



Boling ISD Enlightenment

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September 8, 2015 Board Meeting
Reported by: Lindsay Mahalitic

The Board 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.

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Reminder

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BOLING HIGH SCHOOL

Reported by: BHS Staff

New to the Campus:

New staff members at the high school for the 2015-16 school year include Michael Austin, Kendyl Ford, Stephen Dorr, Zach Whitt, and Jerry Young.

Shared by both the High School and the Junior High, Coach Michael Austin will be helping with Math Acceleration at the high school in the afternoon. Originally from Sweeny, Coach Austin recently coached at Friendswood ISD. Austin attended Sam Houston State University where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education. Coach Austin said he “enjoys working with children; it is a challenge but it is fun.” He said everyone has been very welcoming.

Hired last year as the new Athletic Director, Coach Stephen Dorr comes to Boling ISD from Angleton, where Dorr operated as the offensive coordinator. Born in Akron, Ohio, Dorr received a Bachelor of Science in Geography with a minor in philosophy from Morehead State University in Kentucky. When asked about his philosophical approach to the sport of football, Dorr immediately responded with the saying “repetition is the mother of all learners.” A fan of famous basketball coach John Wooden, Dorr hopes to bring a new sense of passion, commitment, and possibility to Boling Athletics. Married to Emily, the Dorr's have two daughters: Shiloh (age 5) and Karis (age 3).

A familiar face to Boling ISD, Kendyl Ford returns to the high school this year as our new librarian aide. Ms. Ford recently received her Bachelors of Fine Arts Degree from Texas State University and is also continuing her education to obtain her teaching certificate. Ms. Ford is “committed to helping the students with any and all of their library needs,” she said. “My role is to support students in their efforts to read books for pleasure and information, completing assignments, research projects, and to help assist them in learning to search the Web.”

Growing up and attending school in Boling, Ms. Ford said she is “thrilled to be the new librarian aide.”

Teaching World History, U. S. History, and AP American History, Coach Zach Whitt comes to Boling from Angleton High School, where he taught various subjects from Physical Education to AP Economics. Originally from West Columbia, Whitt went to school at Columbia High School. There, he participated in football, baseball, and power lifting, along with various other student organizations. He then went on to graduate from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's of Science in Kinesiology. Whitt has been married to his wife, Cally, for 3 years, and currently resides in Angleton, Tx.

AP Government and Politics, World History, and Economics will be taught by Coach Jerry Young this year. Young received his BA and MAT degrees from Austin College, a small Liberal Arts college located in Sherman, Texas. After serving in the United States Army and Texas National Guard, Coach Young began his teaching and coaching career 26 years ago. Sandy, his wife of 33 years, is also a professional educator currently employed in Angleton, Texas. The Youngs have 2 sons and 4 grandchildren.

Welcome aboard Ms. Ford and Coaches Austin, Dorr, Whitt, and Young to the high school family.

Student Council

The 2015-2016 school year has already been busy for the BHS Student Council. The officer team worked over the summer to begin organizing the beginning of the year activities. This year's officer team is Cruz Raymond – President, Callie Ramirez – Vice President, Hannah Ortiz- Secretary, Cami Hill - Treasurer and Sierra Ganske - Historian.

Several of the members welcomed the teachers back by working in their classroom, decorating bulletin boards, and various projects throughout the campus. The Student Council welcomed the teachers back with healthy treats. Freshmen orientation was a successfully hosted by the Student Council on August 21st at 10:00 am. Officers talked to upcoming freshmen about getting involved in the various clubs and organizations on campus. Teachers were introduced and many upperclassmen representative from various clubs spoke about how to join their clubs. Mr. Jedlicka addressed the freshmen concerning expectations along with words of encouragement. 9th grade students were then given a tour of 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 Cruz Raymond, and an introduction of the teachers from Sierra Ganske. 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, Mrs. Melanie Schubach and Mrs. 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. The August 30th game against the Palacios Sharks was to “Hook the Sharks.” Congratulations to our spirit winners- Mrs. Salas, Serena Antone and Aaron Hernandez. Also, congratulations to our winner for the September 4th game- “Make the Raiders See Double”- Coach Bush and Coach Macek, Dominique Rodriguez and Paiton Kalina, and Brittany Pless and Claire Winkenwerder. Thank you to all those who participate in the spirit days and support our bulldogs!!!

Student Council hosted Parents Night on September 4th before the football game. Parents of seniors, Varsity Football players, Varsity Volleyball players, Cross Country and Cheerleaders were honored and recognized. Thank you to the parents for your continuous support.

