

Boling ISD Enlightenment



MARCH 2016

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March 8, 2016 Board Meeting Reported by: Lindsay Mahalitic

- Approved the 2016-2017 School Calendar and Waivers
- Approved the 2016-2017 Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification
- Approved to purchase a new school bus
- Approved to select Simon DeSoto for the 2015-2016 TASB Media Honor Roll
- Approved the TASB-initiated Update 104 affecting local policies EEH, FB, FD, FEB, FFC and FFH
- Approved Continued Employment of Professional Personnel

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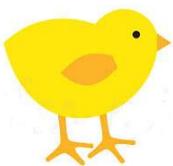
Wade Stidevent, Superintendent
Bryan Blanar, Assistant Superintendent
Keith Jedlicka, BHS Principal
Tim Moore, BHS Assistant Principal
Brett Pohler, JFH Principal
Gerald Floyd, NES Principal

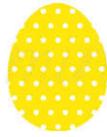
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Reminder

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.





BOLING HIGH SCHOOL

Reported by: BHS Staff



BHS FCCLA

FCCLA Members participated in the regional STAR Events competition in February. Kassandra Munoz, Samantha Flores, and Dulce Vasquez placed 4th in National Programs in Action. Maria Gonzalez, Leslie Gonzalez, and Nycole Whetstein placed 1st in Chapter in Review Display. Robin Llanas and Jalaysia Weaver placed 1st in Focus on Children. All three teams will advance to the state competition in April.

BHS STUDENT COUNCIL AND NHS

Student Council hosted their annual DASH week February 8th – 12th. Student Council vice president Callie Ramirez invited Gary Pflughaupt with A&M Agrilife Extension to speak to the student body about passenger safety. Student Council also held our annual Queen of Hearts contest on February 12th as part of DASH week. Congratulations to the 2016 Queen of Hearts, Jalaysia Weaver.

Boling Student Council hosted their annual Energy and Environment week February 22nd – 26th. Student Council members spent the week helping make students aware of different ways to conserve energy and protect the environment.

Student Council and NHS members volunteered for Habitat for Humanity on February 27th. Students helped install insulation in the Habitat for Humanity home being built in Wharton.

BHS FFA

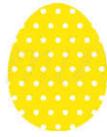
The month of February has been very busy and extremely successful for the Boling FFA Chapter. Members have been traveling all over the great state of Texas to participate in various livestock shows, while other students have been practicing and competing in CDE contests and helping out with many other FFA activities.

To start off, Lealah Bickham and Jasmine Humphrey participated and exhibited Jr. Market Steers at the Fort Worth Livestock Show. On February 4th 2016, the Boling Livestock, Entomology, and Floral teams competed at the Katy FFA Invitational CDE Contest. The livestock team placed 5th overall and team members consisted of: Caroline Gavranovic (8th high individual), Roxanne Pittman, Madison Floyd, Gabbie Svatek, Kaylor Rolf, Korbyn Rolf, Allison Jedlicka, Zach Zepeda, and Keagan Ernest. The Entomology team placed 2nd overall. Haley Gavranovic was 2nd high point individual, Aubrey Alcalá was 4th high point individual and Kirby Evelo was 7th high point individual. Team members included: Kryste Vitera, Haley Gavranovic, Kirby Evelo, Callie Ramirez and Aubrey Alcalá. The Floriculture team placed 16th overall. Team members were: Jordan Spacek, Amber Woytek, Sarah Lynch, and Samantha Kalmus. After a successful day of competing, team members competed again on Friday, February 5th, at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds in Rosenberg at the Ridge Point Invitational CDE Contest. The Boling Livestock judging team placed 1st overall. Caroline Gavranovic was 2nd high point individual, Gabbie Svatek was 6th high point individual, and Madison Floyd was 10th high point individual. The livestock judging team consisted of: Kaylor Rolf, Roxanne Pittman, Allison Jedlicka, Zach Zepeda, Keagan Ernest, Korbyn Rolf, Caroline Gavranovic, Gabbie Svatek, and Madison Floyd. The Boling Floral team placed 13th overall. Team members included: Jordan Spacek, Amber Woytek, Sarah Lynch, and Samantha Kalmus. The Boling Entomology team placed 2nd overall. Team members were: Haley Gavranovic (3rd high point individual), Kryste Vitera, Aubrey Alcalá and Callie Ramirez (tied for 9th high point individual,) and Kirby Evelo. On February 10th, the Boling FFA Officer Team hosted a town trash pick-up for the community of Boling. We had over 25 FFA members come out and help pick up trash off the side of the road. The officer team also held a teacher and staff appreciation luncheon for the high school during National FFA Week, to thank the teachers and administration for the continuous support throughout the year.

