

Boling ISD Enlightenment



January 2015

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January 13, 2015 Board Meeting Reported by: Lindsay Mahalitic

Approved the TASB-initiated localized update affecting Local Policies BE, CH, DGBA, EB, FFG, FMG, FNG, and GF

Approved recommendation to seek bids for a new school bus

Approved recommendation to purchase a new awning system for Boling High School

Approved recommendation to waive the one full fiscal year notification provision (#4) of the current East Wharton Coop Shared Service Agreement and grant East Bernard ISD's request to withdraw from the East Wharton County Cooperative

BJSB Administration

Wade Stidevent, Superintendent
Bryan Blanar, Assistant Superintendent
Keith Jedlicka, BHS Principal
Tim Moore, BHS Assistant Principal
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Reminder

Please make sure and double check your withholding amounts. You can complete a new IRS Form W-4 at any time during the year and send it to Jeanine Kutach.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



BOLING HIGH SCHOOL

Reported by: BHS Staff



BHS LIBRARY CLUB

Boling High School's Library Club (Literary Society) is sponsoring a visit from up-and-coming author, Kevin Tumlinson, on January 27th. He will be speaking to the Library Club, and then to several English classes. Mr. Tumlinson will also be available to speak to individuals during the morning who are interested in writing. He will have copies of his Young-Adult book, *Sawyer Jackson and the Long Land* available to purchase for \$6.00. Mr. Tumlinson is a firm believer that "you too can write!" We eagerly await his visit.

BHS FCCLA

PLCC held their annual Christmas celebration and Open House to show the progress of the pre-K children. The children were also surprised by a visit by Santa Claus.

FCCLA members have been collecting gently used formal dresses for Project Cinderella. These dresses can be used by girls on campus for prom at no cost.

FCCLA members have been busy preparing speeches and visual aids that will be used for the STAR Events competitions in February.

BHS FFA

The Boling FFA Chapter held a community trash pick-up on December 17th, 2014. Members of our chapter participated by cleaning up parts of our community. They were able to beautify Boling and keep it trash free with hard work and team effort!

On January 8th, Gabby Alcala, President of the Boling FFA Chapter, attended the Ford Leadership Scholars Program in Austin, Texas. Gabby received recognition for completing the program and for initiating her own community service project, "Bulldogs Don't Bully." She also recognized her program mentors, chapter, and family for their help throughout this process.

Gabby Alcala, is also Treasurer of the Area 3 FFA Association, and attended the Area 3 Elite Conference at Blinn College in Brenham, Texas on January 9th, 2015. She assisted with putting on the conference and also facilitated a leadership workshop. The Boling FFA Chapter is extremely proud of Gabby's accomplishments this month! The chapter is also about to kick off the stock show season. We are very excited and wish every exhibitor good luck at the shows!

BHS BAND

On Saturday, January 10, four members of the BHS Band participated in the ATSSB 3A Area Band auditions: Bianca Camacho-13th chair trumpet, Jacob Razor-19th chair trumpet, Tyler Wittig-3rd chair percussion (alternate to all-state band), and Leslie Gonzalez-2nd chair-clarinet. Leslie will continue as a member of the ATSSB All-State Band which will perform at the Texas Music Educators Association Convention in San Antonio in February. Congratulations to these students for their commitment, hard work and in representing our school so well!

BHS CHEERLEADERS

Boling cheerleaders and the BHS mascot participated in the Buffalo Wild Wings Citrus Bowl Pre-Game in Orlando, Florida on January 1st. The Cheerleaders participated via the Universal Cheerleaders Association and raised funds individually, through group fundraisers, and through donations. They reported they had a great time!

BHS SPEECH AND DEBATE

On January 9 & 10, the BHS Speech and Debate Team competed at the Columbia Speech Tournament. Annabelle Hanka, Robin Llanas, and Brooke Wallace made it to finals in Extemporaneous Speaking where Annabelle placed 3rd. Brooke also placed 4th in Prose Interpretation. Cynthia Kulak placed 3rd in Poetry Interpretation, 4th in Dramatic Interpretation, and 3rd in Humorous Interpretation. Cynthia and Annabelle also placed 2nd in Senior CX Debate. Hailey Harborth placed 4th in Soapbox Speaking and 3rd in Senior LD Debate. Jack Wilkins placed 4th in Storytelling. Ashton Sabrsula and Aaron Hernandez also competed. Congratulations to them all.

