtx.org/backtoschool](http://www.nisdtx.org/backtoschool).

### **NISD Board of Trustee Meeting**

The next Northwest ISD school board meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 27. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, 76177).

### **First Day of School**

The first day of school in Northwest ISD is Tuesday, August 28. NISD will open its fifth middle school campus, Truett Wilson Middle School, in the Sendera Ranch neighborhood this year.

### **No Shots, No School**

State law requires students attending public schools to have up-to-date immunizations. As a convenience to families, Northwest ISD is hosting Movax Immunization Clinics during the month of August. The cost per child is \$14 for one vaccine and \$25 for two or more. Children need to bring current shot records, and a parent/guardian must be present. For a list of dates, times and locations, go to [www.nisdtx.org](http://www.nisdtx.org).

### **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](http://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.

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