



School Notes

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NISD School Notes, November 4 – November 30

More than 900 Angels Need Your Support

You can help make the season brighter by adopting one or more angels off NISD's Partners in Education Virtual Angel Tree. Northwest ISD uses the Virtual Angel Tree as a way for teachers and staff, student organizations, local churches and businesses to offer their assistance anonymously to any family who needs assistance with clothing and holiday wishes.

To adopt an angel:

1. Go online (<http://angeltree.nisdtx.org/>) to access the Northwest ISD Virtual Angel Tree
2. Make your selections.

The Virtual Angel Tree items, including a printed copy of the details, will need to be delivered to the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247) by Friday, December 4. Having trouble accessing the site from the link above? Copy and paste <http://angeltree.nisdtx.org/> into your browser. Volunteers are needed to help sort and distribute Virtual Angel Tree items. Please call Partners in Education with your availability at 817-215-0175.

NISD Dedicates V.R. Eaton High School

On November 2, members of the Eaton High School community gathered as the NISD School Board official dedicated the district's newest high school. The campus is named after V.R. Eaton who served on the very first Northwest ISD school board. The dedication included student performances from the orchestra, women's choir and band, a message from the family, gift presentations and the official dedication of the new campus.

PHOTO CAPTION [Roy Eaton 1]: Roy Eaton, son of V.R. Eaton, shared memories of his father with community members at the V.R. Eaton High School dedication on November 2.

PHOTO CAPTION [family]: Principal of V.R. Eaton High School Carri Eddy, Ed.D. (left) poses with the Eaton family (Linda and Roy Eaton) as they revealed a portrait of V.R. Eaton to hang in the building.

NISD Provides Higher Education Information to Hundreds at College and Career Night

Northwest ISD hosted College and Career Night on October 28 for kindergarten through twelfth grade students. Hundreds gathered to collect information about universities, potential career options, as well as financial aid and scholarship information. For more information about college and career readiness in NISD, go to www.nisdtx.org/collegeready.

PHOTO CAPTION [college and career 2]: NISD families learn about preparing for the future at the annual College and Career Night on October 28.

November is Military Family Appreciation Month

November is designated as National Military Family Appreciation Month. This is an opportunity to recognize the many contributions made by military families to our state and country. Northwest ISD appreciates the many families in our district who have made contributions to Texas and our nation.

Fill the Bus

Aramark food service and Durham transportation are partnering to conduct an NISD food drive supporting the Justin and Roanoke Food Pantries. Now through November 13, students may donate a canned, non-perishable food item. On November 16, a school bus will stop by each campus to load up the food items collected. Each bus will be weighed, and the heaviest bus will win the "Fill the Bus" competition. For more information, go to www.nisdtx.org/fillthebus.

New Feature Available on NISD's Mobile App – Tip Line

New this year, the NISD Mobile App allows you to report sensitive information to school officials regarding bullying, violence, drug use or other situations that concern you using the NISD Tip Line. These reports are submitted to school district officials and shared with local authorities, if necessary. All reports are anonymous. To make sure you have the latest feature, simply close the app and re-open.

The NISD Mobile App is available for download on an Apple or Android device. For more information, go to www.nisdtx.org/mobileapp.

Northwest ISD Offers eSchoolPLUS Family App for Parents

The eSchoolPlus Family mobile app is now available for Northwest ISD parents. The mobile application is a free download featuring activities, notifications, classwork, report cards, schedule, attendance, alerts and more. The eSchoolPLUS family app is available for the iPhone, iPad, iPod touch, Android and Kindle Fire. Download the app on your choice of device on the App Store, Google Play or Amazon. For instructions on how to download the mobile application, go to www.nisdtx.org/eSchoolPLUSFamilyApp.

I Love NISD Campaign

To show your support and secure your "I Love NISD" decal, t-shirt or yard sign, visit www.northwestef.org, or call the NEF office at 817-215-0173. Your donation will benefit the Northwest Education Foundation and the Northwest Council of the PTAs. With your purchase you will be showing your support and pride in NISD, and also helping provide critical resources to ensure that every NISD student has the opportunity to be future ready.

Volunteer in NISD Schools

Interested in joining a group of 7,000 individuals who make a difference in the lives of NISD students and staff each day? Be an NISD volunteer! Here's how:

- Log on to www.nisdtx.org, and click the Volunteer Background Check link under Quick Links.
- Once your background check has been approved, you can access your Virtual Volunteer account to sign up for opportunities to serve.

For more information, call 817-215-0172.

Mentors Matter

Did you know you can make a difference in a child's life in just 30 minutes a week? The NISD mentoring program brings together individual students with caring adults who have made a commitment to meet on the school campus to listen and offer encouragement to students. If you are interested in becoming an NISD mentor, please call 817-215-0172. Mentors are required to complete a background check, a mentor application and attend an orientation. Please go to www.nisdtx.org/pie for more information. The next orientation is Wednesday, November 18 at 12 p.m. at the NISD Administration Building (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247).

November School Board Meeting

The November Northwest ISD school board meeting is Monday, November 16. School board meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the NISD Administration Building Board Room (2001 Texan Drive, Justin, 76247).

NISD Closed for Thanksgiving

Northwest ISD offices and campuses will be closed the week of November 23-27 for Thanksgiving break. Classes will resume Monday, November 30.

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