

# Latest Buzz

Weekly Superintendent Update for Flour Bluff ISD

The Premier District in Texas! Welcome to Hornet Country!

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## Greetings from Superintendent, Velma Soliz-Garcia!

After Spring Break, although the days feel longer with the additional hours of daylight, time still seems to fly by so much faster, and before we know it, we are standing on the stage at graduation ceremonies. Believe it or not, we have seven Fridays left in this academic school year! Our Hornets are in high gear completing educational requirements for promotion and graduation! Hornets, please do all you can to take advantage of all intervention programs offered to ensure success! Our educators have planned afterschool and Saturday sessions to ensure that all students have an opportunity to complete all requirements for promotion. Don't miss out on any of these opportunities!

We are so proud of our Hornets! With guidance and support from our phenomenal educators, they have accomplished so many acts of service and moments where they have demonstrated our motto of class, pride, and heart! Below, you'll read about our Rotary Interact Club, their Peace Pole project, our Soccer Team, and their act of kindness after the playoff game against Mission Veterans High School. Moments like these are testaments of the standards, relationships, and partnerships we have built in our community. Together we can be the Premier District in Texas!

Peace Pole March 2022 – "May peace prevail on earth."

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

## Girls Soccer come together in a time of need for an opposing player and remind us all that together we can!

Thursday evening, during the girl's soccer game against Mission Veterans Memorial in Kingsville, a player on the opposing team suffered an injury. Shortly after that, both teams came together for a moment of prayer for the player on the opposing team.

We are very proud of all the Hornets, and their acts of kindness remind us all to treat one another with kindness.

"Compassion isn't about solutions. It's about giving all the love that you've got." — *Cheryl Strayed*.

Together We Can!



## Flour Bluff ISD launches the new Military Families Information Page!

Welcome to the Flour Bluff ISD Military Families Information Page. This page serves as a guide and resource for those active-duty and civilian support staff whose children are enrolled or looking to enroll in Flour Bluff ISD schools. Our rich association and history with Naval Air Station Corpus Christi and its tenant commands commenced in 1941 and has been going strong ever since.

This page provides support and resources to military members, support staff, and their families. Due to our strong academics and in-depth knowledge of the military culture over the years, we can provide families and their children with the best educational experience.

To see the Military Families Information Page, click the link here: <https://flourbluffschoools.net/military-families/>



## Junior High Choir groups sing their way to victory at recent UIL Contest!

Yesterday, all four Flour Bluff Junior High Choir groups went to UIL Concert/Sightreading Evaluation (Contest) at the FBHS Auditorium. The choir came home with 3 SWEEPSTAKES TROPHIES!

The Junior High Varsity Treble Choir got Sweepstakes (1-1-1 in Concert and 1-1-1 in Sightreading)!

The Varsity Mixed Choir also got Sweepstakes (1-1-1 in Concert and 1-1-1 in Sightreading)!

The Non-Varsity Tenor-Bass Choir received Sweepstakes (1-1-2 in Concert and 1-1-1 in Sightreading)!

All three groups earned "Superior" ratings!

Our Non-Varsity Treble Choir received a 2 in Concert and a 2 in Sightreading, giving them an "Excellent" Rating!

Please join us in congratulating all these fine musicians! Mr. Perez, Mr. Fernandez, and Mrs. Dow are very proud of all the hard work they put into having such great performances.

Thank you for supporting the Flour Bluff Choir Programs!





Flour Bluff High School staff and students welcome 8th Graders for High School Fair!



Our high school staff and students headed to St. James Episcopal School for their High School Fair!

Flour Bluff High School Principal Linda Medley and Counselor Lauren Smith answered questions and shared all about our programs.

Sophomore Conley Waterhouse and Senior Megan White shared their experiences as Hornets, and they are also St. James alumni!

Welcome to Hornet Country!

