



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, September 6 – September 20

NISD School Board Selected as a Finalist for Outstanding Board

The 2011-2012 Northwest ISD Board of Trustees is one of five school boards in the state selected as an Honor School Board in the Texas Association of School Administrators' (TASA) annual School Board Awards Program. Since 1971, this program has recognized outstanding school boards in Texas for their commitment to students and their communities. The five finalists will be interviewed at the TASA/Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) Convention September 28-30 in Austin where one school board will be chosen as the 2012 Outstanding School Board.

Are You Registered to Vote?

Following the recommendation of the Long-Range Planning Committee, the Northwest ISD Board of Trustees called for a \$255 million capital bond referendum. As one of the fastest growing school district in the state, the bond was called to address the district's continuing student population growth, which is expected to increase by 35 percent in the next five years. Election Day is November 6 and early voting begins October 22. To register to vote in the upcoming November election, go to www.votexas.org/register_to_vote.html. Voter registration must be processed at least 30 days prior to the election. For a look at what the bond referendum would provide, and additional information about tax rates and voter registration, go to www.nisdtx.org/bond2012.

Start Your Engines! 3 NISD Elementary Schools Partner with Texas Motor Speedway for Reading Challenge

Students from Clara Love, Justin and W.R. Hatfield elementary schools have teamed up with Texas Motor Speedway for an incentive-based reading challenge. The competition started with a pep rally among the three schools, parents, community members and Texas Motor Speedway on August 31 at the NISD Stadium. Students from each campus are split into two divisions – kindergarten through second-grade and third through fifth-grade. Each division will compete to see who can read the most books during the school year. The two winning classrooms will be announced in the spring and will receive four tickets to the April Texas 500 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Race.

PHOTO CAPTION: [speedtoread]: Clara Love Elementary School Principal Julie Nerby and fourth-grader Emma Schwartz share the success of the Texas Motor Speedway Speeding to Read challenge with nearly 1,500 elementary students at the kickoff event August 31. W.R. Hatfield and Justin elementary schools will also compete in this year-long reading contest.

Live Broadcasts of NISD Football Games

Cheer on your Northwest High School Texans and Byron Nelson High School Bobcats from anywhere in the world on the Sportsgram Network. This season, all NISD football games will be broadcast live at www.sportsgram.net. The broadcasts can be heard on mobile devices, iPads, computers or laptops.

September NISD Board of Trustee Meetings

The September Northwest ISD school board meetings are scheduled for Monday, September 10 and Monday, September 24. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, 76177).

NISD High School Students Pay Tribute on 9/11

Approximately 5,000 students from Byron Nelson High School, James M. Steele Accelerated High School and Northwest high schools will pay tribute to local heroes with a 9/11 recognition ceremony at Texas Motor Speedway on Tuesday, September 11 at 10 a.m. Local officials will be honored and recognized by students in a victory walk. Performances include student representatives, cheerleaders, band, drill team and a surprise guest appearance from a NASCAR driver.

Schluter Elementary Kicks Off Boot Camp with Crossfit Kids

Last year, Carl E. Schluter Elementary School received a \$4,000 grant from Fuel Up to Play 60 to implement healthy eating and physical activity. The money is being used to start a Boot Camp which will begin for third through fifth-grade students on Tuesday, September 18 at 3 p.m. in the Schluter Elementary School gymnasium (440 Wishbone Lane, Fort Worth, 76052). The Crossfit Kids Boot Camp will be led by the local organization, Crossfit 817. During the camp, students will use Wii gaming systems for numerous physical fitness games and activities.

Unite for Futures Rally in NISD

The Northwest ISD Partners in Education program is offering an opportunity for organizations to learn how to become more involved in the school district. The Unite for Futures Rally will be held on Thursday, September 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247). The Partners in Education program will share ways to partner with the school district to ensure students have the resources they need to be successful in a global society. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to 817-215-0175. Space is limited.

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