



## School Notes

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### NISD School Notes, November 28 – January 18

#### **Northwest ISD Employees and Community Support 600+ Students in Annual Angel Tree**

Thanks to the generous support from hundreds of Northwest ISD employees, parents and community members, more than 600 children have been adopted from the NISD Angel Tree. NISD uses the Angel Tree as a way for district teachers and staff, student organizations, local churches and businesses to offer support anonymously to any student or family needing assistance for the holiday season.

#### **NISD Students Launch Pumpkins & Explore Trails at OLC**

On November 27, more than 350 Northwest ISD students spent the day at the district's Outdoor Learning Center (OLC), a 193- acre natural setting providing students with hands-on learning experiences. The Academy of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) students competed in a pumpkin launching contest using trebuchets they designed and constructed. The winning team launched their pumpkin more than 100 feet. STEM students also participated in a geocaching exercise and learned to construct walls. Lakeview Elementary School fifth-grade students explored the Discovery Trails and spent the afternoon working in the bulb garden.

PHOTO CAPTION [launch\_test]: Northwest ISD STEM freshman Nathan Patzke tested his trebuchet during the pumpkin launching contest at the district's Outdoor Learning Center.

#### **District Holds 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Greeting Card Art Contest**

Alyssa Zuzu, Truett Wilson Middle School eighth-grade student, is the winner of the 2012 NISD Holiday Card Art Competition. All Northwest ISD students are encouraged to enter the contest. The winning holiday card is sent to district staff, local businesses, state senators, state representatives and many organizations across Texas.

PHOTO CAPTION [NISD Holiday Card 2012]: Each year, Northwest ISD students are encouraged to enter the annual Holiday Card Art Competition. The 2012 winner is Tidwell Middle School eighth-grade student Alyssa Zuzu.

#### **CTMS Choir Performs at TMS Tree Lighting Ceremony**

The Chisholm Trail Middle School choir was selected to perform at the Speedway Children's Charities Texas Motor Speedway Annual Tree Lighting on November 27. More than 60 sixth through eighth-grade students performed three songs during the ceremony.

PHOTO CAPTION [choir]: The Chisholm Trail Middle School choir is pictured during a performance at the Speedway Children's Charities Texas Motor Speedway Annual Tree Lighting.

#### **NISD Hosts IMPACT Parent Meeting**

Northwest ISD will host an IMPACT parent meeting on Thursday, December 6 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Administration Building Board Room (2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, 76247). This informative meeting offers helpful homework tips for parents and how to access information through the Northwest ISD website.

**NISD Hosts 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Reindeer Romp**

Northwest ISD is hosting the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Reindeer Romp benefiting the Northwest ISD physical education departments. The 5K race will be held Saturday, December 8 at 8:30 a.m. at Byron Nelson High School (2775 Bobcat Blvd. Trophy Club, 76262). To sign up for the race, go to <http://www.nisdreindeerromp.com/>.

**Board of Trustee Meeting**

The December School Board meeting will be held Monday, December 10 at 7 p.m. in the Board Room at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247).

**NISD Closed for Winter Break**

Northwest ISD offices and campuses will be closed December 19 – January 1 for Winter Break. Wednesday, January 2 is a student holiday. Classes will resume Thursday, January 3.

**NISD Early Release Days**

Northwest ISD campuses will dismiss early on Thursday, January 17 and Friday, January 18 at the following times:

Elementary Schools: 12:15 p.m.

Steele AHS: 1:05 p.m.

BNHS and NHS: 1:15 p.m.

Middle Schools: 2 p.m.

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