

Board Buzz

Weekly Superintendent Update for the FBISD Board of Trustees

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HAPPY FRIDAY!

"A good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to light the way for others." - Mustafa Kemal Atatürk

"Teachers, I believe, are the most responsible and important members of society because their professional efforts affect the fate of the earth." - Helen Caldicott



This week we celebrated our teachers! Teacher Appreciation Week is a time for us to celebrate the phenomenal educators we are blessed to work with on a daily basis. We had the honor of announcing our Elementary & Secondary teachers of the year! As you know, our educators have been tasked with changing the instructional delivery these past 14 months and they have done that with professionalism, grace, and perseverance! They are to be commended for all that they do for our students, families, and our community! We are so proud of all they have accomplished this school year and continue to give their time to new endeavors that we present them with as we close this school year and are making plans for the next academic year. Several of our teachers are involved in new committee assignments, curriculum writing teams, and advisory councils. I know that they all want what is best for the Hornets we serve! Kudos to all! If you see our teachers, please thank them for their service!

"The best thing about being a teacher is that it matters. The hardest thing about being a teacher is that it matters EVERY DAY." - Todd Whitaker

COMMUNITY LISTENING SESSIONS

I've hosted two listening sessions with the community. We have had great turnouts at Coffee Waves in Flour Bluff and Island Joe's Coffee House on the Island. Parents have provided great feedback and wonderful conversation. It has been awesome to hear from this important group.

I'm looking forward to the third listening session Monday evening at the Athletics Indoor Facility. Evening Chat with the Superintendent kicks-off at 6 p.m.



Coffee with the Superintendent at Coffee Waves



Coffee with the Superintendent at Island Joe's



PARENT SPEAKER SERIES

On May 4th, we held our 2nd Parent Speaker Series with Dr. Pethick. We had a total of 47 participants register for the event. Following the presentation, Dr. Pethick and our Flour Bluff counselors were available to answer questions. The presentation will be posted on our district website.



Ocean's Integrated Program K-12 (What are we using or doing that is already used in this program)				
Grade Level	Content/Units/TEKS/Description	Club/Activities	Electives	Programs Used
K	Communication: Science, Math, Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening			
1-5	Communication: Science, Math, Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening			
6-8	Communication: Science, Math, Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening			
9-12	Communication: Science, Math, Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening			

UPDATE ON OCEANS CURRICULUM ALIGNMENT COMMITTEE

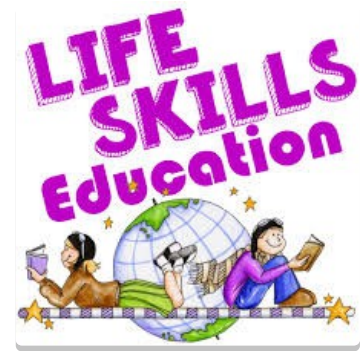
Ocean's Program K-12 met on May 6th. Our agenda for the meeting included a presentation by Andy Tieppen from Codelicious.

Codelicious is a STEM curriculum program that is designed to be educator-led and project-based to engage every learning style. In addition, each campus completed a graphic organizer that showed how their campuses are incorporating the Ocean's Program in their curriculum, club/activities, computer software/programs, field trips, etc.

UPDATE ON MATH/SCIENCE TEAM CURRICULUM ALIGNMENT COMMITTEE

The K-4 Curriculum Supervisors will be working with the K-4 teachers to write summer school curriculum on May 20, in the Board Room. All those involved with the curriculum writing will look at their grade level TEKS that were taught and determine which ones were not mastered. The writers will then develop curriculum that will reinforce those specific TEKS. On May 21, the Curriculum Supervisors will use the same process to work with 5-8 grade teachers to help them develop their summer school curriculum.