The Boling FFA Chapter had several FFA members exhibiting livestock animals at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition in San Antonio during the month of February. In the cattle barn, Kylee Joyce exhibited a Red Brangus heifer and placed 2nd in class. Laelah Bickham was Reserve Champion Jr. Division with her Red Brangus Jr. Breeding Heifer. Jr. FFA member, Camille Burns placed 3rd in her class with a Brangus heifer. Jasmine Humphrey placed 6th in class with her Jr. Market Steer. Also showing a market steer was Hailey Peters, and she placed 5th in class. Kade Bickham also participated in the San Antonio Jr. Market Steer Show. We also had three FFA members exhibiting market barrows at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition. Hailey Peters placed 3rd in her class with her Landrace hog and qualified for the premium sale. Haley Gavranovic and Gabbie Svatek also participated in the market barrow show. Caroline Gavranovic placed 1st in class with her Medium Wool Market Lamb. Caroline also made the premium sale at San Antonio. In the poultry barn, Samantha and Victoria Kalmus exhibited broilers. Samantha placed 33rd overall and qualified for the premium sale. The Dairy Cattle Evaluation team competed at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition on Friday, February 12th. They placed 24th overall and the team consisted of: Gabbie Svatek, Victoria Ritter, Dalaney Guttenburger, Kally Jo Johnson, Carly Simpson, and Maggie Merecka.

The Boling FFA Chapter would just like to thank everyone for supporting the Boling Fair Fund that took place on Saturday, February 27th, 2016. Your generosity and support is greatly appreciated! We had a great turn out this year and it is because of the continued support that we have from such a great community. Thank you for all the donations and contributions you have made to the chapter and the Boling Fair Fund. The Boling FFA Progress show is right around the corner. We will be hosting a progress show for hogs, lambs, goats and cattle at the Boling Ag Farm on Sunday, April 3rd, 2016. We will have lunch beginning at noon and the show will begin at 1pm. If you have questions, please give us a call at the Ag Department at (979)657-2672.

We would just like to thank everyone on a job well done. Your hard work and dedication has paid off! FFA members keep up the hard work and good luck at the major stock shows and future contest!



BOLING HIGH SCHOOL

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BHS ATHLETICS

The varsity softball team is currently 10-4 on the season. They have had some big wins against teams like Pflugerville Hendrickson, Austin Anderson, San Antonio Marshall, Rockport-Fulton, and Little Cypress Mauriceville. They lost their district opener to Danbury, but are working to make the rest of the season a success. The JV softball team has only played one game this season. They are traveling to Tidehaven to play the Tigers today; and will travel to Sweeny next week for a tourney!!

BHS BAND

The BHS Band recently held its spaghetti dinner. Proceeds are going toward the band trip in May. Thanks to Wharton HEB for their donation, and all who purchased tickets or donated. And special thanks to the parents and students who helped make it a success. The BHS Band performed on March 1st in the UIL Music Region 13 Concert and Sight-reading Contest. The band earned a 1st division rating for stage performance and a 2nd division rating for sight-reading. Congratulations band for a job well done! The band is currently preparing for the Spring Concert and Cake Auction on May 12 at 6:30 in the BHS Gym. Save the date!

BHS SPEECH, DEBATE, UIL

On February 13th, members of the BHS Debate team competed at the UIL District Cross Examination Debate contest at El Campo High School. The team of Christopher Machart and Jared Schindler placed 2nd and the team of Jack Wilkins and Aaron Hernandez placed 1st. Both teams will be competing at the State tournament over Spring Break in Austin.

On February 20th, members of the BHS Spelling and Journalism teams competed at the Needville UIL Invitational Meet. Chase Chumchal placed 4th in Editorial Writing, Jason Gmitter placed 4th in Headline Writing and 5th in News Writing, Esmerelda Olvera placed 4th in Spelling and the Spelling team of Esmerelda, Francisco Olvera, and Gabrielle Castillo placed 2nd overall.

On February 27th, members of the BHS Speech and Debate team competed at the Galveston Ball High School Speech tournament. The team of Jack Wilkins and Aaron Hernandez placed 7th in CX Debate and the team of Christopher Machart and Jared Schindler placed 4th. In Informative Speaking, Jack Wilkins placed 7th, Christopher Machart placed 6th, Robin Llanas placed 4th, and Aaron Hernandez received 1st place. Jack also placed 5th in Storytelling. Boling place 5th overall among the 19 schools at the tournament.

BHS SPANISH CLUB

The Spanish Club sponsored and provided a fundraiser Mexican plate along with help from parents. The proceeds of the fundraiser went to help the Sweeney family, who lost their home in a fire. The family was very appreciative and thankful for our help. They expressed how the entire community has come to help in their time of need. The meal, including donations, exceeded \$4,000. It was a total success. We are very proud of our students who stepped up and gave unselfishly of their time and money. A job well done BHS!



IAGO JUNIOR HIGH

Reported by: Sarah Harborth



Mrs. Kulak's 8th grade U.S. History classes have created Constitutional PowerPoints. Each presentation contained 7 slides and included a title and the preamble with the 6 powers given the federal government. Slides 3-5 were Article 1 thru 3 respectively. They included the 3 branches of government as well as duties for each branch. Slide 6 had articles 4-7 and had a description of the obligations of the state, the amendment process, supreme law of the land, and ratification. The final slide was reserved for the Bill of Rights including its purpose. Each student added their personal flair in designing their presentation and enjoyed learning about our Constitution.