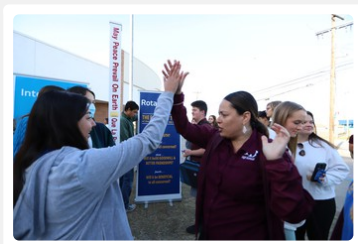


## Flour Bluff Interact Club and Rotary CC Evening Club come together for Peace Pole Dedication at Flour Bluff High School!

This past Wednesday, our Flour Bluff Interact Club and Rotary CC Evening Club hosted a Peace Pole Dedication Ceremony at the High School Flagpole.

The Peace Pole Project started in Japan in 1955. Following the destruction of World War II, Masahisa Goi was inspired to spread world peace. It became a symbol of peace in almost every country in the world after arriving in the United States in 1986.

Thank you to all those who participated in this beautiful ceremony! Special thanks to Mrs. Weischwill and her Interact Club students for having such a positive impact on our community!



## Flour Bluff High School to host Destination College for Seniors!

Greetings, Hornets! At the High School campus, we are excited to announce that we will be hosting a free event for students in preparation for college, called Destination College!

- \* Free Test Prep
- \* Free Food!

Don't forget to sign up! Check your email for the Google link to sign up.



**FB FREE EVENT! FB**

# DESTINATION COLLEGE

**Coming Soon!!!**

**FREE TEST PREP** Delivered by an EXPERT Instructor

<b><u>ACT/SAT Prep</u></b> Apr 9, 2022 9:00am - 3:00pm Sign Up Deadline: Apr 4th	<b><u>STAAR Algebra 1 EOC</u></b> Apr. 23, 2022 9:00am - 12:00pm Sign Up Deadline: Apr 18th	<b><u>TSIA2 Prep</u></b> May 14, 2022 8:30am - 12:30pm Sign Up Deadline: May 9th
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- ⇒ Each student will receive a free workbook with practice test questions
- ⇒ Students will gain content mastery, test taking strategies, and time management pacing skills
- ⇒ Gain Test Taking Confidence
- ⇒ Reduce Testing Anxiety

**Hot Coffee, Breakfast & Lunch will be Provided!**

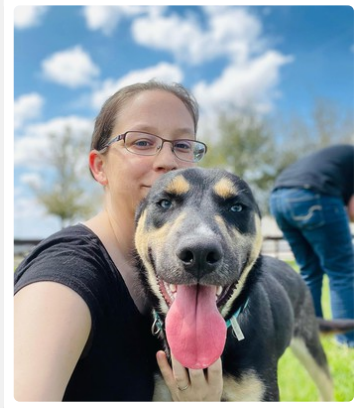
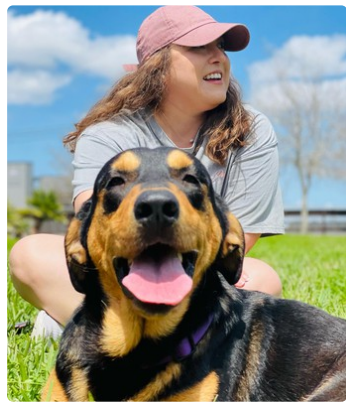
## ROCK THE TEST

**Check your EMAIL for the GOOGLE link to SIGN UP!**

Before returning from Spring Break, teachers enjoyed pet therapy with the Flour Bluff ISD Wellness Program!

As Spring Break ended, we invited our teachers to the Gulf Coast Humane Society for some much-needed pet therapy! Our afternoon was filled with playtime and hugs in the puppy condo before heading to the dog park for playtime and relaxation with the larger pups!

This was an excellent opportunity to refresh our teachers before heading back to class, and we thank Gulf Coast Humane Society for having us! Keep an eye out for our next Wellness event for our teachers!





## FBISD's High School Teacher, Beth Huckabee is recognized for outstanding commitment for Women's History Month!

In honor of Women's History Month, Education Service Center has recognized "Outstanding Women in Education" throughout Region 2.

The latest recipient is Flour Bluff ISD's very own Beth Huckabee!


