

# Boling ISD Enlightenment



January 2016

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January 12, 2016 Board Meeting  
Reported by: Lindsay Mahalick

Approved to seek bids for a new school bus

Approved the Call for Board of  
Trustees Special Election to be held  
Saturday, May 7, 2016  
to fill Position #3

Approved to extend the Superintendent's  
Three Year Contract by one year to end  
June 30, 2019

## BISD Administration

Wade Stidevent, Superintendent  
Bryan Blanar, Assistant Superintendent  
Keith Jedlicka, BHS Principal  
Tim Moore, BHS Assistant Principal  
Brett Pohler, JFH Principal  
Gerald Floyd, NES Principal

## Board of Trustees

Donald Sciba, President  
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Ramona Petrosky, Member

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

## 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.



# **BOLING HIGH SCHOOL**

**Reported by: BHS Staff**



## **BHS STUDENT COUNCIL**

Student Council members organized and executed another successful Secret Santa Week, December 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>, to show teacher appreciation. Students teamed up and surprised faculty and staff with Christmas goodies and clues about their identities. Faculty and staff were to try and figure out their "Secret Santas". Thank you to all the members who participated! Student Council and FFA hosted the annual BHS Christmas Luncheon on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Guests were served fajitas by the Student Council officers. Members brought homemade baked goods for dessert. Thank you to those who came. We enjoyed seeing everyone.

## **BHS FCCLA**

FCCLA held their annual BBQ Fundraiser. We would like to thank everyone that contributed to making this fundraiser a success. FCCLA members are busy preparing for the STAR Events competition that will take place in February.

## **BHS FFA**

The Boling FFA officer team held their annual Christmas party for the FFA members on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Members participated in a white elephant gift exchange and also enjoyed dinner provided by the FFA chapter. Students of the Boling FFA chapter came together for the holiday season and hosted a food drive to collect canned good for community members in need. The canned good items collected were donated to the Coastal Plains Cowboy Church in New Gulf and Iago Federated Church in Iago. The Boling FFA Chapter is extremely grateful to everyone who donated items to the food drive! Miles Tolbert, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the Area 3 FFA Association, attended the Area 3 Elite Conference at Blinn College in Brenham, Texas on January 8<sup>th</sup>. He assisted with putting on the conference and also facilitated a leadership workshop. The Boling FFA Chapter is extremely proud of Miles' accomplishments! The chapter is also about to kick off the stock show season. We are very excited and wish every exhibitor good luck at the major stock shows!

## **BHS BAND**

On Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, three members of the BHS Band participated in the ATSSB Area band auditions. Jacob Razor placed 10<sup>th</sup> chair trumpet; Mia Hernandez placed 2<sup>nd</sup> chair alto saxophone, qualifying as a first alternate to the all-state band; Leslie Gonzalez placed 4<sup>th</sup> chair clarinet and will be in the ATSSB All-State Band for the second year in row. Congratulations to these students for their dedication and hard work!!!

## **BHS CHEERLEADERS**

The Boling High School Cheerleaders and mascot will be traveling to Arlington to participate in the UIL Spirit State Championships. They have worked hard preparing for the event. We wish them luck! Go Cheerleaders and Mascot!

## **BHS ART**

Houston Rodeo School Art Competition winners were...

Best of Show – Melina Moore

Gold Medal – Gabi Davila and Colby Bosch

These students artwork will hang for the duration of the rodeo in the Hayloft Gallery at NRG Center in Houston.



# IAGO JUNIOR HIGH

Reported by: Sarah Harborth



Iago Jr. High hosted a UIL Academic competition on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. The results are as follows:

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Calculator Applications: Brayden Biales and Leonardo Gomez were in a 4 way tie for 4<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Calculator Applications: Ariel Griffiths placed 3<sup>rd</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Calculator Applications: Drake Bartos placed 4<sup>th</sup> and Emily Woytek placed 5<sup>th</sup>.

Calculator Applications is sponsored by Bobbie Peter.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Spelling: Ana Gonzales placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Celeste Caldaza placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Spelling: Rachel Wittig placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Blaze Becerra placed 5<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Spelling: Araceli Hernandez placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Yatziri Ramirez placed placed 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Spelling is sponsored by Holly Wittig.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science I: Tristan Downey placed 2<sup>nd</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Science II: Treasure Holiday and Sara Gonzales tied for 4<sup>th</sup>.

Science is sponsored by Janice Raska.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Maps, Graphs, and Charts: Kade Sabrsula placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Harrison Lee placed 3<sup>rd</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Maps, Graphs, and Charts: Barron Weaver placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Colby Chilek placed 4<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade MGC: Preston Miller placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Masen French placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

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

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Art Smart: Carli Merecka placed 1<sup>st</sup>, David Shane Brake placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Elizabeth Genzer placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Azalynne Chilek tied for 4<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Art Smart: Krista Wittig placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Sydney Mach placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Layla Fry placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Yazlynn Angeles and Kaylynn Meek tied for 5<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Art Smart: Jason Mach placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Hailey Davis placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Kailey Davis placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Olivia Makofski placed 4<sup>th</sup>, Courtney Whetstein placed 5<sup>th</sup>.

Art Smart is sponsored by Barbara Wright.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Memory: Adrianna Garcia placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Roxanne Villeda placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Perla Blanco placed 4<sup>th</sup>, Jonathan Lopez placed 5<sup>th</sup>.

Music Memory is sponsored by Fred Drennan.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Listening Skills: Ricardo Resendez placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Listening Skills: Autumn Becerra placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Kimberly Castillo placed 4<sup>th</sup>.