Mrs. Wilkins has been busy helping 8th graders make graduation plans. During Mrs. Harborth's English classes, they spent a couple days in the computer lab to do some career planning. They started with Texas Reality Check. Students bought things for a sample month. The costs were totaled and then the program helped lead them to careers that would give them the salary they needed to pay for all the things they wanted and needed. It was definitely an eye-opening experience for these students! Then students used Kuder Navigator. In this program, they took a quiz about their interests to discover how to connect them to careers. When the quiz was tabulated students were shown their top 5 career fields and they could read and watch videos about jobs in their interest areas. Finally, students could view a 4 year college education plan for their career.



NEWGULF ELEMENTARY

Reported by: Sherry Shelton



Music

Music is rocking the year away! Recorders are in full swing. First grade has put on a wonderful rendition of "Cock A Doodle Dandy." We are also really enjoying the Quaver program.

PE

In PE, we have finished our Fitnessgram Testing and are glad to be playing games again. Our top Roadrunners should begin to pull away from the others as we will start running outside again. We are also looking forward to all of our upcoming events.

Resources

February has been a quick month in the Resource Room. We have continued with perimeter and are starting with area this week. The kids were itching to go to the Valentine's Party this month. Now everyone is looking forward to Spring Break.

Pre-Kindergarten

The Pre-Kindergarten classes are learning about things in nature. The classes went for a nature walk around the school to look for different items. The students collected bark that had fallen from the trees, small sticks, clover, wild flowers, acorns, and leaves. As a culminating activity, they enjoyed creating a nature picture using these items. The classes will continue working on numbers and sets 6-10. They have also participated in measuring the length of objects and weight comparison activities. They will conclude the six weeks with dental health activities. The next six weeks will be filled with weather activities.

Kindergarten Enlightenment

February started out very exciting for our Kindergarteners as they celebrated the 100th day of school. They each brought 100 items. We shared, compared, weighed, and had lots of fun with the items. We also made necklaces out of cereal and beads, put together 100 piece puzzles, played with 100 legos, 100 dominoes, along with decorating a 100 day crown. They were 100 days smarter after that. The next day, students predicted if the Groundhog would see his shadow and are so happy they found out Spring was on its way. Kindergarteners were very excited as they made their Valentine's Day bag and got to start delivering all their Valentine's treats. They had a blast opening all the goodies from their classmates, teachers, and friends. They loved their party of cookies and punch. We have been very busy learning all about Presidents and Patriots, American Monuments, weather, day and night skies, and coins. They really enjoyed learning all about keeping their teeth healthy and loved their new toothbrushes. It is hard to believe there are only 12 weeks of school left.

First Grade

First grade began the month of February by celebrating the 100th day of school on February 1. They colored in 100 gumballs in a gumball machine. They celebrated Valentine's Day with a party on February 12. The students always enjoy reading Valentine's cards they get from their friends. On February 26th, all their hard work on the music program paid off. Their music program Cock-A-Doodle Dandy was enjoyed by all, especially their parents. It's been a very busy month for our first graders.

Second Grade

Second grade Reading classes are learning about reality and fantasy. They are also talking about characters and settings. Math classes are working with numbers in the thousands. Social Studies classes are learning their states through songs. Science students are learning about the seasons, clouds and weather. English students are continuing to learn cursive letters and will soon be writing their names. They are also continuing to learn about verbs and will be starting on pronouns.

Third Grade

Third grade Math students have been comparing and ordering numbers up to six digits. They have also been comparing fractions with unlike denominators. All students have completed a Math Benchmark test. In addition, the students are still working on Accelerated Math and earning points for their passing scans. In Third grade Science, the students will identify the natural materials that were used to make common everyday items, and they will classify the objects according to the types of materials they are. In Social Studies, the students have been learning how to distinguish between spending, saving, and donating money. They have also been enjoying Geography. They will begin to learn the Eastern and Middle states. In English, the students have been learning about the writing process and learning how to answer questions on the STAAR. We have been practicing writing and going through the writing process. Students will be shown video clips about writing on the Elmo the 5th six weeks.

Fourth Grade

The Fourth Grade took a field trip to the Taste of Texas. They took a tour of the kitchen, had a lesson in Texas history, and enjoyed a great lunch provided by the restaurant. In Fourth Grade Math, we have been working on adding and subtracting fractions and measurement conversions. We also recently took a benchmark to prepare for the upcoming STAAR test in May. In Writing, we have been reviewing for the STAAR test on March 29th. The students have been working hard to learn test taking strategies and the writing process. Reading has taken a benchmark to prepare for the upcoming STAAR test.

Fifth Grade

Fifth Graders have been gearing up for benchmarks in preparation of the STAAR testing that will take place in late March. Students have been working hard practicing their skills. Reading students have been blasting off to outer space. Their unit this 6 weeks has been about space. Everyone has loved participating in reading out of this world. In Math, we have just finished Coordinate Geometry, and are preparing for the STAAR at the end of the month by doing a daily spiral review.