Cynthia Kulak advanced to the final round of State UIL Congress and competed in the State Capitol for finals. Congratulations to her and to the alternate, Brooke Wallace.



IAGO JUNIOR HIGH

Reported by: Sarah Harborth



Iago Jr. High hosted the UIL Academic Competition on Saturday, December 6, 2014. The results are as follows:

6th Grade Calculator Applications: Ariel Griffith placed 3rd; Ashton Melton tied for 1st.

7th Grade Calculator Applications: Nadia Tabares placed 5th; Drake Bartos placed 3rd.

8th Grade Calculator Applications: Colt Hough placed 4th, Quincey Hayes placed 3rd.

Calculator Applications is sponsored by Bobbie Peter.

6th Grade Spelling: Blayze Becerra tied for 6th, Rachel Wittig placed 1st.

7th Grade Spelling: Yatziri Ramirez placed 4th, Aryan Bhakta placed 3rd.

8th Grade Spelling: Gabrielle Castillo placed 4th, Journey Hines placed 3rd, Dasia Taylor placed 2nd.

Spelling is sponsored by Holly Wittig.

7th Grade Science I: Sara Gonzales placed 4th.

Science is sponsored by Janice Raska.

6th Grade Maps, Graphs, and Charts: Baron Weaver placed 4th, Marcos Borges placed 2nd, Colby Chilek placed 1st.

8th Grade MGC: Jacob Jiminez placed 6th, JJ Zapalac placed 5th.

Maps, Graphs, and Charts is sponsored by Heather Guess.

6th Grade Art Smart: Yazlynn Angles placed 5th, Kaylynn Macek placed 4th, Krista Wittig and Sydney Mach tied for 1st.

7th Grade Art Smart: Courtney Whetstein and Olivia Makofski tied for 4th, Kailey Davis placed 3rd, Hailey Davis placed 2nd, Jason Mach placed 1st.

8th Grade Art Smart: Celeste Rodriguez placed 6th, Mercedes White placed 5th, Jasmine Munoz placed 4th, Samantha Kalmus and Chloe Merecka tied for 2nd.

Art Smart is sponsored by Dana Kulak.

6th Grade Music Memory: Francisco Garcia and Nicholas Mrnustik tied for 3rd, Adan Alvarez placed 2nd, Jennifer Rivera placed 1st.

Music Memory is sponsored by Fred Drennan.

7th Grade Listening Skills: Lena Goff tied for 5th, Autumn Becerra placed 4th, Nadia Tabares placed 3rd.

8th Grade Listening Skills: Billie Sulak placed 6th, Abram Krushall placed 2nd.

Listening Skills is sponsored by Carol Simpson.

6th Grade Number Sense: Marcos Borges placed 6th, Blaze Chaka placed 2nd.

7th Grade Number Sense: Maria Gonzales tied for 6th, Aryan Bhakta placed 4th, Drake Bartos placed 2nd.

8th Grade Number Sense: Sarah Holt placed 5th, Chase Chumchal placed 4th.

Number Sense is sponsored by Emily Thorn.

6th Grade Mathematics: Colby Chilek placed 4th, Rachel Wittig placed 1st.

8th Grade Mathematics: Mallorie Davis placed 2nd.

Mathematics is sponsored by Lisa Steiner.

6th Grade Social Studies: Tom Elliot tied for 5th, Wil Harborth tied for 3rd.

8th Grade Social Studies: Chloe Merecka placed 2nd.

Social Studies is sponsored by Rebecca Burns.

6th Grade Dictionary Skills: Ryley Shoppa placed 5th, Tristan Downey tied for 2nd, Jessica Reyes placed 1st.

7th Grade Dictionary Skills: Trista Garza placed 1st.

8th Grade Dictionary Skills: Gabrielle Castillo placed 1st.

Dictionary Skills is sponsored by Kryste Jessen.