The Special Education department and Dr. Schaum are preparing the final details for a proposed expanded 18+ program for students with disabilities who need transitional goals towards gaining skills for meaningful employment and/or moving to a more independent or interdependent adulthood. The old SDGC offices have been earmarked to house the program. We have also secured a grant from Texas A&M, Center of Disability and Development, to refurbish the building with appliances and other items to provide real world LifeSkill settings for our

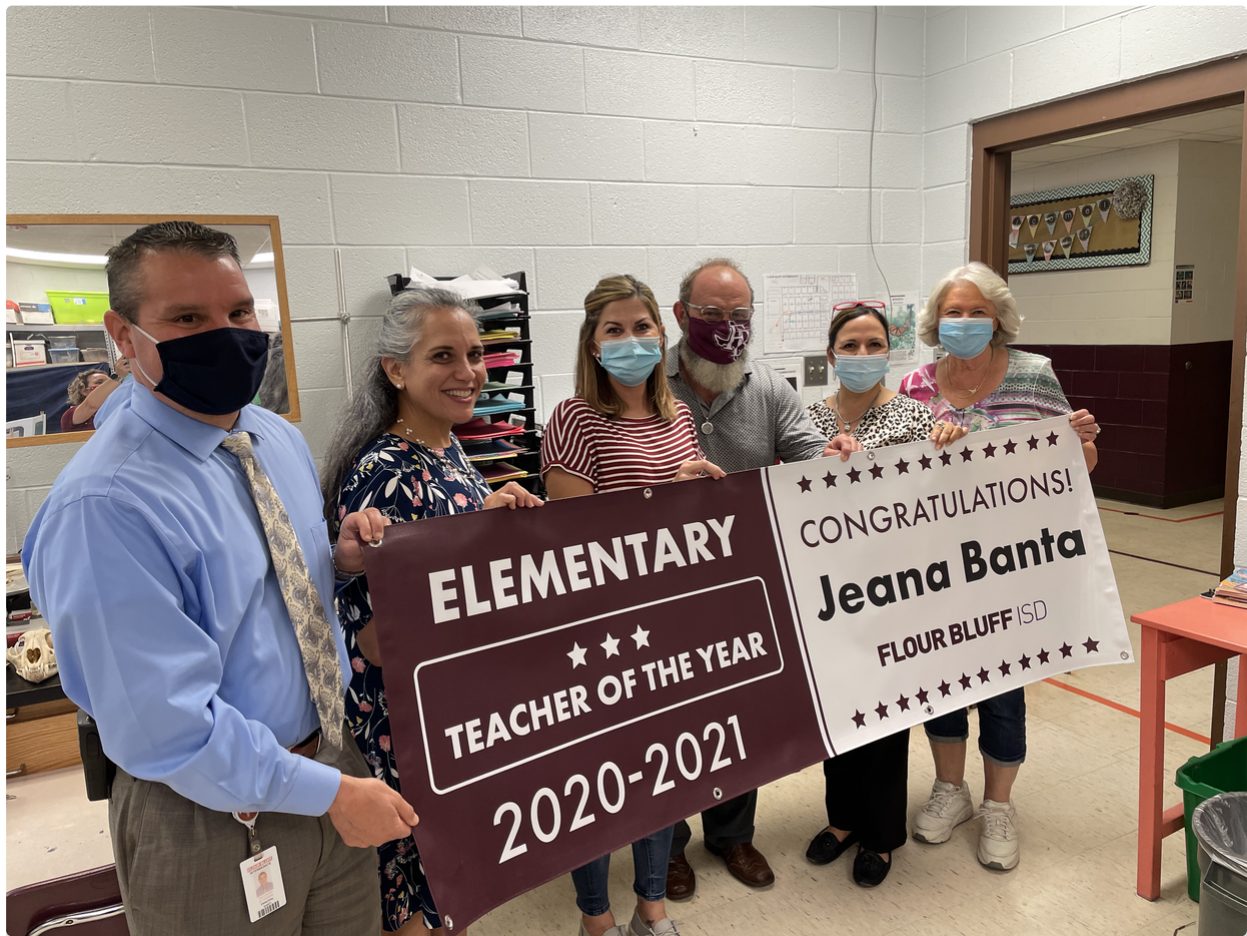


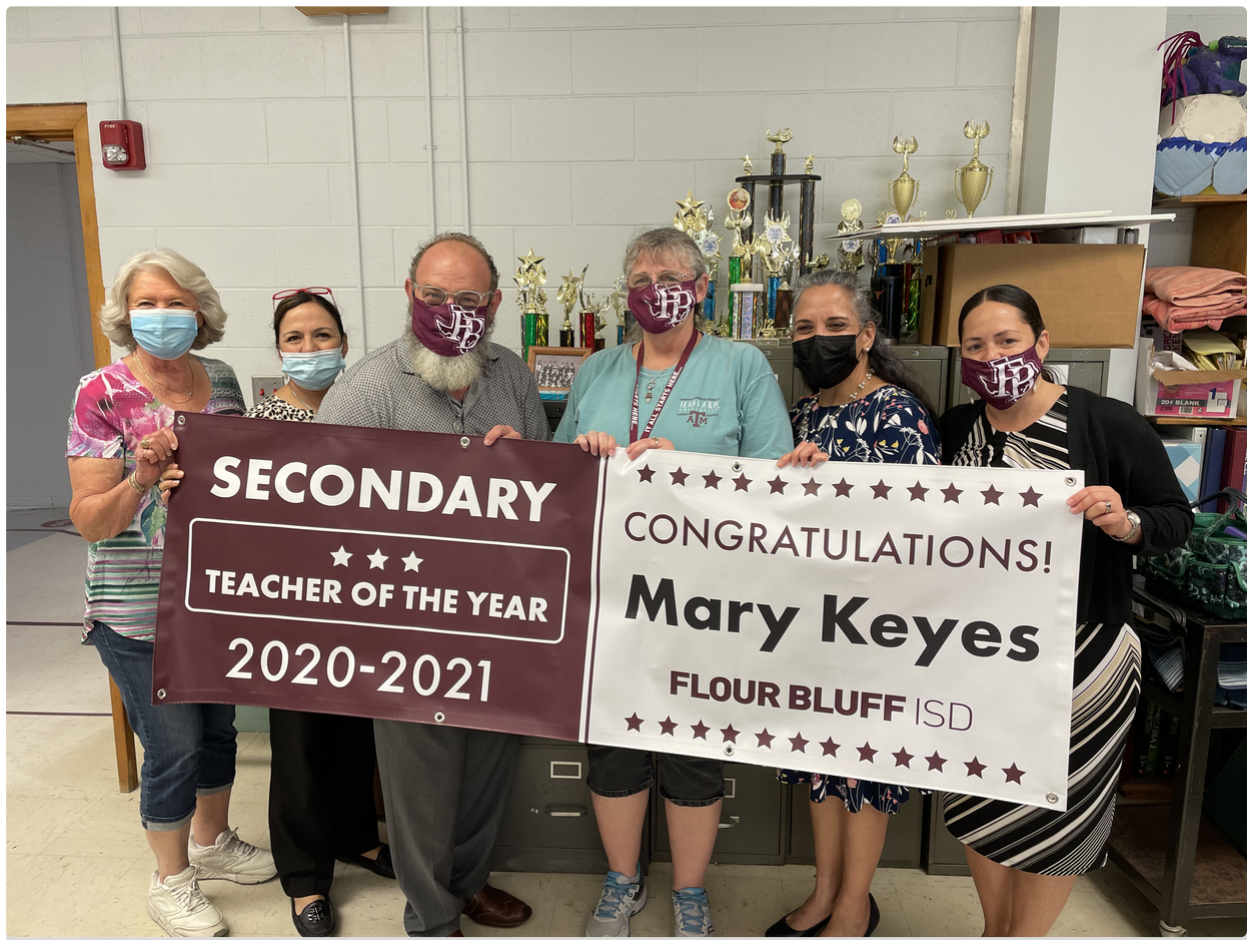
The Benefits Committee will meet again on Monday, May 10th. We will have continued discussions on our plan renewals and available alternative solutions. There will be a demonstration of a new computer platform to assist employees in choosing their health care plan. The committee will also consider a new employee assistance program to be made available to all employees.

The Finance Committee will have the first meeting on May 20th at 4:30. A proposed calendar for the Budget Workshops with the Board of Trustees will be presented at the next board meeting.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DISTRICT'S ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY TEACHERS OF THE YEAR





UIL STATE TRACK MEET

At the Regional Track meet, Aidan Featherby won the Long Jump competition. He won the event with an impressive leap of 22 feet, 6 inches. The victory guarantees Aidan a spot at the UIL Track & Field State Meet, which will take place Thursday, May 6th – Saturday, May 8th – 2021 at Mike A. Myers Stadium at the University of Texas at Austin.

