

Faculty Update



FLORESVILLE

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Building a Community of Character

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

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National Poster Contest Winner

This year the Primary GT students did an extensive study about animals. They researched Rainforest animals and found that many of these animals are endangered. They decided to enter a "Save the Rainforest Poster Contest" to inform people to protect the rainforest and the animals. It was sponsored by the Rainforest Action Network. There were more than 400 posters from 25 schools in the United States and abroad entered. We are proud to announce that Emily Smith from our first grade won BEST MESSAGE for Grade Level K-1. Emily received a certificate of congratulations as well as a Fair Trade, hand sewn monkey along with Save the Rainforest T-shirts for each class member. Way to go Emily!



Community of Character Award

Three 5th grade students in Mrs. Wiatrek's class were honored by the FISD Board of Trustees on Tuesday, May 20th with a *Community of Character Award*. Luke Rocha, Luke Smith, and Tyler Masur gave up their personal time on a



Friday afternoon and woke up early the next Saturday morning to bake cookies, brownies, and cupcakes to raise money for the elementary campus make-a-wish fund to benefit a student on their campus. This was self motivated and the boys raised about \$60 for make-a-wish. This is one example of the products our efforts to build a community of character can produce. In their minds, they were simply helping a fellow student in need.

FHS Graduation 2008

Graduation ceremonies for the class of 2008 will be held at the new Eschenburg Field on Friday, May 30, 2008 at 8:00 p.m. Please note that there will be no track seating and only authorized faculty and seniors will be allowed in the track and field area. Congratulations



to the seniors and thank you, Floresville family, for making this a reality for these young men and women. Special congratulations to valedictorian Sarah Haas and salutatorian Cassie Cullum.



AFJROTC Distinguished Unit Award

The Floresville High School AFJROTC has been selected as one of 328 units to receive the 2007-2008 Air Force Junior ROTC Distinguished Unit Award.

This award recognizes AFJROTC units that have performed above and beyond normal expectations, and that have distinguished themselves through outstanding service to their school and community while meeting the Air Force Junior ROTC mission of producing better citizens for America. (continued on page 2)



Come See the New Eschenburg Field

Coach John Baker and his staff will be offering tours of the new Eschenburg Field during the final week of school. On Tuesday May 27 from 8am until 4pm and Wednesday May 28 from 8am until 11am Coach Baker will show fans the new facility. Tours will begin on the hour. School personnel and the public are welcome to attend. Tours will last about 30 minutes. A golf cart will be made available for the elderly and those who have difficulty walking long distances.

Jaguar Softball All-District Honors

The 2008 Softball 29AAAA All District selections have been announced and boast many Floresville Jaguars. Congratulations to Coach Silva, Coach Acosta, Coach Thibodeaux, and the Jags for a great season.

MVP Offensive: Stacey Moss,
Catcher

1st Team

2nd Base : Kelsey Tieken

Left field: Ashley Pacheco

Right field: Kristen Martinez

Utility: Kelli Sears

2nd Team

Pitcher: Victoria Arredondo

1st Base: Merlanda Mendoza

Left field: Olivia Zidek

Right field: Kelley O'Brien
Honorable Mention

Briana Gonzales

Sascha Woodward

Dana Guerra

Candy Talamantez

Academic All District

Kelli Sears

Kristen Martinez

Stacey Moss

Sascha Woodward

Briana Gonzales



Duke Talent Search Awards

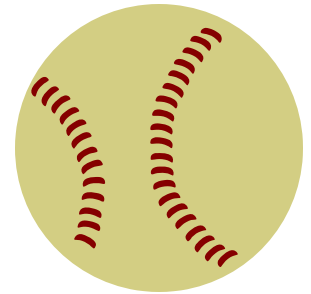
Two middle school students, Alexandria Butts and Liesel Raabe have received state recognition from the Duke University Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP) for their SAT or ACT scores. These two young ladies have been invited to take part in the "2008 Texas Recognition Ceremony" honoring students in the 7th Grade Talent Search at Laurie Auditorium, Trinity University, on June 2nd.

