



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, June 11 – August 9

Media Note: NISD Communications Department/Administration Building Summer Hours

The Northwest ISD Administration Building began summer hours on Monday, June 9. The building will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The regular five-day work schedule will resume on Monday, August 11.

NISD Celebrates the Class of 2014

Parents, friends and faculty proudly cheered as more than 1,040 seniors walked across the stage at commencement ceremonies on June 10 at the University of North Texas Coliseum in Denton. Northwest High School graduated 573 students and 496 graduated from Byron Nelson High School. James M. Steele Accelerated High School held its commencement ceremony honoring 18 graduates Thursday, June 5 at Northwest High School's Vernon Solomon Performing Arts Center. This year, NISD graduates earned approximately \$17.9 million in scholarships.

PHOTO CAPTION [steele_val]: Steele Accelerated High School valedictorian Rachel Schnitzer is pictured with NISD Board President Josh Wright at graduation on June 5.

PHOTO CAPTION [val and sal_BNHS]: Valedictorian Haley Whitfield and salutatorian Madison Edwards (left to right) are pictured at Byron Nelson High School's graduation on June 10.

PHOTO CAPTION [val and sal_NHS]: Parker Kneis, Northwest High School valedictorian, and Macie Grippin, Northwest High School salutatorian, are pictured at Northwest High School's graduation on June 10.

PHOTO CAPTION [SteeleGrad1]: NISD Board President Josh Wright presents Steele Accelerated High School salutatorian Ahnaf Alam his diploma at graduation on June 5.

NISD Announces Technology Campuses of the Year

The NISD Instructional Technology Department presented Chisholm Trail Middle School and Roanoke Elementary School with the Technology Campus of the Year award. This achievement recognizes campuses for their growth, consistency, promotion and participation in instructional technology initiatives, programs and events.

PHOTO CAPTION [ctms award]: The NISD instructional technology department presented Chisholm Trail Middle School with the Technology Campus of the Year award.

PHOTO CAPTION [Roanoke technology]: The instructional technology department presented Roanoke Elementary as one of the NISD Technology Campuses of the Year on Friday, June 6.

NISD Wins Award for Financial Reporting

NISD received the Association of School Business Officials International's (ASBO) Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for having met or exceeded the program's high standards for financial reporting and accountability. The district was recognized for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending 2013.

Northwest ISD Summer School Opportunities

Northwest ISD offers a wide variety of summer school and sports camps and enrichment classes during the summer. The following are a list of photo opportunities for the week of June 16-20:

- ***TechnoCamp***
TechnoCamp offers students the opportunity to challenge their creativity using the Lego Education robotics program. Students will learn to design, program and control fully-functional Lego models and use software to test and modify sequences of instruction for robotic behaviors.
June 16-19, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 1-5)
Byron Nelson High School (2775 Bobcat Boulevard, Trophy Club, 76262)
- ***Summer Science Blast Off***
Students are exposed to hands-on, inquiry-based, student driven activities in chemistry, earth science, life science, forensics, physics and biology with an emphasis on measurement, inquiry and critical thinking skills.
June 16-20, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. (grades 2-5)
W.R. Hatfield Elementary School (2051 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247)
- ***Modern Art Madness***
Students will enjoy numerous lessons and create artwork based on the great modern artists such as Vincent van Gogh, Georgia O’Keefe and Pablo Picasso. Students will create drawings, paintings, sculptures, weavings and more.
June 16-20, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 1-5)
Clara Love Elementary School (16301 Elementary Drive, Justin, 76247)
- ***Build and Play Your Own Dulcimer***
During the week, students will build their own dulcimer to be taken home at the end of camp. Students learn to play basic strumming techniques and melody patterns. The camp will conclude with a performance for families.
June 16-20, 2-4 p.m. (grades 2-5)
Wayne A. Cox Elementary School (1100 Litsey Road, Roanoke, 76262)
- ***Summer Strings Camp***
Students will learn individual playing techniques as well as ensemble repertoire. Students will also work with professional clinicians and receive one-on-one instruction. The week will culminate with a concert at the Byron Nelson High School Performing Arts Center on Friday, June 20 at 11 a.m.
June 16-20, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 6-8)
Byron Nelson High School (2775 Bobcat Boulevard, Trophy Club, 76262)
- ***Byron Nelson High School Girls Basketball***
June 16-19, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 3-9)
Byron Nelson High School competition gymnasium
- ***Byron Nelson High School Dive Camp***
June 16-19, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (grades 6-9)
Keller ISD Natatorium
- ***Byron Nelson High School Boys/Girls Wrestling***
June 16-19, 1 – 4 p.m. (grades 3-9)
Bobcat North Gym
- ***Byron Nelson High School Boys Soccer Camp***
June 16-19, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 7-9)
Bobcat Indoor Stadium
- ***Byron Nelson High School Boys Soccer Camp***
June 16-19, 1 – 4 p.m. (grades 3-6)
Bobcat Indoor Stadium
- ***Byron Nelson High School Baseball Camp***
June 16-19, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 3-6)
BNHS Baseball Fields

- ***Northwest High School Softball Camp***
June 16-19, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 3-9)
NHS Softball Fields
- ***Northwest High School Dive Camp***
June 16-19, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (grades 6-9)
Keller ISD Natatorium
- ***Northwest High School Tennis Camp***
June 16-19, 8 – 11 a.m. (grades 3-9)
NHS Tennis Center
- ***Northwest High School Boys Soccer***
June 16-19, 9 a.m. – noon (grades 3-9)
NHS Stadium

Enrollment Online Help Desk Available

Enrollment Online is available for students new to Northwest ISD. This includes incoming kindergarten students. In order to access the online registration feature, parents of students currently enrolled in the district must have a Home Access Center (HAC) account. Access to the HAC requires an internet connection and a confidential username and password issued to the parent by the school. If you are unsure of your HAC login, you may contact your child's campus. Parents of returning students can begin the registration process on July 14.

Enrollment Online is available for use on a laptop or desktop computer using Internet Explorer. Please make sure compatibility mode is enabled. Campuses will have computers available for use for households without Internet. An Enrollment Online help desk is set up at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247) from the hours of 8-5.

June 23 School Board Meeting

There is an NISD School Board Meeting on Monday, June 23. All board meetings are scheduled for 7 p.m. and held at the NISD Administration building in the board room.

NISD to Host Second Annual Back to School Fair

Northwest ISD is partnering with Communities in Schools of North Texas to host the second annual Back to School Fair on Saturday, August 9 from 9 a.m. to noon at Northwest High School (2301 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247). This year's fair will provide school supplies and assistance to families who need extra support based on their financial need (verified by their registration for free or reduced lunch). To make a tax-deductible donation, an in-kind contribution or to sponsor a family, go to www.cisnt.org.

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