Thank you to BHS FCA for handing out special gifts for each parent.

Congratulations to the 2015-2016 Class Officers:

Freshmen

Chase Chumchal, President

Allison Jedlicka, Vice President

Madison Floyd, Secretary

Laelah Bickham, Treasurer

Samantha Kalmus, Reporter

Sophomores

Antonio Garcia, President
Haley Gavranovic, Vice President
Roxanne Pittman, Secretary
Jaci Arbing, Treasurer
Carly Simpson, Reporter

Juniors

Megan Chumchal, President
Serena Antone, Vice President
Jason Gmitter, Secretary
Marco Jimenez, Treasurer
Kymber Garza, Reporter

Seniors

Callie Ramirez, President
Harold Taylor, Vice President
Hannah Ortiz, Secretary
Maria Gonzalez, Treasurer
Cruz Raymond, Reporter

FCCLA

FCCLA held their first meeting to sign up members for the new school year. There was a great turn out and everyone seems really eager to work hard. FCCLA officers also handed out bracelets at freshman orientation to promote FCCLA and Teens in the Driver's Seat.

FFA

The Boling FFA Chapter is off to a great start this school year! We held our first Jr. FFA meeting on Tuesday, September 1st, and our first FFA meeting on Thursday, September 3rd. If you did not get a chance to make the Jr. FFA meeting, our next meeting will be held on October 6th, and students may sign up to be in Jr. FFA then. All Jr. FFA meetings will be held the first Tuesday of every month and will start at 6:30p.m. in the Ag shop. We will also be sending out emails as reminders for your convenience.

The annual meat and cookie sale began Tuesday, September 1st, 2015. Orders and money are due by Friday, September 18th to any Boling FFA Advisor. The meat and dessert items will be delivered to the school before the Thanksgiving holidays. If you are interested in purchasing any items, please contact an FFA or Jr. FFA member. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Ag Department at (979)657-2672.

Our annual Green hand Camp will be held on Monday, September 21st for any first year FFA member. Boling FFA members will be exhibiting livestock animals at the State Fair of Texas at the end of September. Be sure to like the Boling FFA Facebook Page and check out the Boling FFA Website for more information on upcoming dates and events at <http://www.boling.fffanow.org/>. The Boling FFA officer team and advisors have many activities planned for the upcoming year and we look forward to your participation!

FCA

The BHS Fellowship of Christian Athletes started the year out with a bang. Teachers were given a copy of a special prayer and student lockers were stuffed with encouraging Bible verses. Officers hosted a TACO Tuesday afterschool to kick the year off. Parent Appreciation bags were handed out to all parents who participated in the Parents Night Ceremony before the first home Football Game. Preparations are being made for the annual See You at the Pole which will be held on September 23 at 7:30 am in front of the High School.

Junior Class

The Junior Class held a silent auction fundraiser before the first home game and are planning a Chicken Noodle Soup and Sandwich Fundraiser in November to raise money for PROM.

IAGO JUNIOR HIGH

Reported by: Sarah Harborth

IJH Student Council hosted a back to school tour for all incoming 6th graders on August 5th. Parents and students were given a tour of the campus and got to meet the teachers for the upcoming year.

This year's Student Council:

8th Grade:

President - Aryan Bhakta
Vice President- Preston Miller
Secretary- Drake Bartos
Historian- Emily Gmitter
Kailey Davis
Dakota Metting

7th Grade:

Treasurer- Blake Arriaga
Rudy Becerra
Shannon Dube
Rachel Wittig

6th Grade:

Kylee Joyce
Kade Sabrsula
Marc Mendoza
Harrison Lee

Our first football game is September 17th. This year's IJH Cheerleaders are 8th Grade: Kimberly Castillo (Head), Tori Arrington, Cesley Campos, and Logan Simpson; 7th Grade: Shannon Dube, Layla Frey, and Peyton Wostarek; 6th Grade: Kylee Joyce.

Our yearbook staff is currently designing this year's custom cover. Our theme is "Don't Blink". The yearbook staff is extremely excited to create this school year's book. Yearbooks officially go on sale September 15th at Open House. They cost \$25 and after October 31st the cost is \$28.

This year's staff includes: Hailey Sanchez- Editor; Skylar Albert, Gracie Bosch, Damion Castro, Colby Chilek, Hailey Davis, Allison Ezell, Lena Goff, Maria Gonzalez, Josie Huddleston, Jason Mach, Olicia Makofski, Alana Merecka, Lexie Nelson, Samantha Pospisil, and Emily Woytek.

