Welcome back to school and to the future, 2015!!

If you grew up in the 80’s like I did, you probably remember a movie called “Back to the Future” (1985). In the 1989 sequel, “Back to the Future II” (not as good as the original), Marty and Doc went into the future year 2015. As an 18 year old in 1989 I was intrigued with all the advancements that were in store for us in 2015. We were to see skateboard hover crafts, Nike self-tie shoes, plasma TV screens and even a glass phone. We have seen some of these go into production, while others still remain fictional and are seen only in the movies. Reflecting on this movie, I come away with two things. One, what is 2045 going to be like? I have been blown away in the last 5 to 10 years with the advancements in technology. What is going to be the next best thing? I do enjoy these advancements; however, I do not believe all of these help our society as a whole. I often feel that it actually separates us from social interactions that are so crucial to being a human. This leads me into my second observation from the movie, how fast 30 years goes by. I was 14 in 1985, the same age as the 8th graders at HMS. I am sure the next 30 years will go just as fast, if not faster. I will be 74, wow! This makes me want to invent a machine that will slow life down.

I hope that over the break you had the time to relax and enjoy your family and friends. We often get caught up in the busyness of life and do not really take the opportunity to enjoy spending time with those that we love. I know that a lot of my time was spent on the phone interacting with people or games that do not really matter to me while the ones that I care about the most were only a feet away, but may have well been miles away. Throughout 2015, take the time to put down the technology and interact with those who matter the most to you, the ones that you can hug and kiss. Otherwise, one day you are going to wish that there was a machine that could take you back in time. Make it a great 2015, or not, the choice is definitely yours.

Regards,
Jeff Smith, Principal
Harpool Middle School
jsmith@dentonisd.org
940-369-1700

I am pleased to report that all PTA membership cards have been distributed! If you have not received yours, or if you have any questions, don’t hesitate to let me know.

If you are new to the area and would like to become a member of the Harpool PTA, please contact me at: Missy_tx@verizon.net.

Becoming part of the PTA is a great way to stay involved in your child’s education. It also gives you an opportunity to meet other families in the community through volunteering at school functions. We would love for you to be a part of our family.

Thank you,

Missy Raymond
Membership Chair
Harpool Middle School
Missy_tx@verizon.net
If you have any questions about our current PTA budget please contact Terrie Wendel, Harpool PTA Treasurer or Leslie Haralson, Harpool PTA President at HMSPTA@zoho.com.
Little Caesars Pizza Kits

Little Caesars Pizza Kits are fun to make and delicious to eat! 
You’ll want them on hand for quick dinners, 
tasty snacks, birthday parties or entertaining. 
Customers who ordered these last year WISH they had ordered more! 

Sale ends January 20th! 
Delivery is Jan 29-Just in time for the Super Bowl!

Order today from this link: 
https://www.pizzakit.com/Login

Products ordered for school group delivery will be available for pick up 
in the cafeteria January 29th starting at 3pm.

Group Name: Harpool Middle School PTA 
Fundraiser ID: 287797

*If you prefer to pay by check/cash, there are order forms in the front office. 
Please make checks out to Harpool PTA. 

*NEW THIS YEAR: Soft pretzel crust pepperoni pizza kit available. YUM!

I’m sure you will love your Little Caesars Pizza Kits! 
Contact Christy Stewart with any questions at kcestewart9499@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your support!
From HMS Administration...

“Was your child absent?”

When your child is absent, we ask that you please turn in all notes to the front office within 72 hours of returning to campus.

Please do not turn in notes to the classroom teacher.

By following the simple rule, you could save yourself from unnecessary problems.

If you have any questions about attendance, please give us a call:

Denton ISD Student Support Services
940-369-0290

Harpool Traffic Flow

As the weather is getting colder we are seeing more and more and more cars in the parent lane. Here are a few tips to make the trip to and from Harpool more enjoyable.

1. Be familiar with the traffic pattern.
   Please click the link below to view the Harpool Traffic Pattern:
   http://www.dentonisd.org/Domain/7307

   NOTES:
   Parent Lane will be DOUBLE/ONE WAY TRAFFIC all the way through the lane until you get to the last curve before student drop off, then it goes to single lane.
   ATHLETES will only be dropped off/picked up by the gym during designated times. ALL OTHER STUDENTS will be dropped off/picked up by the CAFETERIA entrance.
   Bus Lane will be in front of the school, in the “horseshoe” drive. NO PARENT DROP OFF/PICK UP in the front parking lot. If you need to come in to the building you may still use the front parking lot. (15 min Parking spots)

2. Try to get as many students out of the cars at one time.
   The more cars that drop off students, the quicker the line will go. The less cars that drop off students, the slower the line will go. Try this math problem. Start at 100 and subtract by 10 until you get to 0. Then start at 100 and subtract by 5 until you get to 0. Which one was quicker? If you are the first car please pull up to the line (flag) to drop off all other cars along the curb should drop off as well. If we can get out at least 10 students per stop, the line will move much faster.

3. Be safe and courteous
   Please do not use cell phones in the parent lane and be on the look-out for all of our kids.
   Please slow down in the school zone. (20mph)
   Please be courteous to everyone in the parent lane. (other drivers, school personnel and students)
   Please use your blinkers so we know which way you are turning.

