



## School Notes

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### NISD School Notes, July 30 – August 15

#### ***Media Note: NISD Communications Department/Administration Building Summer Hours***

*The Northwest ISD Administration Building began summer hours on Monday, June 8. 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 10.*

#### **Byron Nelson High School Solar Car Wins Division for 3<sup>rd</sup> Straight Year**

It's a three-peat for the BNHS Solar Car team as they won their division for the third straight year in the national competition. Congratulations to these dedicated students and their teacher, Mr. Jeffrey Taylor.

PHOTO CAPTION: The Byron Nelson High School Solar Car Team receives the trophy for winning their division in the national competition.

PHOTO CAPTION: The first place Byron Nelson High School Solar Car Team with their award winning vehicle at Texas Motor Speedway.

#### **NISD'S Dr. Susan Elza Named First UIL Female Athletic Director**

The University Interscholastic League (UIL) has named Susan Elza, Ed.D. to the position of UIL Athletic Director. She is the first woman to hold that position. Dr. Elza will begin her new position in August and will oversee the UIL athletic department and administer athletic activities for UIL member schools.

Karen G. Rue, Ed.D., NISD Superintendent of Schools said, "Northwest ISD has had the privilege of having Susan Elza serve as the Executive Director of Health, PE and Athletics for the past seven years. During this time, she helped our district tackle the challenges of rapid student growth, the opening of new schools, and the expansion of programs – all while developing championship programs at the district and state levels. Dr. Elza has created great opportunities for our kids, which has resulted in tremendous success for our students, schools and communities. We know she'll do the same in her new role at UIL and will continue to be a huge asset to us and all students and coaches across the state. We wish her the best."

"Dr. Susan Elza has been dedicated to UIL athletics for many years, and brings to the League extensive knowledge and a commitment to continued excellence," said Dr. Charles Breithaupt, the UIL's Executive Director. "Her experience and leadership will be an invaluable asset to the UIL and extracurricular athletics in Texas."

PHOTO CAPTION: Susan Elza, Ed.D., new UIL Athletic Director

#### **Northwest High School Student Donates Backpacks to Help Others**

Northwest High School student, Hayleigh Hutyra, donated more than 100 backpacks for our annual school supply drive. Hayleigh has provided a total of more than 650 backpacks since 2009 when she established "Baking for Backpacks". They will be distributed at the third annual Northwest Back to School Fair on Saturday, August 15 and will help prepare children in need to go back to school.

PHOTO CAPTION: NHS Junior Hayleigh Hutyra started "Baking for Backpacks" when she was an elementary school student. Her program to help children in need continues today as she donated 106 backpacks for the NISD Back to School Fair.

**Walmart in Roanoke to Host “Stuff the Bus” School Supply Event with NISD**

As Part of Tax Free weekend, Roanoke's Walmart and Northwest ISD will be hosting a "Stuff the Bus" event on Saturday, August 8 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., at Walmart in Roanoke (1228 US-377, Roanoke, 76262). Shoppers can buy and donate school supplies to help prepare children in need to go back to school. Volunteers from United Way of Denton County, the National Association of Professional Organizers DFW Chapter and others will be there to collect donations. The goal is to fill the entire bus by the end of the day.

**Donate School Supplies for the NISD Back to School Fair**

Northwest ISD is partnering with United Way of Denton County to host the third annual Northwest Back to School Fair on Saturday, August 15 from 9 a.m. to noon, at Pike Middle School (2200 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247). School supplies will be distributed to families who need extra assistance, based on their financial need (verified by their registration for free or reduced lunch), at the Northwest Back to School Fair where they can also receive free services, community health information and get to know local service providers. Please consider making an in-kind contribution or partner with Northwest ISD. For more information, call 817-215-0172.

**Back to School Web Page Live on NISD Website**

Planning ahead for the 2015-2016 school year? The first day of school is Tuesday, August 25. Returning student registration begins July 13. For information about campus meet the teacher nights, school supplies, registration, and more, go to [www.nsidtx.org/backtoschool](http://www.nsidtx.org/backtoschool).

**Returning Student Registration Available Now**

Returning student registration is available for current NISD students beginning Monday, July 13. 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.

An Enrollment Online help desk is available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 817- 698-1099, Monday – Thursday through August 6; Monday – Friday beginning week of August 10. Enrollment Online is available for use on a computer or tablet with Internet Explorer 9 or higher, Google Chrome, or Safari. Please be sure all pop-up blockers are **turned off**. It will not work on a cell phone. Campuses will have computers available for use for households without Internet.

**I Love NISD**

Share with Northwest ISD your child's achievement, why you selected Northwest ISD, some of your favorite initiatives and programs in the school district and more. We want to hear from you! Go to [www.nisdtx.org/whyilovenisd](http://www.nisdtx.org/whyilovenisd).

**Photo Opportunities – Monday – Thursday, August 3-6**

- Byron Nelson Football Camp  
2775 Bobcat Blvd., Trophy Club, TX 76262  
Bobcat Stadium  
Grades 7-9, 8 – 11 am
- Northwest Texans Football Camp  
NHS Indoor Facility  
2301 Texan Drive, Justin, TX 76247  
Grades 7-9, 8 – 11 am  
Grades 3-6, 5 – 8 pm

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