

Board Buzz

Weekly Superintendent Update for the FBISD Board of Trustees

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This week Administration spent time tackling several projects on our Summer To-Do List! We spent several hours this week collaborating with Gallagher to finesse the Administration's recommendation to the Board for the benefits/insurance plans for the 2021-22 school year, considering the recommendations from the District's Benefits Committee. Thank you for your recommendations this week - your recommendations truly helped to get us to this point! We had a successful Food Distribution - many thanks to all of the volunteers! We have so many activities that are going on throughout the district! It sure is great to see so many young Hornets participating and staying active, improving their physical fitness, social and mental health, well-being, and building relationships within our Hornet Family!

Be Safe! Be Strong! Bee a Hornet!

HORNET HIGHLIGHTS

Einar Phillips

Flour Bluff ISD has named Einar Phillips as the Flour Bluff High School Band Director. Phillips is a proud Flour Bluff High School graduate. He earned a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. He began his career in teaching in 2006 at Edgewood ISD. He has continued to gain teaching experience through multiple opportunities with organizations like SeaWorld and the fire service. He has also taught in Nocona ISD and Corpus Christi ISD.



In 2018, Phillips was named the Driscoll MS Teacher of the Year. In 2002, he was named a Drum Corps World Champion. When Mr. Phillips is not working at the school, he's helping his wife, Stacey, raise their four children: Paige, Micah, Oliver, and Finn.

Mr. Phillips is excited about returning to where his love of music began and sharing that passion with the next generation of Flour Bluff students and community.

Cindy Holder

Cindy Holder has been named the new Director of the Student Discipline and Guidance Center (SDGC). Holder has been with Flour Bluff ISD for over 20 years. She began her tenure in FBISD as a teacher and coach. She has taught and held administrator roles at various campuses across the District. Additionally, she was the principal of Flour Bluff Junior High School for 10 years. After a brief retirement in 2018, Holder returned to the district in 2019 as a Flour Bluff High School teacher.



"I'm excited to serve the students at SDGC," said Cindy Holder. "I look forward to leading the campus and working to ensure that each student excels and continues on a path to academic success."

Holder replaces Bobby Jones at SDGC, who retired at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

FBISD WETLANDS MEETING

Superintendent Soliz-Garcia received a request from Mr. Chad Huckabee to meet and discuss the Flour Bluff ISD Wetlands Property and Natural Habitat. A meeting was held with district administrators, Mr. Chad Huckabee, and Garden Crew members from the Master Naturalist Chapter. The team met to discuss the history of the wetlands, reviewed property line maps and schematics and future endeavors. The team also discussed the initiatives that were started this past semester, specifically the Math/Science Curriculum Committee, and the importance of including our teachers that are Master Naturalists in that team. Four teachers in our district hold this distinction: Ada Anderson, Janice Ainbinder, Janice Knezek, and Jennifer Pshigoda.



Ada Anderson

Master Naturalist &
Intermediate Teacher



Chad Huckabee

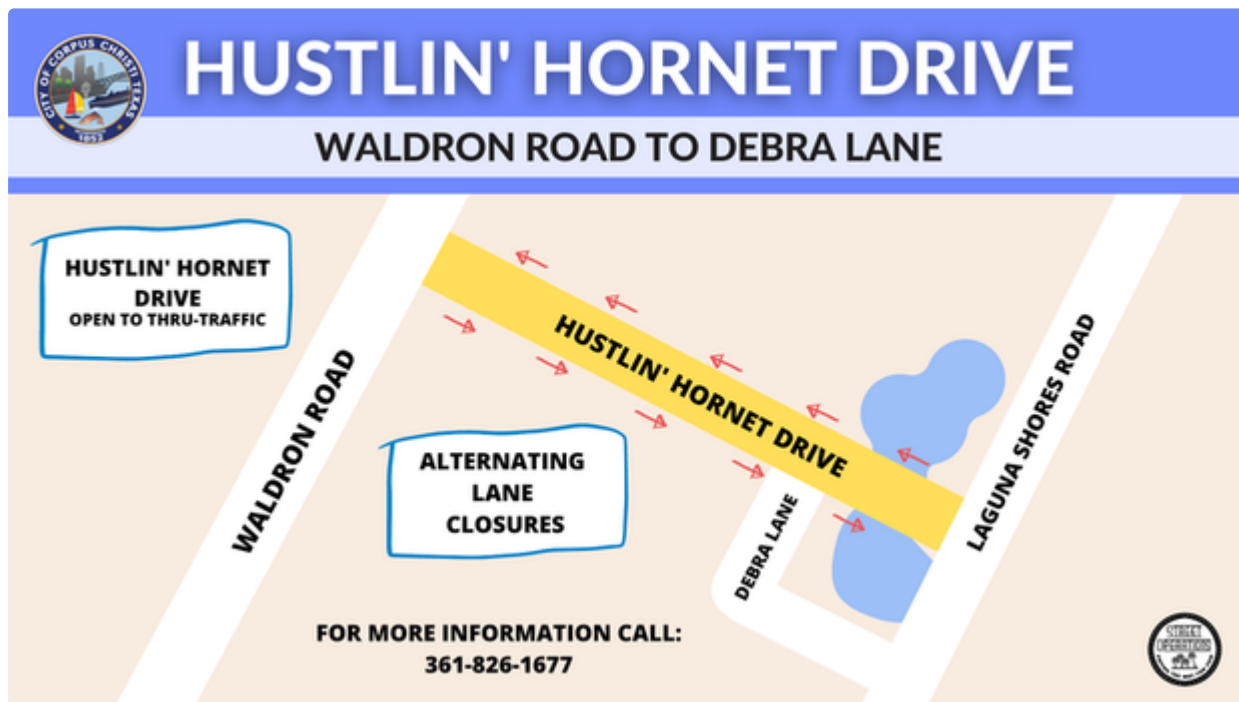
Master Naturalist &
Retired FBISD Teacher

