

Board Buzz

Weekly Superintendent Update for the FBISD Board of Trustees

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Thank you for participating in our first Budget Workshop this week! Great discussions took place and we have a plan for next steps. The Board will receive more information regarding timelines for budget adoption at the June 24 Board Meeting. We have had summer activities going since the week after graduation and our Summer Months are flying! We want to express our gratitude to all educators that work the summer months in every capacity! They keep our Hornets engaged in academics, athletics, and community involvement! It is so great to see that our Hornets are always striving to excel in all that they do!

I hope that you are enjoying these beautiful summer days!

Be safe! Be strong! Bee a Hornet!

HORNET HIGHLIGHTS

Nicole White has joined the Flour Bluff Independent School District as the Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction. Mrs. White received a Bachelor's Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies from Texas State University, and a Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction with an Emphasis in Literacy from the University of Texas at Arlington. She also obtained her Principal Certification from Lamar University.



She comes to FBISD from Copperas Cove ISD where she was the Chief of Instructional Support. Additionally, she held positions as a 6-8 Instructional Coach, K-5 Instructional Coach, Lead Dyslexia Interventionist, and classroom teacher in Copperas Cove ISD. She has also served Killeen ISD as a classroom teacher and Corpus Christi ISD as a Middle School Reading Specialist. Mrs. White is passionate and fully committed to providing high-quality curriculum, instruction, and assessment in FBISD.

She looks forward to the opportunity to work with the administrators, teachers, staff, and students of Flour Bluff ISD this school year.



Molli Martinez has been selected as the Principal for ECC. She currently serves as Principal of George Evans Elementary in Corpus Christi Independent School District. She fosters positive, collaborative relationships with all stakeholders and advocates for student success and growth. Her educational philosophy is "Compassion and Commitment in providing the proper, individualized, rigorous yet equitable, education to every student".

She began her career in education as an Elementary teacher in 2008 and continually desired to impact larger groups of students. Mrs. Martinez's desire to positively influence and serve students, and her passion to be a life-long learner led her to furthering her education. She is currently a Doctoral of Education student at Texas Tech University. Prior to this, she pursued and obtained her Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction from Our Lady of the Lake University and a Masters of Education in Educational Leadership from Texas Tech University. Mrs. Martinez has served as a High School Academic Dean of Curriculum and Instruction, Assessment Coordinator, High School Assistant Principal, Texas Tech Principal Fellow, and Elementary Master teacher in Somerset ISD and Middle school Assistant Principal in Tulosso-Midway ISD.

Molli Martinez, her husband, Matthew Martinez, and two children, Peyton and Trevor, live in the Flour Bluff ISD Hornet Community. She cannot think of anything more rewarding than serving the community and students of Flour Bluff ISD as the Flour Bluff Early Childhood Center Principal.

FLOUR BLUFF CITIZENS COUNCIL - CLEAN UP DAY #7

The Flour Bluff Citizens Council held Clean Up #7 ON Saturday, June 12. The group cleaned the Laguna Shores U-Turn area. Flour Bluff High School Rotary Interact Officers volunteered their time for this community initiative. It is great to see our Hornet Scholars involved in OUR community!

The group collected 35+ bags of trash. The City of Corpus Christi partnered in the event and collected the bags at the end of the event.



TEACHER INCENTIVE ALLOTMENT UPDATE

Three district teachers have received a designation through the Texas Education Agency (TEA) Texas Teacher Incentive Program. House Bill 3 (HB 3), passed by the 86th Texas Legislature in June of 2019, established an optional Teacher Incentive Allotment with a stated goal of a six-figure salary for teachers who prioritize teaching in high needs areas and rural district campuses.



Together, these FBISD teachers have generated \$13,114. Ninety percent of that money will go back to the teachers as an incentive through the program. Additionally, each teacher will have a designation placed on their teaching certificate.

In the near future, we will invite each of the teachers to be recognized during an upcoming board meeting. At that time, we will have the opportunity to celebrate each of them and they will officially receive their Teacher Incentive Allotment.

CALENDAR COMMITTEE MEETING UPDATE

The District Calendar Committee met on June 16, 2021 at 4:15 p.m. via zoom to initiate a discussion for the 2022-2023 school calendar. At the meeting, roles, responsibilities, and expectations were reviewed. In addition, we had Ludivina Cansino, Chief Financial Officer, present information on fiscal year start date and the importance of the alignment of this date with an intercessional calendar. Lastly, we shared with the committee items to keep in mind as we move forward in the fall and begin the process of adopting the 2022-2023 calendar.



FOOD & NUTRITION SUMMER PROGRAM UPDATE

Summer Program is running smoothly with really great participation from the community. We are currently preparing for our summer audit in July from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). We

are so excited to present the "Cafeteria Policy" to the Board regarding the Reimbursable Meals being served at no cost to students for 2021-22 School Year. It will definitely be an unprecedented school year for the School Nutrition Department!

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

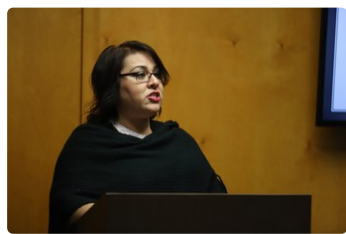
New Police graphics are being put on the trucks this week. The school colors were utilized to show our Hornet Pride!



BUDGET WORKSHOP #1

Thank you for your input and ideas as we navigate setting next year's budget. As we move forward in the process, we will continue to provide updates on the status of ESSER funds, salary increases for staff, maintenance funding projects, projected student enrollment and finalization of this year's expenditures and budget. We will also provide an update on bills passed during the recent legislative session that may affect funding as well as a recap from the Budget Committee meeting.

Next Budget Workshop will be held in a couple of weeks. We'll provide that information once a firm date has been set.



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

[Click here](#) to keep up-to-date on progress of all House and Senate Bills and other legislative activity.





COVID-19 UPDATE AND ONLINE TRACKER

The Online Tracker is updated each day as new cases are received and students/staff recover from COVID-19. To review the COVID-19 Online Tracker and Re-Opening Plan, click the link below...

<https://flourbluffschoools.net/coronavirus-covid-19-updates/>

Staff members and students continue to follow all protocols put in place for COVID-19 at the campus and district facilities because of this we continue to see minimal cases of COVID-19. At this time, we have no reported positive cases.

UPCOMING FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Flour Bluff ISD will again partner with the Coastal Bend Food Bank to host our third food distribution on June 22, 2021. The distribution of food will begin at 12 p.m. ((Noon) and conclude at 2 p.m. or until the food boxes have all been given out. The location will continue to be at the Intermediate parking lot and FBISD hopes to share the food boxes with 150 families.



FBISD Calendar of Events

Regular Meeting of the Flour Bluff ISD Board of Trustees

When

Thursday, June 24th, 6pm

Where

FBISD Board Room



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