



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, October 18 – November 26

Early Voting Begins October 22

Early voting for the November election is October 22 through November 2 with Election Day on November 6. Early voting and Election Day polling locations can be found on the Northwest ISD Bond 2012 website (www.nisdx.org/bond2012). On Election Day, voters must vote at the polling location designated for their precinct. During early voting, residents may vote at any polling location in the county where they reside.

The Northwest ISD Bond Referendum will be placed in different locations on the election ballot depending on the county. Sample ballots can be viewed on the Northwest ISD Bond Election webpage. The website also contains an overview of projects, a review of past bond elections, a gallery of photos and videos and specific details on the impact for student's school and feeder zones.

Northwest ISD Superintendent Selected as Top 50 Innovators in Education

Northwest ISD Superintendent of Schools Karen G. Rue, Ed.D. has been nominated as one of the Top 50 Innovators in Education. Superintendent Rue will be added to the Center for Digital Education's *Converge* Yearbook. *Converge* recognizes Rue for her emphasis on using technology in the classroom. Under her leadership, Northwest ISD has standardized classroom technology to include mounted projectors, document cameras, wireless chalkboards and wireless access. Northwest ISD teachers use laptops with docking stations, and for the fourth consecutive year secondary students have been issued netbook computers.

NHS Teacher Named Recipient of the 2012 Outstanding Teaching of the Humanities Award

Northwest High School government teacher Charles Cooper was presented a plaque and \$5,000 from the Humanities Texas organization for his exemplary contributions in teaching, curriculum development and extracurricular programming. Out of the nearly 350 statewide nominations, Cooper was selected as one of 13 to receive the 2012 Outstanding Teaching of the Humanities Award. In addition, Northwest High School Principal Jason Childress was presented a \$500 check designated for instructional materials.

PHOTO CAPTION: Northwest High School government teacher Charles Cooper was presented a plaque and a \$5,000 cash award for receiving the 2012 Outstanding Teaching of Humanities Award. (Pictured left to right: Joy Ann Havran, Humanities Texas board member, Liz James, coordinator of educational programs at Humanities Texas, Chandler Cochran, field representative for State Senator Jane Nelson, Charles Cooper, Northwest High School teacher and Jason Childress, Northwest High School principal)

Northwest ISD Hosted Annual Gold Card Luncheon

Northwest ISD hosted more than 185 senior citizens at the annual Gold Card Luncheon on October 16. The NISD Gold Card program allows individuals 65 years of age or older living in the district to receive free entry into district-sponsored events, performances and athletic competitions. For more information about the Gold Card membership in Northwest ISD, call 817-215-0175.

PHOTO CAPTION [goldcard2012]: NISD Superintendent Karen G. Rue, Ed.D. greets NISD Gold Card member and long-time Northwest ISD resident Roy Mills and his son Greg at the annual Gold Card Luncheon October 16.

NHS to Host Fall Craft Show

The Northwest High School Baseball Booster Club is holding a Fall Craft Show inside the Northwest High School cafeteria (2301 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247) Saturday, October 20 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission requires one canned food item which will help benefit Communities in Schools.

October School Board Meeting

The next Northwest ISD school board meeting is October 22. School board meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the NISD Administration Building Board Room (2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, 76177).

Northwest ISD to Host Official Dedication for Truett Wilson Middle School

The Northwest ISD Board of Trustees, school administrators and the Truett Wilson Middle School staff invite the community to celebrate the official dedication of the district's fifth middle school on Thursday, November 8 at 7 p.m. (14250 Sendera Ranch Blvd, Haslet, 76052).

Bobcat Dazzlers to Host Holiday Kick-Off Bazaar

The Byron Nelson High School Bobcat Dazzlers will host the annual Holiday Kick-Off Bazaar on Saturday, November 10 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information or to be a vendor, go to www.bobcatdazzlers.com.

Just for J 5K

Peterson Elementary School third-grader Jacqueline Dyer was diagnosed with Charcot Marie Tooth (CMT) Disease Type 1D, an incurable muscle degenerative disease, at four years old. A 5K race and 1-mile fun run will be held to raise funds for Dyer's family and continued research for CMT. The race will be held Saturday, November 10, at 8:30 a.m. at Cravens Park (400 Cravens Park, Arlington, 76018). For more information or to register, go to <http://justforj5k.webs.com/>.

November School Board Meeting

The November Northwest ISD school board meeting is Monday, November 12. School board meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the NISD Administration Building Board Room (2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, 76177).

NISD Closed for Thanksgiving

Northwest ISD offices and campuses will be closed the week of November 19-23 for Thanksgiving break. Classes will resume Monday, November 26.

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