Board Buzz

Weekly Superintendent Update for the FBISD Board of Trustees

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I believe we would all agree that September was the fastest month we've experienced to date during 2021! As we move closer to mid-year months, we have focused on staffing reviews and allocations, when administration typically will start work on staffing and master schedules for the 2022-23 school year. In addition, administration and architects have started the planning and surveying for projects. We are moving the needle on several projects that are critical to complete before the beginning of the 2022-23 school year. One example is the back service road that we plan on utilizing as a bus service road to alleviate traffic on Hustlin' Hornet and Purdue. We also look forward to purchasing tables for outdoor spaces at our campuses to provide outdoor instructional spaces for our Hornet scholars -more to come in the next few weeks! If you happen to run into our Hornet Faculty and Staff, please thank them for their continued dedication and commitment to our students and community! The nomination for the H-E-B Excellence in Education Awards is primarily due to the fantastic work that they all devote to our Hornet Nation - *Together We Can...Excel and be the Premier District*!

Be safe & strong! Be committed! Bee a HORNET!

H-E-B EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD NOMINATION

This week Superintendent Soliz-Garcia received notification that FBISD had been identified as an Outstanding District and nominated for the 2022 H-E-B Excellence in Education Award!

H-E-B launched the Excellence in Education Awards program in cooperation with the Texas Association of School Administrators in 2002 as a positive way to support public education in Texas. It has become the largest monetary program for educators in the state, spotlighting best practices and celebrating the passion and creativity of Texas educators.

H-E-B asks customers, Partners (employees), and community members to nominate teachers, principals, districts, early childhood facilities, and school boards in Texas. Each nominee is sent an invitation to complete an application online and is asked about their professional experiences, educational philosophies, and achievements both in and out of the classroom.

The district award is designed to recognize school districts and is based on the following criteria:

- Commitment to student achievement through innovative programs
- · Parent/Community involvement

• Professional development opportunities for teachers and administrators

FBISDs participation in this program could result in a monetary award of \$50,000 to \$100,000. The administration will start work on completing the application process to meet the December 6, 2021 deadline.

We are honored to have been nominated as an outstanding district and will submit our application showcasing our district and all of the great things happening in Hornet Country!!!



CCISD Invitational NJROTC Drill Meet Results

On Saturday, FB NJROTC attended our first drill meet of the year (and first since last December due to Covid), the CCISD Invitational Competition at Carroll High School. This event is a "locals only" meet for the Coastal Bend & RGV NJROTC schools. Our teams are very young and inexperienced, but we had a great day, as you can see from these results:

Personnel Inspection: 1st

Armed Basic: 1st Unarmed Basic: 1st Armed Exhibition: 1st Unarmed Exhibition: 3rd

Male CG: 1st Female CG: 2nd Overall: 1st

These results are a great motivator for our young cadets as we will be spending this week preparing for the first Area Ten State Qualifier at Smithson Valley HS this coming Saturday. Our SeaDevils & SeaHawks Drill Teams will be joined by the SeaMonkeys (Academic Team) and SeaPhantoms (Physical Fitness Team) as this one is for real!

CCISD Expanded Results:

Overall 1st Place Flour Bluff

2nd Place Rockport

3rd Place San Benito

tied 3rd Place Los Fresnos

PI 1st Place Flour Bluff

2nd Place Rockport

3rd Place San Benito

Female/Mixed CG 1st Place Rockport

2nd Place Flour Bluff

3rd Place Ray

Male CG 1st Place Flour Bluff

2nd Place Ray

3rd Place Rockport

Armed Basic 1st Place Flour Bluff

2nd Place Los Fresnos

3rd Place Rockport

Unarmed Basic 1st Place Flour Bluff

2nd Place San Benito

3rd Place Rockport

Armed Exhibition 1st Place Flour Bluff

2nd Place Rockport

3rd Place San Benito

Unarmed Exhibition 1st Place San Benito

2nd Place Rockport

3rd Place Flour Bluff

TMEA District Choir Auditions

TMEA District Choir auditions were hosted here at FBHS this past weekend- our first live auditions since 2019. This competition was the first of three rounds in the TMEA All-State Choir process. Only 20 girls per section and 15 boys per section advance to the Region/Pre-Area audition in November. Of all the participating high schools and student musicians across the region competing for those seats. We had 36 students audition, and of those, ALL 36 are advancing to the next round! This outcome is a first in school history! The results are as follows:

Soprano 1: Gabrielle Oller, Emery Tremlett, Lisette Torres, Analeya Lester, Lauren Icenhower, Penelope Branch

Soprano 2: Bricelynn Castillo, Kailyn Nelson, Katelynn Rumfield, Montana Allen, Casey Denaro,

Alto 1: Sierra Martinez, Sheira Capol, Maleya Campbell, Abigail Wiginton,

Paige Dwyer, Alaina Featherby, Emily Greene, Kaitlin Boley, Agnes Garcia, Aylah Sherman

Alto 2: Dayanara Underwood, Caitlyn Edwards, Bailey Hutchison

Tenor 1: Jaylee Garcia, Joshua Garica, Luke Franz

Tenor 2: Clayton Loy, Juan Torres, Andrew Biven

Bass 1: Abel Valdez Jr., Jack Winters

Bass 2: Myles Puumala, Hunter Henne, Nathan Skrobarczyk, David Berry

Joshua Garcia (9th grade) placed as the first chair! Twelve others are in the top 5 chairs of their sections!

Please congratulate these student musicians on their success and encourage them to continue preparing for the next live audition round- where if they place in the top 5, they will advance to the Area/State round! We appreciate all your support for the performing arts in our schools and especially our choir program. Thank you for all you do daily for our students, and have a great week!



Update from FBISD PD

New signage on Hustlin' Hornet!









COVID-19 UPDATE

From September 27 to October 1, Flour Bluff ISD tested a total of 30 students and staff members at the Flour Bluff COVID Testing Center. The testing center reported no positive cases during this time. As of October 1, we have a total of 11 active cases in the district. The cases include 9 students and 2 staff members.



Click here for the latest COVID-19 case numbers and other district data. To keep up to date on the latest information surrounding COVID-19, visit https://flourbluffschools.net/coronavirus-covid-19-updates/.

Update from FBISD Technology

1 Million Dollars!!! E-rate has committed to funding 3000 Chromebooks and 500 iPads at 100% through the Emergency Connectivity Fund. These devices are required to go into the hands of our students who lack the means to have a computer-type device to do schoolwork from home. We are in the process of ordering but still working out the logistics of identifying these students who will receive the devices.



ECF Funding Commitment Decision Letter

2021

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BEN: 141630 Obligation File: 1

Application Nickname: Flour Bluff ISD - ECF Wind

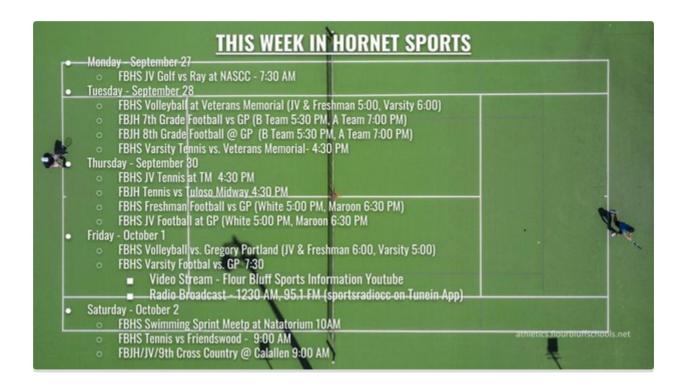
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Totals

Total Committed \$1,014,000.00

UPDATE FROM HORNET ATHLETICS

HORNET HIGHLIGHTS



6th Grade Intramurals

Flour Bluff Intermediate 6th Grade Intramural Volleyball and 7 on 7 football teams participated in their first events on Saturday, September 25! Many thanks to Athletic Director, Chris Steinbruck, Assistant

Athletic Director, James McMinn, Coach Victoria Salinas and all of our coaches that assisted in planning and launching this program at Flour Bluff Intermediate! These programs introduce our Hornets to different sports to build their confidence, introduces them to sportsmanship qualities and leadership skills! It is a huge success!













Click Here for More Athletic News

Click Below for Homecoming Parade Sign-Up Information



FBISD Calendar of Events

Regular Meeting of the Flour Bluff ISD Board of Trustees

When

Thursday, Oct. 28th, 6pm

Where

Central Office, Board Room



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Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or need clarification on any items presented on the weekly Board Buzz. Board, faculty, staff, and parents can reach me at 361.438.0160.

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