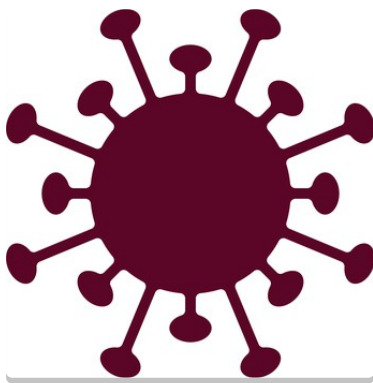
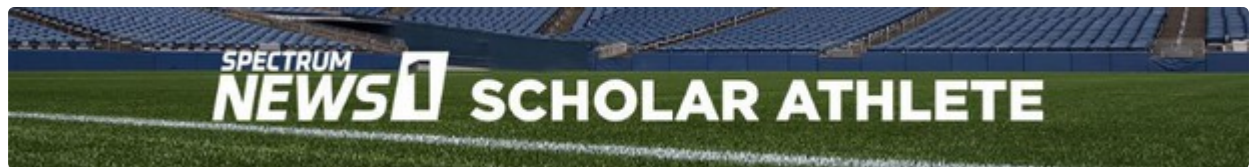
The Regional Track & Field Championship is another outstanding accomplishment for Aidan, who qualified for five events at the Regional Track Meet. The All-South Texas Punter also helped lead the Hornet Football Team to the state quarterfinals this season. In soccer, he was named the District Offensive Most Valuable Player. He also scored a game winning goal for the Hornet Soccer Team in the BiDistrict Round. Aidan is also a member of the National Honor Society and was named Academic All State in Football and Soccer.



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SPECTRUM NEWS 1 SCHOLAR ATHLETE: DIEGO DELGADO

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COVID-19 UPDATE ON CASE NUMBERS

At this time, we have 5 face to face students and 1 remote student who have been diagnosed with COVID-19. There are not any staff members who are COVID positive.

MONITORING COVID-19 CASES

FBISD continues to follow all district protocols associated with COVID 19. Contact tracing procedures are following at all campuses and departments. Weekly meetings are held with Senior Staff Members to inform them of the positivity rate in the district. If there is a new COVID -19 cases in the district it is reported to the Nueces County Health Department. A report is sent weekly to the Texas Education Agency.

COVID-19 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/>

HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE

Summer School

- Selections for the K-6th grade program have been selected. Selections for the other programs are still in progress.
- Summer School contracts will be sent out the second week of May

TASB Staffing Study

- Continue to collect and submit needed data.
- Data requests for specific staff data has been sent to principals and directors.

Teacher Contracts

- Contracts that were approved at the April 29, 2021 Board Meeting have been sent out through Talent Ed – Teachers, Librarians, Nurses, Athletic Trainers

Substitutes

- The last group of substitutes for 2020-2021 have been hired.
- Distributing bags as subs come in with personal protective items – FB face mask, hand sanitizer, etc.

Job Postings – Many of these positions have a candidate that has been recommended, but not finalized.

Professional

- Primary Music Teacher (2021-2022 School Year)
- 6th Grade P.E./ Athletic Program Teacher (2021-2022 School Year)
- Elementary Librarian (2021-2022 School Year)
- Boys Junior High Athletic Coordinator/ P.E. Teacher (2021-2022 School Year)
- Junior High Social Studies Teacher/ Possible Coaching (2021-2022 School Year)
- High School Special Education Teacher/ Swim Coach (2021-2022 School Year)
- Junior High Special Education Teacher (2021-2022 School Year)
- Junior High ELA Teacher (2021-2022 School Year)
- Anticipated Elementary Openings for the 2021-2022 School Year (Pk-Grade 6)
- Anticipated Secondary Openings for the 2021-2022 School Year (Grades 7-12)
- Special Education Teachers
- Police Officers
- High School ELA & Asst. Softball Coach
- High School ELA Teacher (2021-2022 School Year)
- High School Principal
- Primary Reading Specialist/ Reading Lab Teacher (2021-2022 School Year)
- Chief Financial Officer
- Police Lieutenant – will be posted soon

Auxiliary

- Special Education Aides
- Reading and Math Tutors
- Child Nutrition Positions
- Journeyman Plumber
- Grounds Supervisor/ Pest Control Specialist
- Day Custodian
- Night Custodian
- Bus Drivers
- Bus Aides



Thursday, May 6th

JH Band Concert - 7:00-8:30pm - Auditorium

Wednesday, May 12th

ECC Online/Drive-Up Awards 8:30 - 9:30am & 1:00–2:00pm

Thursday, May 13th

ECC Kinder F2F Awards Ceremony – 10:00–11:30am &

12:00–1:30pm - Auditorium

High School - Del Mar CNA Pinning Ceremony - 6:00-8:00pm - Auditorium

Friday, May 14th

ECC Pre-K F2F Awards Ceremony - 9:30am & 1:30pm - ECC Cafeteria

ECC Kinder PE - High School Football Stadium

Primary – 1st Grade GT Fair

Intermediate - Special Agent Hardwick will be presenting Cyber Safety program to 6th graders 8:00am –12:00pm

Monday, May 17th

Primary Summer Blast!

