



Boling ISD Enlightenment

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October 10, 2017 Board Meeting
Reported by: Lindsay Mahalitic

Approved to recognize County Extension Agents as adjunct staff members and count students participating in 4-H/Extension educational activities in attendance for Foundation School Program Purposes

Approved the Reduction of Minimum Days of Service Waiver Request

Approved the 2017-2018 Compliance Plan

BISD Administration

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Keith Jedlicka, BHS Principal
Tim Moore, BHS Assistant Principal
Brett Pohler, JFH Principal
Gerald Floyd, NES Principal



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For your calendar:

October 20th - Payday

BOLING HIGH SCHOOL

Reported by: BHS Staff

NEW TO THE CAMPUS

Coach Ashley Burnside joins BHS this year, starting her 12th year of teaching. She received a Bachelor's of Science from Sam Houston State University in 2005. Before coming to Boling, she taught Biology, Forensic Science, and Anatomy and Physiology at Ridge Point High School. She is currently teaching Special Education and coaching volleyball and track.

Michelle Engrav will be joining husband Robert at the high school this year. She is thrilled to join the high school faculty as an English teacher. She has taught elementary, middle school, junior high, and high school students. This year begins her twenty-seventh year as an educator. The Engrav's have three children, Annika, Greta, and Tait, who attend Newgulf Elementary. The Engrav family enjoys spending time together outdoors, especially fishing.

Boling welcomes another husband and wife team, Shane and Fran Lothman. The Lothman's moved to the area in June. Shane is one of the new football coaches here at Boling High School, and Fran Lothman is the new Library Aide. This is Fran Lothman's 16th year working in education, and she enjoys making floral arrangements, crafts and decorating. The Lothman's have two daughters, ages 26 and 28. The youngest lives in The Woodlands and the oldest and her husband live in Wichita Falls. The Lothman's are patiently waiting someday for grandchildren, and are very excited to be a part of the Boling ISD family.

BHS also welcomes Caleb Berry, who will be teaching technology classes and coaching. Coach Berry graduated from Needville HS and received his Bachelor's as well as a Master's in Educational Technology and Leadership from Lamar University. This is Coach Berry's 3rd year teaching and coaching and 1st year at Boling.

New to the BHS Ag facility this year is Amanda Hecox who would like to give a big Howdy to everyone. She's a third generation Aggie to graduate from Texas A&M University, and majored in Agricultural Science to become an Ag teacher. She was born and raised in Katy, Texas, and graduated high school from Cypress Springs, and student taught at Katy High School. Throughout high school she was very involved in FFA which led her to love agriculture, and there has always been a part of her that wanted to teach others, so why not combine the two! Her goals are to help teach students, along with their families about true agriculture, and how agriculture touches our lives on a day to day basis.

Another addition to the BHS staff is Coach Abby Alexander, a first year teacher/coach. Coach Alexander will be helping with our high school at risk students as a pull out remediation instructor. She graduated from Texas A&M - Corpus Christi with a Bachelor of Science degree in kinesiology. She is currently coaching junior high volleyball and loves the students and staff that she gets to work with daily. With such a great start to the school year in a great district, she can only imagine how wonderful the future will be here for us at BISD.

Coach Robert Robinson joins BHS as the Head Girls' Basketball Coach and History Teacher after teaching at Ganado last year. Coach Robinson brings to BHS a long history of coaching college basketball for twenty-two years, coaching at West Texas A&M, the University of Texas at Arlington, the University of Central Florida, Texas A & M -- Corpus Christi, and Ranger College. He received his undergraduate degree at UTA and earned a Master's Degree from West Texas A&M. BHS would like to extend a big welcome to all of our new teachers and coaches!

BOLING FFA

The Boling FFA chapter would like to thank everyone for a very successful school year last year. This summer our officer team traveled to Dulles High School and participated in the District 3 Leadership camp. They met FFA members from our district and gained more knowledge on how to help build our program even more. We are getting things rolling now that we are back in school and on a normal schedule. Monday, September 25th we had our annual Greenhand Camp. The camp was hosted by our Boling FFA Officer Team. The Greenhand's participated in ice breakers, activities and learned about all the exciting events going on in our Chapter. The day was full of laughter and smiles. We had several FFA and Jr. FFA members showing at the State Fair of Texas this past week. Roxanne Pittman placed 4th in class 1 Hampshire's, and made auction. Morgan Krasucky place 7th and Ashton Sabrusla placed 9th in class 5 of the dark cross breeds. Kamryn Mears placed 9th in class 2 of the dark cross breeds. Barron Weaver placed 10th in class 2 of the Duroc's. And Haley Gavranovic exhibited a Duroc successfully. Congratulations to all of our exhibitors at the State Fair of Texas, and we wish the best of luck to Laelah Bickham and Kylee Joyce who are exhibiting their steers later this week. We are excited to get school started again. And we are looking forward to having another successful school year!

