



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, March 25 – August 8

NISD Named Best Community for Music Education

The National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) Foundation has named Northwest ISD a 'Best Community for Music Education' for the seventh consecutive year. This recognition affirms school districts that have demonstrated exceptional efforts toward maintaining music education as part of schools' core curriculum. Approximately 17,600 students are enrolled in fine arts programs in Northwest ISD.

NHS Drill Team Named National Champions

The Northwest High School Sidekicks drill team is national champions. The team participated in the Marching Auxiliaries national competition, one of the largest in the country, where they placed first against other teams with comparable team members. The team was named national champions in their division and placed fourth overall out of all of the high school teams in the contest. The Sidekicks were the highest placing Texas team.

PHOTO CAPTION: The Northwest High School Sidekicks is a national champion drill team.

District Announces Summer School Opportunities

NISD offers a variety of programs for pre-kindergarten through high school students to enhance their educational experience in the summer. Registration is now available for summer opportunities for students. To view a listing of courses and for information on how to register, go to <http://www.nisdtx.org/Page/1262>.

District Announces Bad Weather Make-Up Day

Due to cancelling school for inclement weather, Northwest ISD students will make up one of the days of missed instruction on Friday, April 3. The district will be seeking a waiver from the Texas Education Agency. More information regarding the remaining two make-up days will be available soon. Please continue to check the district's website and calendar at www.nisdtx.org/calendars.

NISD School Board Meeting

An NISD School Board meeting will be held Monday, April 13 at 7 p.m. in the Board Room at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, 76247).

NHS to Host Big Event

Northwest High School will host the fourth annual Big Event on Saturday, April 18. Each year, Northwest High School students participate in one of the largest community service projects in the area. More than 900 students will assist six surrounding communities with projects for residents and community organizations. More information is available at <http://bigevent.nisdtx.org>.

Enrollment Online Begins April 20 for 2015-2016 New Students

Beginning April 20, Enrollment Online will be available for students new to Northwest ISD. This includes incoming kindergarten students. Kindergarten Round-Up is May 4-8. 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 13.

Enrollment Online is available for use on a laptop or desktop computer using Internet Explorer. It will work on all browsers. Compatibility mode is not required. Pop-up blockers must be disabled. The device works best on a desktop or laptop computer. Campuses will have computers available for use for households without Internet, or parents/guardians

may use their local library. Beginning April 20, an Enrollment Online help desk (817-698-1099) will be set up at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247) from the hours of 8-5. Please feel free to call your campus as well if you need assistance.

Please note, a child should be enrolled by a parent, guardian or a person with control under a court order. If someone other than a parent, guardian or person with control under a court order is listed on enrollment forms, a Power of Attorney form must be notarized, signed and returned. A Power of Attorney is a written document in which the student's parent/guardian authorizes a third party to make decisions for the student on behalf of the parent/guardian.

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District Sets Dates for Kindergarten Round-Up

Children who will attend kindergarten this August are asked to register online beginning April 20. To register, kindergarten students must be five by September 1, 2015. Kindergarten Round-Up is scheduled for May 4-8. Parents and students are encouraged to attend this event to meet staff, tour the facility and provide the necessary documents needed to complete the registration process. Please bring the following items in order to complete your child's enrollment:

- Birth certificate
- Immunization records (immunizations must be up-to-date to attend school)
- Proof of residency (housing contract, rental agreement, utility bill etc. – not a telephone bill)
- Student's social security card
- License or other suitable photo ID of the parent/guardian.

If parents do not have access to a computer at home, computers will be available at the campus during this time.

Keeping Your Kids Safe Online

Due to the inclement weather in March, Northwest ISD has rescheduled the Keeping Your Kids Safe Online meeting to Wednesday, May 13 at 7 p.m. at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247). The meeting will feature guest speaker and Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas Aisha Saleem.

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