



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, March 23 – May 5

Board of Trustees Seeks Input in Superintendent Search

The NISD Board of Trustees is asking for your help as they team with search firm Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates (HYA) to begin the process of searching for a new superintendent. At the January 28 School Board Meeting, Superintendent Karen G. Rue, Ed.D. announced her intent to retire effective July 31, 2016. The NISD School Board values the feedback from the community members during this process.

To complete the survey, go to www.nisdtx.org/supersearch. The website will provide details on upcoming public forums that will provide an opportunity for community members, staff, businesses, parents, and more to share their input in developing the superintendent profile.

NISD Earns Meritorious Budget Award

Northwest ISD has received the Meritorious Budget Award for excellence in budget presentation during the 2015-2016 school year from the Association of School Business Officials (ASBO). The Meritorious Budget Awards program promotes and recognizes excellence in school budget presentation and enhances school business officials' skills in developing, analyzing and presenting a school system budget. NISD has met or exceeded this program's stringent criteria. This is the district's 15th year to receive this award.

Byron Nelson High School Student Selected as TWU Chancellor's Scholar

Byron Nelson High School senior Caroline Gross received a surprise visit from Texas Woman's University Chancellor and President Dr. Carine Feyten on Thursday, March 10 to present her with the Chancellor's Endowed Scholarship award. This is one of Texas Woman's University's highest awards and is based on academic achievement, leadership and service in school. The scholarship covers Gross' tuition, fees and books for the four years she attends the university.

PHOTO CAPTION [TWUScholarship]: Caroline Gross, Byron Nelson High School senior, is pictured with Texas Woman's University Chancellor and President Dr. Carine Feyten after being announced as the winner of the Chancellor's Endowed Scholarship award.

Steele Accelerated High School Students Collect 3,600+ Pounds of Recycling Items

James M. Steele Accelerated High School's environmental systems class placed sixth out of all schools in Texas in the Keep America Beautiful Recycle Bowl competition. Campuses in Texas were ranked by pounds of recycling collected per student. Students at Steele Accelerated High School collected 3,654.65 pounds. The campus places a strong emphasis on community service and keeps the community beautiful through service opportunities, a partnership with Keep Roanoke Beautiful and the annual participation in the Recycle Bowl.

PHOTO CAPTION [Recycle Bowl]: Steele Accelerated High School students earn sixth in Texas' Keep America Beautiful Recycle Bowl contest.

NISD Seeking Readers for Annual Northwest Reads

NISD Partners in Education (PIE) is looking for volunteers to participate in the eighth annual Northwest Reads on Friday, April 29 from 9-10 a.m. Participants will read to pre-kindergarten through fifth-grade students at one of the district's 17 elementary schools. The event provides community members with an opportunity to inspire young NISD students to become lifelong readers. To volunteer to read, go to www.nisdtx.org/northwestreads.

Bad Weather Make-Up Day – Student Holiday on March 25

Friday, March 25 is a student holiday and staff development day. This date was scheduled as a bad weather make-up day, and since the district has not had to close for inclement weather, it will be a student holiday.

District Sets Dates for Kindergarten Round-Up

Kindergarten Round-Up is scheduled for May 2-5. To register, kindergarten students must be five by September 1, 2016. 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.

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