HUSTLIN' HORNET ROAD CONSTRUCTION - JUNE 28-JULY 16

The City of Corpus Christi Public Works Department will begin road construction work on Hustlin' Hornet Drive from Debra Lane to Waldron Road.

Work is scheduled to begin on Monday, June 28, (weather permitting) and runs through Friday, July 16. This work will require alternating lane closures but will be open to thru traffic and will allow access to businesses. Residents can expect delays during the milling and overlay operations.

The Department of Public Works requests residents living in these areas not park on the street allowing crews to complete work on the entire road. Motorists are advised to slow down, follow posted speed limits, obey signs, pay attention, and watch out for workers.



FOOD DISTRIBUTION PARTNERSHIP WITH CBBF


Flour Bluff ISD partnered with the Coastal Bend Food Bank (CBBF) to host our third food distribution on June 22, 2021. The distribution began at 12:00 p.m. and conclude at 1:00 p.m. FBISD distributed boxes of food to 200 families. Food that was supplied included chicken, eggs, bread items, vegetables, dried food items (rice, beans, macaroni) and fruit. A big thank you to the Coastal Bend Food Bank for all the volunteers they brought to help distribute the food. We are planning the next food distribution in conjunction with the Coastal Bend Food Bank for the end of July or first part of August.



BENEFITS COMMITTEE UPDATE

We want to extend our gratitude to the Benefits Committee members for their dedication and commitment to their service as representatives for their campus or department. In the last six months, the committee met six times to analyze the district's self-funded insurance financials, review and discuss a variety of benefit plans and networks, and recommend a proposed plan structure and rates to the Superintendent and Board of Trustees for the 2021-22 Academic School Year.


The committee met after school from 4:00-6:00 p.m. on the following dates: February 21, March 22, April 15, May 10, May 18, and May 25, 2021, at the High School Teaching Theatre. The following are committee members and their respective campus or department:



Micki Beauregard - Intermediate
Kelly Boswell – Junior High
Ludi Cansino – Business Office/CFO
Nicole Cantu - Transportation
Sarah Chapman – High School
Hollie Crenshaw – Employee Benefits
Ashley Debler – Curriculum Supervisor
Sonja Edwards – Junior High
Cassie Freeman – Human Resources
Janie Garanzuay - Transportation
Brittany Garcia - Nutrition
Sylvia Hinojosa – Business Office
Jeanine Hoover - Elementary
Mary Maxwell - Intermediate
Maria McDonel - Intermediate
Linda Medley – High School
Krystal Morais - ECC
Michael Morgan – Board Member
Nicole Peters – Board Member
Jennifer Rendon – Central Office
Joan Reyes - Maintenance
Missy Reyna – Business Office
Frances Rotramble - Nutrition
Amy Seeds – ECC
Melonie Shandy - SPED
Alaric Sibert – High School/Athletics
Kelly Smith - SPED
Kim Sneed - PIO
Velma Soliz-Garcia – Central Office/Superintendent
Suzanne Stoner - Primary
Maureen Sullivan - Primary
Kara Wallace – High School/Athletics
Don Youngberg – Maintenance/Transportation

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Interviews for Security Officers concluded this week.
Police Department patch.





TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Primary, Elementary, and the Varsity Gym have been struggling with a poor Internet signal. Aiming for a wireless signal has only had limited success. We have just significantly completed a project at these gyms to have cable added to strategic points that allow on-site wireless access points and connection points for coaches and trainers. This upgrade is sure to make this group happy.



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://flourbluffschools.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.

FBISD Calendar of Events

Regular Meeting of the Flour Bluff ISD Board of Trustees

When

Thursday, June 24th, 6pm

Where

FBISD Board Room

ESSER III FUNDS PUBLIC MEETING/BUDGET WORKSHOP

When

Wednesday, June 30th, 5:30pm

Where

FBISD Board Room



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