Listening Skills is sponsored by Carol Simpson.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Number Sense: Ernest Barron placed 4<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Number Sense: Blaze Chaka placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Allison Ezell placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Number Sense: Drake Bartos placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Aryan Bhakta placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

Number Sense is sponsored by Emily Thorn.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics: Andrew Machart tied for 1<sup>st</sup>, Harrison Lee tied for 3<sup>rd</sup>, Azalynne Chilek placed 5<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics: Shannon Dube placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Rachel Wittig placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics: Preston Miller placed 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Mathematics is sponsored by Lisa Steiner.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies: Dillon Petrosky placed 1<sup>st</sup>, Alicia Mata placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Alexis Gonzales placed 5<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies: Peyton Wostarek placed 4<sup>th</sup>, Tom Elliott placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

Social Studies is sponsored by Rebecca Burns.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Dictionary Skills: Alejandra Hernandez placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Cali Merecka placed 4<sup>th</sup>, Hannah Deleon placed 5<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Dictionary Skills: Tristan Downey placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jessica Reyes placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Alexandra Ruiz placed 5<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dictionary Skills: Trista Garza placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, X Zavion Dobson placed 6<sup>th</sup>.

Dictionary Skills is sponsored by Kryste Jessen.



# NEWGULF ELEMENTARY

Reported by: Sherry Shelton



## PE

In PE, we are looking ahead to all the upcoming events we have approaching, such as Walk for Diabetes collection and Walk and Fitnessgram testing. We are continuing to practice and prepare for the Fitnessgram. Our top Roadrunners, two 4<sup>th</sup> grade girls and one 5<sup>th</sup> grade boy, are within six laps of one another. They are all around the 30 mile mark.

## Music

We have enjoyed a wonderful Christmas season and were able to sing our favorite Christmas Carols! We enjoyed a great program from the third grade entitled "Santa's Holiday Hoedown." We are now gearing up for the new semester. This means recorders for fourth and fifth graders.

## Resource Room

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. Now everyone is looking forward to their class Christmas parties and the New Year.

## Pre-Kindergarten

The Pre-Kindergarten classes are looking forward to the new year of 2016. The students closed the year with the neighborhood unit and learned about the special community helpers found in our community. Transportation will be our next unit of study now that the winter break is over. We will also study about winter and Martin Luther King, Jr. The students have mastered numbers 1 – 5 using the five frame. They will also begin working on patterning skills for the next few weeks.

## Kindergarten

December was an exciting month for Kindergarteners as they looked forward to Christmas. Each class was very surprised when an Elf on the Shelf visited their classroom daily. Each class named their elf: Tiny Tim (Harrell's room), Apple (Taylor's room), Sprinkles (Slaughter's room), and Joe (Sacra's room). The elves left reminders about being good so they would be on Santa's nice list. The elves even delivered a present from Santa to each Kindergartener the day of the party. Besides Christmas activities, the children were busy learning about the weather, subtraction, and continuing to add more words to their word list in Reading. They also continued learning about food traditions in families and about different kinds of animals. The children also drew their Rodeo Art for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. We wish them all good luck. Now we are counting down to the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. It won't be long!

## First Grade

First grade enjoyed going to the AR Christmas store and buying items using their points from AR tests. They also wrote letters to Santa letting him know they were good boys and girls. The students also worked on their art for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. They are anxiously awaiting to see if their picture gets a ribbon. The students enjoyed the annual Christmas program put on by the teachers and had a classroom Christmas party.

## Second Grade

Second grade Math classes are working on multiplication. Social Studies classes are reviewing the North American countries. The Science classes are learning about Earth and its resources. In Reading, students are learning about autobiographies and prefixes. English students are working on types of verbs and reviewing sentences. They are also continuing to learn cursive letters.

## Third Grade

Third graders were the stars of Newgulf as they gave a wonderful Christmas production which parents and family, along with the student body, came and watched.

Third grade students made Happy New Year decorations. Third grade math students have completed several units on fractions, such as decomposing fractions to unit fractions and then creating number sentences, naming mixed numbers on a number line and identifying equivalent fractions. The students also completed a unit on perimeter.

In Science, the students will be learning about the formation of soil. The students will get to break down rocks in various ways to understand how soil is formed. The students will also compare pictures of a forest and delta and describe the differences of the soil in each area. In Social Studies, the students will know how new ways of traveling have changed people's lives. They will learn that new ideas and machines changed people's lives throughout history. English students will learn about sensory words and how to use them on paper. Students will also take their middle of the year test.

## Fourth Grade

In the fourth grade, Social Studies students are studying the Early History of Texas. They compared the ways of life of the American Indian groups in Texas before European exploration and identified where each Indian tribe lived. In fourth grade Grammar, we are studying irregular verbs. In Spelling we are working on compound words. In Writing, we are beginning to work on Expository writing and the six types. Fourth grade is preparing every day for the STAAR Writing assessment that will be given March 29<sup>th</sup>. In fourth grade Math, students finished covering Perimeter. Math students are now learning mixed numbers and improper fractions. In Reading, students have been reading stories that bring out emotion in various ways. They have enjoyed the use of letter writing and illustration with their stories. Students also completed a book study over the popular "I Survived" series written by Lauren Tarshis. Students thoroughly enjoyed their class choice of book from the series, researching each historical event and the author.



**NEWGULF ELEMENTARY**  
**Reported by: Sherry Shelton**  
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**Fifth Grade**

Fifth grade reading students have been readily getting prepared for the end of the semester. They have neared the end of the DARE program and are looking forward to graduation. They have learned what New Year's Resolutions are and have done some writing and art projects that coincide with them in Writing. In Reading, students have learned what tricksters are in their own reading and have been able to look through various fictional texts and identify and characterize them. Math students have learned all about personal finance. They have been able to see how math is used in real world settings through their own finances.