NEWGULF ELEMENTARY

Reported by: Sherry Shelton

PE

In PE, we are off to a great start. We have been learning our exercises to prepare for the Fitnessgram. We are also learning some new games as well as playing some old favorites. We are looking forward to an awesome year.

Music

Music has begun! We have a brand new curriculum that allows the kids to manipulate music and create a style that is their own! We are having a blast exploring beats and instrumentation at a whole new level!

Resource Room

Everyone tackled the first week of school and started off the year great. The children have been working hard getting back into the routine of school. We have been working on patterns and fractions in math class. The students really enjoy coming up with their own patterns and playing the pizza fraction game. Everyone is looking forward to a great school year!

Pre-Kindergarten

Pre-Kindergarten had a great start this year. They are learning how to recognize their names, recognize colors, listen and retell stories. Through socialization, they are experiencing new friendships. They are learning responsibility through bringing folders back and learning the new routines of school. Lots of new songs and dances are being learned through music and movement.

Kindergarten

The beginning of school for our Kindergarteners has gone smoothly. Mrs. Harrell and Mrs. Sacra would like to welcome two new Kindergarten teachers Mrs. Slaughter and Mrs. Taylor. There are fitting in perfectly. The Kindergarteners have been busy learning all the school rules as well as already learning new words like I and can. They have started on their color words, red and yellow and numbers 1-4 in Math. Most of all, Kindergarteners are making new friends in school.

First Grade

First grade started out the year with our annual meet the teacher night. It was nice seeing all the parents and meeting the students before school started. The first day of school went very well, we discussed school, classroom, and bus rules. Students are starting to learn addition facts and they are reading books and taking AR tests.

Second Grade

In Second grade Ms. Prochaska's Science students are learning about safety rules that are used during experiments. Her Social Studies class is learning about the patriotic symbols of Texas. Mrs. Rolf's Reading students have taken the Star Test in the computer lab and are starting the Accelerated Reading and Texas Treasures programs. Mrs. Stolle's Math students are learning about even and odd numbers. They have also started the Accelerated Math Program. In Mrs. Guin's class students are learning to write first and last names. In English they are learning about the four types of sentences.

Third Grade

Third grade is off to a great start! The year started off with beginning of the year tests in each class. In English students completed their first journal topic in which they wrote about a favorite game they like to play. We used their journal writing to talk about staying on topic and then talk about the Writing Process. They will also play a game called Battle of the Process. Students will review what a sentence is put it to practice in a sentence game. Reading students are working on character, setting, and plot. Students also made welcome apples to welcome everyone back to a new school year. In Science students are doing many things. They began by testing and getting their Science notebooks together. We will be discussing the rules and requirements for how to keep up with the Science notebooks. The students will get a chance to decorate the cover of their notebooks 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. 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. In Third grade Math, all students have completed their Beginning of the Year Test. The students are now working on place value. They have also started Accelerated Math and are excited about scanning to see how they did on their practices.

Fourth Grade

In Fourth grade Science students are beginning to create their Interactive Notebooks by inserting guidelines, rules, a rubric, foldable basics, Science tools, and the Scientific Method. These notebooks are used to write down information about their scientific observations and their questions during the year. In Math, we have been working on setting up our Math interactive journals. The students have started the unit on place value. They are learning how to write numbers in standard, expanded, and word form through the billions place. In Language Arts, Fourth grade completed their Beginning of the Year Test. In writing, students have started daily journaling with prompts. Fourth grade is learning the order of the Writing Process with playing the Battle of the Process hands on game. We have covered complete sentences and fragments. We have started our first week of Spelling with using short vowel words. In Reading, students have completed their Beginning of the Year Test. The students have completed their Star test to see what reading level they are on. The Fourth grade will be going to the library to check out books. The students will be ready to take Accelerated Reading test.

Fifth Grade

The first week of school has settled in, and we are excited to get the routine of school rolling. In Social Studies students will be learning about the first Americans, their civilizations, cultures, and ways they adapted to their new environment.

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In Spelling students will be learning words with short vowels. Students will be working on writing a descriptive story this six weeks. The DARE program will begin soon with Officer Bill. In Reading students are anxiously awaiting the start of AR. Everyone is excited about the unit on the Civil Rights Movement we will be covering the 1st 6 weeks. In Science, we have put together our interactive journals to use all year. We learned about Science safety and how to properly do labs and experiments in the classroom. Math students have started the year off strong with place value. Students have gotten to see how the stations will work in the classroom each week, as well as put together their interactive notebooks.