



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, December 12 – January 22

The NISD Administration Building will be closed Wednesday, December 19 through Tuesday, January 1. The next issue of School Notes will be distributed on Wednesday, January 2.

NISD Launches SMS Text Messaging Service

In January, Northwest ISD will add text messaging notifications as another communication tool to parents and staff. The district will send a one-time message on January 23 to cell phone numbers in the student information database in order to invite Northwest ISD parents and staff that have not completed the opt-in process. To opt out of the service, parents should not respond to the text. To update information in the student information database, parents should contact your child's campus. For more information, go to www.SchoolMessenger.com/tm.

NISD Seeks Feedback on Names for New Schools

The Northwest ISD Board of Trustees and administration invites the community to submit nominations for naming elementary school 17 and comprehensive high school 3. An online form will be available at www.nisdtx.org/schoolnames from January 7 to February 7. After the naming committee reviews the recommendations, the NISD Board of Trustees will vote on the names at the March school board meeting.

Elementary School 17 to Open in August

Construction is underway on the district's 17th elementary school located in Roanoke on Litsey Road near the Seventeen Lakes housing development. Funds from the 2008 bond referendum will be used to construct the 103,926 square-foot campus. The school will feature an expanded cafeteria and gymnasium, open space, enclosed courtyard, flex spaces, and energy efficient amenities. The new elementary school will open in August 2013. Attendance zone information will be available in the early spring.

PHOTO CAPTION [elementary17]: Elementary 17 will be located in Roanoke on Litsey Road. This is the first elementary campus designed to accommodate the 850 student capacity. Construction is underway, and the campus will open in August 2013.

NHS's Big Event Nominated for \$50,000 Grant

Northwest High School's Big Event community service program has been nominated for up to \$50,000 in grant awards from Clorox. Through December 19, adults and children 13 and older may vote once a day for the program they believe is most deserving of a grant at www.PowerABrightFuture.com or text 1152pbf to 95248. The program that receives the highest number of votes will be awarded the \$50,000 grant. The next highest scores will each receive a \$25,000 grant.

BNHS Softball Players Named All-American Scholar Athlete

The National Fastpitch Coaches Association listed six Byron Nelson High School students as individual All-American Scholar Athletes from the 2011-2012 season. Kirstin Edgar, Sierrah Martinez, Ashley Dumoulin, Dani West, Emily Wood and Haley Gray received individual honors. Last year's Lady Bobcat softball team finished 22nd in the nation with a grade point average (GPA) of 3.584.

CTMS Students Sing at Decatur Nursing Home

Members from the Chishom Trail Middle School National Junior Honor Society visited The Hills Nursing Home in Decatur on December 9. Approximately 14 students sang holiday carols and passed out small gift bags to the residents.

PHOTO CAPTION [njhs]: Chisholm Trail Middle School National Junior Honor Society students (from left to right: Emily Wilson, Lindsey Cox, Shelby Church and Genesis Peguero) deliver holiday gift bags to The Hills Nursing Home residents in Decatur.

BNHS Theatre Presents *It's a Wonderful Life*

The Byron Nelson High School theatre department presents *It's a Wonderful Life* on December 14-15 at 7 p.m. and December 16 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Byron Nelson High School Performing Arts Center (2775 Bobcat Boulevard, Trophy Club, 76262). Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. For reservations, please call 817-695-5796.

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.

Online Parent Survey Available in January

All parents are encouraged to provide valuable feedback by completing the Northwest ISD 2012-2013 Parent Survey. Surveys will be sent to parent email addresses in January, or a hard copy may be requested. For more information, call 817-215-0171.

NISD to Host First Annual Health Fair

In partnership with Texas Health Resources Alliance, Northwest ISD will hold the first annual Health Fair at the new Texas Health Resources Alliance Hospital (10864 Texas Health Trail, Fort Worth, 76244) on Saturday, January 12 from 2 – 5 p.m. The hospital will offer free screenings ranging from BMI, blood pressure, bone density and car seat safety. Students from the district's Academy of Medical Professions will provide tours of the new facility. Student performances include the NISD Elementary School Honor Choir, Medlin Middle School Orchestra Quartet, Square Dancing Club, O.A. Peterson Elementary School Choir, Northwest High School cheerleaders and the Northwest High School dance ensemble.

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 and Special Programs Center: 1:05 p.m.
BNHS and NHS: 1:15 p.m.
Middle Schools: 2 p.m.

NISD Closed January 21

Northwest ISD offices and campuses will be closed Monday, January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Classes will resume Tuesday, January 22.

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