BOLING FCCLA

FCCLA has had a successful start to the school year. We currently have 76 members signed up and eager to help. FCCLA members participated in the Lion's Club Carnival this weekend. Members had an exciting time making funnel cakes and providing games for kids.

BOLING SPORTS

Currently the Varsity Volleyball team is tied for second after winning the last two games against Palacios and Edna on October 6th and 10th. Their next volleyball game is Friday, October 13th against Tidehaven. Volleyball would love for you to come out and support the team!

BHS STUDENT COUNCIL

The 2017-2018 school year has already been busy for the BHS Student Council. This year's officer team is Gabi Davila – President, Chase Chumchal– Vice President, Allison Jedlicka- Secretary, Gabbie Svatek- Treasurer and Laelah Bickham- Historian. Several of the members welcomed the teachers back by working in their classroom, decorating bulletin boards, and various projects throughout the campus. Student Council officers kicked off the first day of school with an assembly in the gym. All of the students gathered for the pledge, welcome speech from Gabi Davila, and an introduction of the teachers.

Mr. Jedlicka ended the assembly by welcoming back all students and inspiring them to have a successful year. Student Council has already had their first meeting. There were over 80 students in attendance. Club sponsors, Melanie Schubach and Amy Jacoby, are looking forward to another fun-filled year with these eager student council members. Student Council encourages the students to show their school spirit with Spirit Days every Friday. Students and teachers showing the most spirit win prizes! Student Council helped with Open House on September 18th. Members prepared baked goodies and served water to the guests on campus. Student Council hosted their first blood drive of the school year on September 21st. We had over 35 donors! Thank you to all those who came out and donated. Three lives are saved with each donation. Our next blood drive is scheduled for November 29th. Student Council hosted Parents Night on Friday, September 29th. Varsity Football, Volleyball, Cross Country, Cheerleaders and many seniors honored their parents at this special event. Thank you to all the parents and family members who participated this year.

Student Council held Class Officer Elections this September. The Class Officers for 2017-2018 are:

Seniors

President – Haley Gavranovic
Vice President – Victoria Davila
Secretary – Gabi Davila
Treasurer – Luke Wostarek
Reporter – Dulce Vazquez

Juniors

President – Chase Chumchal
Vice President – Allison Jedlicka
Secretary – Samantha Kalmus
Treasurer – Laelah Bickham
Reporter – Madison Floyd

Sophomores

President – Preston Miller
Vice President – Samantha Pospisil
Secretary – Aryan Bhakta
Treasurer – Damion Castro
Reporter – Alaysha Castillo

Freshmen

President – Layla Fry
Vice President – Jacob Kalina
Secretary – Colby Chilek
Treasurer – Rachel Wittig
Reporter – Peyton Wostarek

BHS YEARBOOK

Several members of the BHS yearbook staff, Amber Orsak, Hailey Davis, Damian Castro and Wil Harborth, attended the Josten's Summer Yearbook Camp in July where they had intensive training on creating a yearbook, designing a yearbook and promoting yearbook. Students had to create mock up designs for the cover, endsheets, dividers, people section, etc. These were judged and Boling HS yearbook's division design won over all the other schools. These student's also were able to design the 2018 yearbook cover and theme "Breaking Through". Thanks to them the 2018 yearbook is off to a fantastic start.

IAGO JUNIOR HIGH

Reported by: Sarah Harborth

Greetings from Iago Junior High! We are excited to finally get the school year started and excited to have so many new faces on our campus. Our new faculty/ staff members are Carman Tanner, Kevin Kelley, Michael Lynch, Kelly Sweat, Sha'Tiara Runnels, Christina MacDonald, Holly Martinez, Bonnie Sharp, and Michelle West. Welcome to IJH!

Open House was held on September 19th. It was a fun evening of getting to meet parents and enjoying snacks provided by our Student Council. As usual, we had a great turn out. Our students just love Open House night.

The new yearbook staff has been busy. They held a contest for designing the cover of this year's yearbook. All IJH students were eligible to participate. Students submitted a drawing for the cover and the yearbook staff chose the top 15 designs that were then recreated on the sidewalks of IJH using sidewalk chalk. The 15 students drew their designs during homeroom last Thursday. The winner will be chosen by the yearbook staff and Mr. Pohler and will be revealed in May at the yearbook signing party. Stay tuned to find out who won!