This nomination exemplifies Beth's impact in our community that your FBISD recognizes and appreciates. Thank you for your dedication, commitment, and passion for education in our region.



CELEBRATING  
**WOMEN'S  
HISTORY MONTH**

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*Recognizes Outstanding Women in Education*

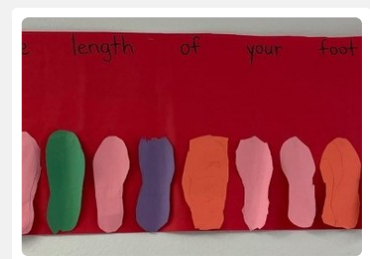
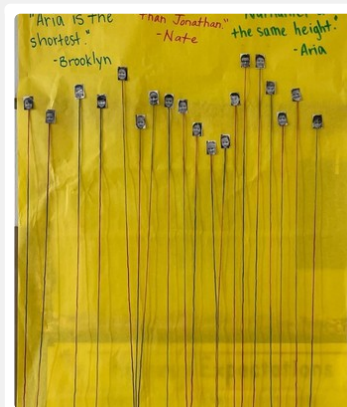


**Beth Huckabee**  
**Position:** High School Teacher  
**District:** Flour Bluff ISD  
**Years at District:** 43 years  
*"Beth has been a Texas State Teacher of the Year and H-E-B. Teacher of the Year. She is highly respected by her peers. Her support and dedication to the district's teachers are as fierce as her devotion to teaching. She has also been a tremendous force leading students in UIL academics. Beth's contributions to the Flour Bluff ISD Community are truly legendary."*  
 - Velma Soliz-Garcia, Superintendent

## ECC campus spends the week making good choices and learning all about their fellow Hornets!

The ECC campus was buzzing this week with fun and activities for students! Our 3rd 9 weeks "Good Choice Club" was a great success, and students enjoyed popcorn with a dance party!

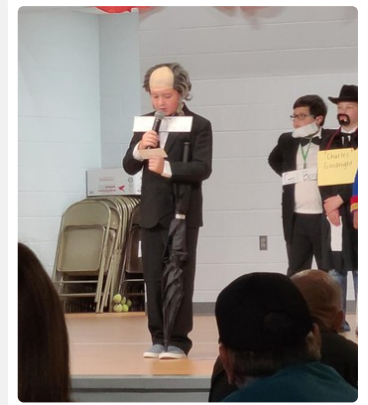
The Little Hornets also enjoyed learning about their classmates by creating artwork that showed them different heights, shoe sizes, and more!



# Elementary students bring Texas history to life for Texas Historical Figures Parade & Presentation!

In the 4th grade, students study and learn all about our rich Texas history. Today, the Elementary campus held their Texas Historical Figures Parade and Presentation!

Each student did a fantastic job in their presentation and did their very best!



# Intermediate student Nakoa Messenger advances to the Regional round of Scripps Spelling Bee!

We are so pleased and proud to recognize Nakoa Messenger, a 6th grader at Flour Bluff Intermediate who advanced to the regional round of the Scripps Spelling Bee this weekend.

Great job representing Flour Bluff ISD! Go, Hornets!!!