- All students are able to participate each day in one or more activities like a bouncy house, bikes, hacky sack races, free stations, and water games.

Elementary Awards - Cafeteria

- 9:30am - Nelson, Lacour, Daubenspeck & Gusler, S.Cruz, and Espinosa
- 1:30pm - Barnece, Provence, Featherby, Sykes

Intermediate Band Concert – 6:00pm - High School Auditorium

Tuesday, May 18th

Primary Summer Blast!

- All students are able to participate each day in one or more activities like a bouncy house, bikes, hacky sack races, free stations, and water games.

Elementary Awards - Cafeteria

- 9:30am - Osborn, Revett, Hurst, Watson
- 1:30pm - Guerra, Stone, Dyckman, Wyrick

Wednesday, May 19th

Primary End of Year Awards - High School Auditorium

- 9:00pm - 1st grade: Kroll, Ames, Rolf, Lizcano, Moya, Molina, Martinez/Cabrera, Pena, C. Vallejo
- 1:15pm - 1st grade: Flores, Vasquez, Smith/Howard, Landrum, Pape, Schillinger, Samuels, Brewer, Perez

Elementary Remote Class Drive Through Awards on the 4th grade side - 10:00am

- Biggerstaff, Edge, Williams, Tyler, Harris, Steinbruck

High School - Award's Ceremony - Virtual and F2F students only –

2:15pm - 3:15pm - Cafeteria

Thursday, May 20th

Primary End of Year Awards - High School Auditorium

- 1:15pm - 2nd grade: M. Vallejo, Ellis/Yniguez, Rodriguez, Hintz, O'Brien, Phillips, Craver, Heinrich, Radley, Daly

Elementary Awards - Cafeteria

- 9:30am Elliott, Bentz, Shannon, Jones

JH Choir Concert 6:00 - 7:00pm - Auditorium

Friday, May 21st

Primary End of Year Awards - High School Auditorium

- 9:00am via zoom - 1st grade online: Hartsell, Knauss, Woodward
- 10:00am via zoom - 2nd grade online: Berger, Crowe, Moore, Stoner, Tapia
- 1:15pm - 2nd grade: Matula, McFall, Reid, Galindo, Sullivan, Casey, Chavez, Gonzalez, Galvan

Elementary Awards - Cafeteria



- 9:30am Jackson, McAliley, Cooper, Ames

Monday, May 24th

Primary Summer Blast!

- All students are able to participate each day in one or more activities like a bouncy house, bikes, hacky sack races, free stations, and water games.

Elementary Awards - Cafeteria

- 9:30am - Ready, Falany, Atkinson, Kaspar
- 1:30am - Fordyce, Morgan, Tweddle, Messina

Intermediate Field Day (5th Grade)/ Oceans Field Trip to Bob Hall Pier (15 Students Total)

Tuesday, May 25th

Primary Summer Blast!

- All students are able to participate each day in one or more activities like a bouncy house, bikes, hacky sack races, free stations, and water games.

Elementary Awards - Cafeteria

- 9:30am - Steward, Clark, Wilson, Beckwith
- 1:30am - Alvarado, Flores, Ainsworth, Rowe

Intermediate Field Day (6th Grade)

Wednesday, May 26th

Primary - End of Year parties – Students' Last Day

Thursday, May 27th

High School Graduation Rehearsal – 9:00–11:00am - American Bank Center 9:00-11:00am

High School Graduation – 6:30-8:30pm - American Bank Center

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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



FBISD Calendar of Events

Special Board Meeting - Community Advisory Committee Meeting

When

Tuesday, May 11th, 6pm

Where

2505 Waldron Road Corpus Christi, TX

More information

Cafeteria

Regular Meeting of the Flour Bluff ISD Board of Trustees

When

Thursday, May 20th, 6pm

Where

FBISD Board Room



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