Our yearbook staff for the 2017-2018 school year are:

7th grade: Rachel Arriaga, Payton Calk, Zeni Elliott, Ross Hough, Haylea Kostelnik, Aubrey Matula, Anareina Rivera, Kate Salas, Elise Sharp

8th grade: Azalynne Chilek, Garrett Delgado, Xavier Diaz, Liz Genzer, Ana Gonzalez- Editor, Damian Kocian, Karis Meek, Maegan Munoz- Co-Editor, Ashlyn Rodriguez, Kimberly Santillan, Abigale Siska.

Our Yearbook Staff and Student Council are having a silent auction at our first home football game this Thursday beginning at 4:15. There are over 50 items to bid on. Come show your support for the Bullpups!

NEWGULF ELEMENTARY

Reported by: Cathy Schoenfield

School has finally started after much anticipation of the flood! Prekindergarten students are learning how to get along with others, making new friends and learning the school rules. They are learning to recognize their first name and the beginning letter of their name. Students have been introduced to the calendar which includes days of the week, months of the year and the number of days they have been in school. The students have done a variety of color activities and learned many new songs about colors. We look forward to a busy, productive year.

Our Kindergarteners have been busy learning the rules, practicing their handwriting, learning numbers 1-5, the colors red, yellow, blue and orange, and the five senses. They have learned all about families too. They were very excited to change the season to fall.

Everyone is working hard in the resource room. The students decorated fall designs for the classroom. We have introduced multi-step math word problems and are working towards matching our labels and solving word problem step by step. We will be measuring soon!

We have gotten off to a good start in the library. Our enthusiastic readers are enjoying many new books. Book Fair will be coming up November 6-10. We have a western theme this year and will have a "Go Texan" day during book fair week. I look forward to a great year serving our students in the library. I enjoy seeing them come through my door and being a part of their love of reading, Read on!!!

Our first grade students have really taken off! We have been working hard on reading our library books and taking AR tests. Student have really began to master these tests and have been getting AR points Some of the kids have reached or are getting very close to the 5 point club. Students have been learning about base ten units and place value in math. In Science, we learned about science tools, and all about how scientists work. We have also buckled down on rules and responsibilities at school. We are excited for the new school year!

In math the second grade is working on place value charts, two dimensional shapes, and odd and even numbers. In Social Studies, students worked on a unit about Celebrating Texas and the Nation. In Science, they did a unit on what a scientist' job is and the tools they use for the job. In Handwriting, students are reviewing their D'Nealian printing letters. In English, we have been working on complete sentences, types of sentences, and the subject of sentences. In Reading, students are reading library books and taking AR tests.

Third grade reading classes have been introduced to author's purpose and persuasive texts. They will be reviewing character, setting, plot, main idea, cause and effect, and drawing conclusions. We have discovered personification, alliteration and onomatopoeia in a variety of texts.

So far this year Wolf! has been one of the third grade reading students favorite class texts.

In Science and Social Studies we are off to a great start! We have completed our beginning of the year tests and will soon start getting our Science notebooks together. We will be discussing the rules and requirements for how to keep up with our science notebooks. The students will get a chance to decorate the cover of their notebook during art class. As soon as the notebooks are taken care of we will start to go over science safety rules and tools. Student safety always comes first. The science classroom and outdoor areas, including the schoolyard habitat, present unique challenges in maintaining a safe working environment. Even though students have been taught safety rules and the use of safety equipment since kindergarten, reviewing safety procedures with each classroom, laboratory, or field investigation remains a priority. Students will receive a copy of school or safety rules, and sign a safety contract promising their responsible behavior. In Social Studies the students will be learning about communities. They will get to read about why people choose to settle in different types of communities, and learn the different qualities that make up a good community.

Third grade English classes have been reviewing cursive and reviewing types of sentences and Capitalization and punctuation. Students have written a story using the concept of focusing on one thing. They drew a picture of themselves showing what they look like, wearing their favorite clothes, doing their favorite activity. They could choose one of the three to write about. It helped them to focus on one thing in their writing.

Students in fourth grade Science started creating an Interactive Notebook. Their notebook will include activities, foldables, vocabulary, and notes.

Fourth grade Reading classes have been working on comprehension strategies and skills. We have been focusing on story elements, plot, sequencing, and summarizing. The students are enjoying their interactive notebook activities to help strengthen skills.

This month in 4th grade ELA, we are working on topic sentences, common and proper nouns, common spelling patterns, and dependent clauses.

Fifth grade is excited to have students back in Fifth grade after a long summer. We have been kicking off the year in reading with historical fiction stories. AR is in full swing. Students are excited that we are participating again with BOOK IT.

Social Studies classes are enjoying our "Story Time" as we step back in history with our lessons.

Students are also enjoying our discussions of current events and making learning fun! In Math we have focused on decimal place value for the first few weeks. We have now started two dimensional figures and built on what they know about division.

In Science we are learning how to conduct investigations on the properties of matter (ie: mass, magnetism, density, solubility and states of water.