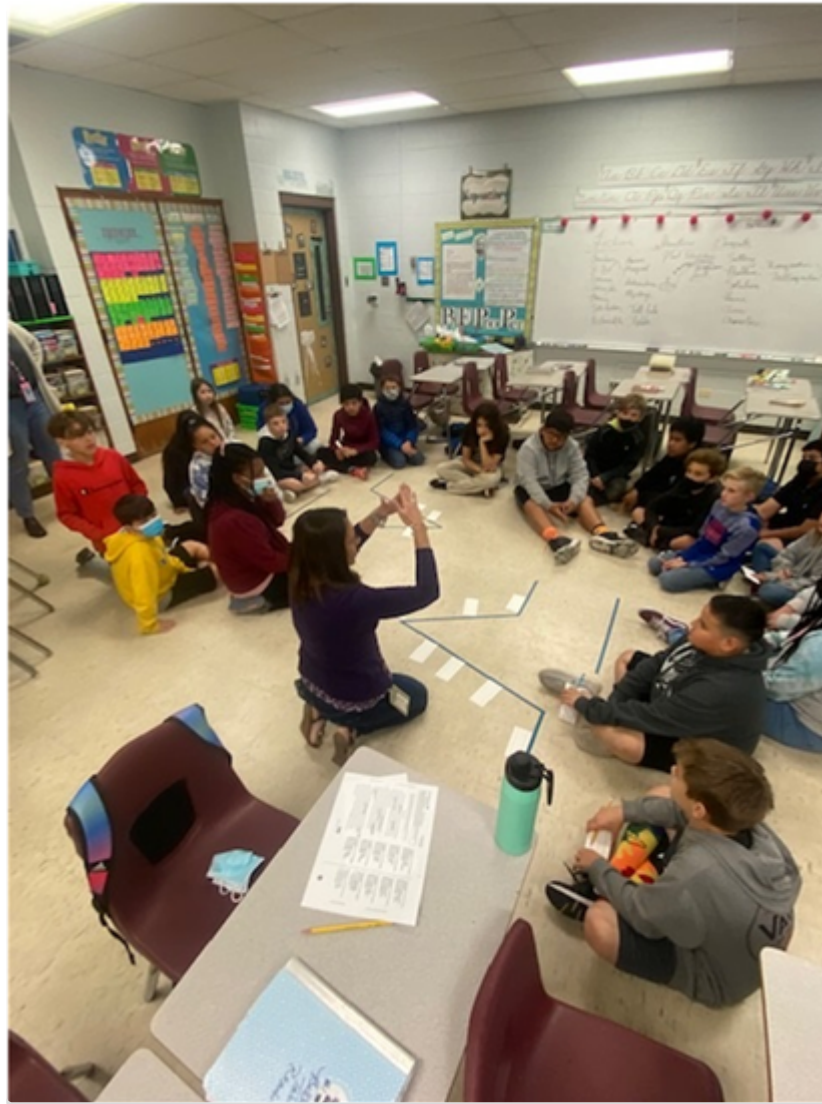




## Intermediate teacher Cathy Graham uses creativity and passion!

In Mrs. Cathy Graham's English Language Arts class, the 5th graders of Flour Bluff Intermediate are learning about plot structure. Mrs. Graham enjoys teaching students in a variety of creative ways.

Way to Go, Hornets!!!



## FBISD Dyslexia Spotlight - Allyson Burdett

Allyson Burdett is a proud Flour Bluff graduate working for FBISD for 24 years. She is one of our most experienced Dyslexia Interventionists; she's been serving students with dyslexia for seven years. Her very first dyslexic student graduated as a member of the National Honor Society, and she shares this with her students every year, so they know they can achieve anything. Thank you, Mrs. Burdett, for all you do for our students!





## Integrated Oceans Program Update

The FBISD Wetland Ambassadors recently visited the Harte Institute at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, being among one of the first groups to visit the school. Students learned to look at microscopic animals, shuck oysters and learned about offshore sharks and fish. Additionally, over Spring Break, the Wetlands Ambassadors presented at a national conference, the Children's Environmental Literacy Foundation (CELf) Student Symposium. Two different groups presented on Water and Air Quality Sampling and Planting Native Seeds.

You can watch the presentations here:

- Water and Air Quality Sampling: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Xaa6eiC9gTu5-BUJhREThxe6ASLqJOoe/view>
- Planting Native Seeds: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mL55ESDdr9j0lZ2BaWhZgMgTR8hL0zGu/view?usp=sharing>

The Wetland Ambassadors continue to set the bar high and achieve amazing things!