The Talent Search identifies academically talented 7th graders based on standardized test scores achieved while attending elementary or middle school. Candidates are identified and invited to complete either the SAT Reasoning Test or ACT Assessment college entrance exam. Duke TIP then provides the participants with comparative information concerning their academic abilities and resources for unique educational opportunities.



Tiger Baseball All-District Honors

The 29AAAA All District team was announced and is full of Floresville Tigers. Congratulations to Coach Pfluger, Coach White, Coach Tackitt, and the Tigers for an outstanding season!



OFFENSIVE MVP: Daniel Rendon

DEFENSIVE MVP: Catcher,
Chaz Pavliska

1ST TEAM

PITCHER: Landon Pawlik

OUTFIELDER: Matt Zidek

2ND TEAM

2nd BASE: Andrew Stuart

3rd BASE: Kevin Hubbert

OUTFIELDER: Garrett Ledford

HONORABLE MENTION

Izaiah Guerrero

Jonathan Vargo

ACADEMIC ALL DISTRICT

Kevin Hubbert

Garrett Ledford

Chaz Pavliska

Andrew Stuart

Jonathan Vargo

Matt Zidek

Distinguished Unit Continued

The objectives of the Junior ROTC program are to educate and train high school cadets in citizenship and life skills; promote community service; instill responsibility, character and self-discipline through character education and to provide instruction in air and space fundamentals. Congratulations Colonel Kenny Williams, Chief Joe Alwine, and these outstanding cadets in their pursuit of excellence.

TAKS Scores 2005-2008

The following chart contains results from the 2008 TAKS and TAKS-Accommodated administrations. Thank you for your hard work in preparing our students for these very difficult tests. At first glance, you may think that student performance has taken a dip. Please note that these numbers include many more special education students that previously took an SDAA II or were exempt from the test. Even with several more students tested, the high school students have experienced gains in nearly every area from previous years.

* Cumulative Scores

Small font number following 2008 scores are state results for that administration.

Grade Level	Reading/ELA				Writing				Math				Science				Social Studies			
	'05	'06	'07	'08	'05	'06	'07	'08	'05	'06	'07	'08	'05	'06	'07	'08	'05	'06	'07	'08
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3 April Adm.	98*	94*	91*	91*					89	86	83	83								
3 June/July Adm.	99*	96*	92*																	
4	85	88	87	77	98	95	95	88	84	86	89	84								
5 Feb/March Adm.	79	87	86	82 ₋₈₃																
5 April Adm.	90*	91*	92*	88*					88	88	89	82 ₋₈₃	76	82	86	79				
5 May Adm.									94*	94*	94*									
5 June/July Adm.	94*	95*	93*						97*	96*	95*									
6	82	94	91	91					63	79	81	76								
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8 March Adm.				91 ₋₉₂																
8 April Adm.	82	85	92	95*					65	71	82	79 ₋₇₅	74	81	66	88	89	90	86	
8 July Adm.																				
9	86	87	89	91					46	47	56	65								
10	59	82	75	86					53	48	54	62	42	52	54	62	81	77	82	84
Exit Level	78	93	90	90					78	72	75	77	80	69	70	78	97	93	95	95

Staff Development & Personnel

Trade Day Information & Guidelines

Below are some brief guidelines regarding acceptable trade day staff development. For full details please visit the FISD website, click on "Staff Development" then the "Summer Staff Development Calendar". You will find the link to the full guidelines at the top of that page.

Curriculum staff development days - Teachers involved in curriculum work for their subject will use these days as trade days. Teachers required to attend have and/or will be notified by their curriculum specialist and/or lead teacher. Note: some content areas are planning special trainings that require more than 2 days of attendance. Teachers involved in these extended day trainings may be paid for the added days. (You may contact your curriculum specialist for clarification.)