NEWGULF ELEMENTARY

Reported by: Sherry Shelton



PE

In PE, we have started the New Year off great. We are continuing to prepare for the upcoming Fitnessgram testing in February. In Roadrunners, two fourth grade boys have taken over as our top runners. These boys have each run 36 miles since we started running in September.

Music

It is a very busy time of year in music! We have all made time to sing Christmas carols. Fourth grade incorporated many of them into their program "Santa's Frosty Follies."

Resources

The Resource room has been very busy. As the holidays grew near, everyone was ready to go to the AR store and get Christmas presents for their families. The students brainstormed and completed a rough and final draft Dear Santa letter. Everyone handmade a Christmas card to take home for their families. Everyone is looking forward to their class Christmas parties and the holidays.

Pre-K

Pre-K is in full swing and ready for the new year. Pre-K students will be learning to write their first name. In centers, students will be working on the season of Winter. They will also be learning all about Martin Luther King.

Kindergarten

We have been studying the letters C, N, O, and F. We are continuing to learn new sounds and words on a daily basis. We already can read over a hundred words and are creating sentences to describe pictures. Science has taught us about magnets, and we had fun finding out what a magnet will attract. In math, we are learning to compose and decompose numbers to 10. In other words, we are learning about addition/subtraction using a ten frame. Our art projects in December helped create presents for our families.

First Grade

First graders have been reviewing North American countries and where Texas is on the map. They have also learned the oceans. The week of December 8 students were able to visit the AR Christmas store. Students earned money based on the number of AR points they had and were able to use the money to purchase items from the store. On December 12th, students all showed their artistic abilities while making rodeo art projects to enter in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. On December 19, students enjoyed Christmas parties and the annual Christmas program.

Second Grade

In Social Studies, students are learning how countries trade each other for goods they need. They use several different types of transportation to get goods to certain countries such as ships, trains, and planes. We also read about how things are made at factories. In Reading, students went to the Christmas AR store and spent their points on all kinds of wonderful toys and things. They are continuing to read and get their points each six weeks. In English, students continue to learn the lower case cursive letters and after Christmas break will start learning the capital cursive letters. In Math, students have started learning how to do multiplication using pictures.

Third Grade

Third grade English students have been working on How To letters. They wrote letters to a friend explaining how to take care of a pet while they were gone. They have been studying verbs in the past, present, and future tense. Third grade math students have completed a unit on estimation and rounding to the nearest 10, 100, and 1,000. Now the students are working with perimeter and are getting to measure at the same time. In third grade Social Studies, the students will be reading about the exploration of the Americas. They will learn about the accomplishments of early explorers such as Christopher Columbus, Hernando de Soto, and Samuel de Champlain. The students will also begin to learn the states and their capitals in the United States. In Science, the students will be learning about magnetism and gravity. The students will get to use 4 different objects to demonstrate how the pulling force of gravity is slowed down by air resistance on objects that are not aerodynamic and how pulling force of gravity acts equally on large and small objects.

Fourth Grade

In Fourth Grade, Science students experimented for the first time with insulators, conductors, electrical circuits, and electromagnetic fields. They built circuits to test materials for electrical conductivity, and explored using and electromagnetic field. Fourth Grade Math, took their knowledge about measuring angles a step further by using a protractor to measure angles to the nearest degree. They have also been working on using formulas to calculate area and perimeter. The students have continued working on memorizing their multiplication facts in order to be ready for the STAAR test in the Spring! Fourth Grade Language Arts has been working hard on the upcoming STAAR test. It is scheduled for March 30-31, 2015. They have also been working on Expository Essays and using strong persuasive paragraphs. In Grammar, students have been learning about Irregular Verbs in the past tense. In Reading, students have been working to develop comprehension through vocabulary, character, setting, and plot. Students have also been connecting to the content of the story.

Fifth Grade

The Fifth Grade students have been having so much fun learning. In Reading, they have incorporated Christmas with everything. They sang Christmas carols in 1st and 3rd person. They have done Christmas analogies. They also read different versions of the "The Night Before Christmas" and compared and contrasted them. In Social Studies, students are working on projects and reports about researched colonial leaders. DARE is wrapping up, as well, and the students are very busy.