#HornetProud







## Assessment & Academics

### Assessment Information

- Upcoming Assessment Dates:
  - TELPAS/TELPAS Alt
    - February 21 - April 1, 2022
  - STAAR Alt
    - Preview Window: March 14 - April 29, 2022
    - Assessment Window: March 28 - April 29, 2022
  - STAAR
    - April Assessments
      - English I (paper & online): April 5, 2022
      - English II (paper & online): April 7, 2022
    - May Assessments
      - Algebra I, Biology 2, US History (paper): May 2 - May 6, 2022

- Algebra I, Biology & US History (online): May 3 - May 13, 2022
- 8th Science (paper): May 5, 2022
- 8th Science (online): May 5 - May 20, 2022
- 8th Social Studies (paper): May 6, 2022
- 8th Social Studies (online): May 6 - May 20, 2022
- 3-8 Math (paper): May 10, 2022
- 3-8 Reading (paper): May 11, 2022
- 5th Science (paper): May 12, 2022
- 3-8 Math, Reading & 5th Science (online): May 10 - May 20, 2022
- June Assessments
  - English I (paper & online): June 21, 2022
  - English II (paper & online): June 23, 2022
  - Algebra I, Biology, US History (paper): June 21 - July 2, 2022
  - Algebra I, Biology, US History (online): June 21 - July 1, 2022

## Upcoming Academic UIL Meets - FBHS

Flour Bluff ISD will host several Academic UIL Meets, for 2nd Grade through High School, which will occur on various dates throughout January, February, and March. The contest dates are as follows:

- High School Academic Contest: March 25-26, 2022

## UPDATES FROM HORNET ATHLETICS

### Flour Bluff Athletics March 28- April 2

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*Monday March 28 –*

- **JV baseball at Veterans Memorial 6:00 pm**
- **Freshman baseball vs Veterans Memorial 6:00 pm Hornet Field**
- **Golf district 29-5A tournament Colony Creek in Victoria**

*Tuesday March 29 –*

- **Varsity Baseball vs Veterans Memorial 7:00 pm Hornet Field**
- **Varsity Softball vs King 7:00 pm Cabaniss Field**
- **JV softball vs King 5:00 pm King HS**
- **Golf district 29-5A tournament Colony Creek in Victoria**
- **Girls Soccer Area playoffs TBA**
- **Boys Soccer Area playoffs TBA**

*Friday April 1 –*

- **Varsity Softball vs Victoria East 7:00 pm Lady Hornet Field**
- **JV Softball vs Victoria East 5:00 pm Lady Hornet Field**
- **JV Softball at Carroll 5:00 pm Carroll**
- **Varsity Baseball vs King 8:00 pm Cabaniss Field**
- **Track meet at Alice Memorial Stadium**

*Saturday April 2–*



- Varsity Baseball vs Victoria West 1:00 pm Riverside Field
- Freshman Baseball vs Calallen 10:00 am Wildcat Field
- JV baseball vs Calallen 12:00 pm Wildcat Field

Go Hornets!

Click Here for More Athletic News

## COVID-19 UPDATE

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The Flour Bluff ISD COVID-19 Testing Center reported from March 11 to March 24; they tested a total of 6 students and staff members at the FBISD Testing Center. The testing center reported no positive case during this time. As of March 24, we have 2 active cases in the district.

[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://flourbluffschoools.net/coronavirus-covid-19-updates/>.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

March 31 - Board Meeting

April: School Library Month

April 4- 8 - National Library Week

April 4-8 - National Assistant Principal Appreciation Week

April 6 - National Paraprofessional Appreciation Day

April 12 - National Library Workers Day

April 18 - 22 - Public School Volunteer Week

April 27 - Administrative Professionals' Day

April 22 - Earth Day

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## FBISD Calendar of Events

### Regular Meeting of the Flour Bluff ISD Board of Trustees

When

Thursday, March 31 st, 6pm

Where

Administration Building, Board Room

More information

2505 Waldron Road, Corpus Christi, Texas 78418






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