Teachers who are not requested to attend a curriculum staff development or special program staff development days may attend any of the following to satisfy trade day requirements:

- FISD Technology offerings - lists and registration are available on the FISD website
- Any Region XX workshop paid for by FISD coop may be attended free of charge by any FISD teacher. You will need to register for the session through the Region XX system. FISD coop memberships may be checked at the Service Center website.
- College classes attended between June 1 and the date of the trade day may be counted if they support and enhance the teacher's assignment. *Prior* approval from the campus Principal is required.
- Should a teacher present staff development for FISD on a non-contract day, they may use that as a trade day. But, they may not accept payment for the presentation if they use it for a trade day. (Note: LoTi leaders are required to deliver staff development as part of their stipend. These presentations may not be used for a trade day, check with Mrs. Ramos for clarifications)
- Conferences for your assigned area, if pre-approved by your campus administrator
- Other staff development relating to your assignment, must be pre-approved by your campus administrator

Floresville ISD 2008 Retirees

The district has several retirees this year. When you see the following people, congratulate them on their retirement and thank them for the differences they have made in the lives of children.

Harold Means, 45 years
 Beth Price, 39 years
 Jan Schellhase, 36 years
 Noelle Sanders, 35 years
 Cheryl Moody, 31 years
 Susan Henrichson, 27 years
 Diane Way, 21 years
 Marilyn Moran, 20 years
 Mario Perez, 18 years



FISD Teachers of the Year

As you know each campus voted for a teacher of the year for their campus. The winning teachers are interviewed by five outside judges. From that interview process, the Elementary Teacher of the Year is chosen from the candidates from the Early Childhood, Primary, and Elementary campuses. The secondary Teacher of the Year is chosen from Middle School, High School, and Alternative campuses.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR NOMINEES:

Early Childhood: Nash Martinez
 Primary: Judy Fleming
 Elementary: Debra Yeager
 Middle School: Rhonda Bourland
 High School: Marie Maierhofer
 Alternative: Shelley Hendrickson



2008-2009 Calendar

On the last page of the Faculty Update you will find the 2008-2009 school year calendar. The calendar is also available on the FISD website.

The two chosen by the judging panel as FISD Elementary and Secondary Teachers of the Year are Debra Yeager and Rhonda Bourland. Their information will be submitted to Region XX to be considered for the Regional Teacher of the Year. Congratulations to all of these exceptional teachers!



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Legend

- Student Holiday Staff Development
- Student Holiday Staff Work Day
- Teacher and Student Holiday
- Bad Weather Make-Up Day
- Beginning of Nine Weeks
- End of Nine Weeks
- Trade Day
- Early Release

New to District Teacher Training
August , 13, 14, 15, 18

First Day of School: August 25, 2008

Staff Development (Student Holidays)
August 19-21 September 26 and February 16

TRADE DAYS January 19 and June 6

Early Release days:
October 9 and 10th (Peanut Festival) Students and teachers
Early Release Students/ In-Service for Teachers
October 31, January 22, April 9, June 4

Holiday	Date
Labor Day	September 1
Staff Development	September 26
Thanksgiving	November 26-28
Winter Break	Dec. 22-January 2
Staff Development	February 16
End of Semester	January 16
Martin Luther King	January 19
Wilson Country Stock Show	January 23
Spring Break	March 9-13
Easter Break	April 10-13
Memorial Day	May 25
Graduation	June 5

Teaching Days	177
In-service Days	7 2 trade
Work Days	3

Total: 187			
GRADING PERIODS			
1st 9 Wks	43	3th 9 Wks	47
2nd 9 Wks	46	4th 9Wks	41
Total 1st Semester:	89	Total 2nd Semester:	88
Graduation June 5		Teaching Days 177	

TEST DATES
Subject to change by
Texas Education Agency
Please Visit this site
for updated information

<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/student.assessment/admin/calendar/>

Please visit FISD Calendar Site! You will find up to date information for the district and each campus.
<http://www.fisd.us/Calendar/>

The FISD Athletic Calendar Is Located:
<http://calendar.fisd.us:88/athletics/>

For Construction, Cafeteria Menus, Emergency,
And Employment Information Visit:
www.fisd.us

FISD Administrative Offices: (830) 393-5300
or S.A. Metro Line (830) 216-5301

High School: (830) 393-5370	Primary: (830) 393-5310
Middle School: (830) 393-5350	Early Childhood: (830) 393-5700
Elementary : (830) 393-5325	Alternative School: (830) 393-5368
	Bus Barn: (830) 393-5335

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