4. Use this time to talk to your child. (school, sports, life, decisions, sing together, tell jokes)

Thank you for your support.
Oh! Whata Night

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HARPOOL MIDDLE SCHOOL
DINE IN & DRIVE THRU

DON’T MISS A NIGHT OF
FUN, FOOD AND FRIENDS!
Harpool Headlines

Harpool Pet Supplies Collection

Thank you to everyone who donated dog and cat items. Harpool Middle School was able to donate a box full of items that included dog food, treats, blankets, beds, leashes, collars, and toys to Apollo Support and Rescue. The students of Mrs. Hutson’s Family and Community Services class also had a large box of dog toys that they had made for the organization. These toys were made out of old socks, empty water bottles, and old t-shirts. Most of the time the rescued animals don’t get treats and toys so the donations will help them to stay busy and feel loved.

A foster parent from Apollo came to visit with the students of Mrs. Hutson’s 3rd period Family and Community Services class and talked about why we should adopt from rescue centers and never buy from breeders or pet stores. She also talked to the children about how to volunteer and where. She brought 3 dogs with her. Two were rescued dogs and adopted by the speakers that came to visit and one was a puppy that was up for adoption. The students really loved playing with the dogs.

Harpool Pet Adoption

The Pet Adoption event was held on December 7. At this event, 2 cats were adopted and there are 3 strong possibilities of dogs being adopted. The cold weather and rain did not help with the adoption, but being able to find 2 guaranteed loving homes for 2 cats and 3 possible homes for dogs was worth it.

We hope to hold another adoption event and item collection project in the spring. If you would like more information, please contact Apollo Support and Rescue.

Find them on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/ASR62811
or visit their website at http://apollosupportandrescue.org
Harpool Headlines

Holiday Cheer!

The Harpool staff and students participated in a door decorating contest in the weeks before the break.

The winner was Miss Herron’s class.

Staff Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest winner was Mrs. Maxwell.

Congratulations to all!!!

In the news...

Harpool Symphonic Band was in the Cross Timbers Gazette on Monday, November 17, 2014. Click the link below if you missed it.


A page has been set up on the Harpool website with information on how corporate and individual sponsorship donations can be made.

http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/26753
Harpool Teacher Prepares for Texas IRONMAN Event

On top of his teaching duties and role as a parent and husband, 6th grade reading teacher Michael Guynes has taken on the challenge of training to compete in the Texas IRONMAN on May 16th 2015 in The Woodlands, Texas to raise money for Save the Children. The IRONMAN is a 2.4-mile swim, followed by a 112-mile bike ride and ends with a full marathon. All money raised from this event will go to raise awareness and funds for helpless children around the world and in the United States.

Michael’s personal fundraising goal is to raise $15,000, which will go a long way to help bring a better future and quality of life for children. He must at least raise $5,000. He is currently seeking financial donations to help him meet his fundraising goals. Currently, Michael has raised $2,790 for Save the Children. Please consider making a financial donation to Save the Children to help Michael in his journey to help children in need.

The link to his fundraising page is http://www.savethechildren.org/faf/donorReg/donorPledge.asp?event=1110796&supid=412536846
Anyone interested in knowing more about Save the children can also go to their link at http://results.savethechildren.org/site/c.evKZldONiJaH/b.8601599/k.BFD3/Home.htm

Remember that Harpool continues to collect all of those rewards that you were used to in elementary school. We collect and submit Box Tops for Education, Labels for Education, Coke Rewards, Kellogg’s Family Rewards, Tyson A+ Rewards, and anything else you can think of!

Rewards are collected through the Advisory classes with the winning classes earning a party each grading cycle. Ms. Weems’s class won the first cycle and Mrs. Allen’s won this last one. All total, Harpool has collected and submitted over $400 in rewards so far this year, so keep those clippings coming!

Refer to last 2 pages of every newsletter for program information!

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All-Region: Audition winners from Harpool represented themselves and their school with pride December 12 - 13 at the All-Region rehearsals and concert. They got the chance to rehearse with esteemed clinicians for close to 8 hours… and THEN performed a concert! Our musicians are tough, dedicated people.

UIL: Preparations are already well underway for the UIL competition in March. Our orchestras have the chance to perform some great repertoire. Their music is beautiful, exciting, and very challenging!

6th Grade: Our 6th graders are really stepping up. They spent the Fall semester soaking up every piece of music we gave them, and show no signs of slowing down! They will make a dynamite 7th grade group next year.

Check us out on Facebook!

https://www.facebook.com/HarpoolMiddleSchoolOrchestras
Winter can be a challenging time for the mind, body, and soul. The days are shorter. People wake up in the dark and get home from work, school, activities, etc. in the dark. It’s too cold to spend much time outside and we start to feel cooped up in the house! The holidays are over and it seems like spring is so far away. Taking care of your mental health and wellness becomes increasingly important during winter. Here are my favorite tips to nurture your mind, body, and soul during this season (and all seasons!)

1. Give yourself a break! Feelings are feelings. Let them come as they will, recognize them, be nice to them, and continue moving forward.
2. Take care of your physical health. Eat well (but still allow yourself small indulgences!), sleep enough, exercise, and drink your water!
3. Do something for others. Giving back provides a meaningful experience for you and boosts your sense of wellbeing.
4. Have fun! Give yourself permission to do something you enjoy.
5. Laugh! Laughing is good for your physical, mental, and social health. It promotes bonding and strengthens your immune system.
6. Build mastery! Do things, however small, that make you feel accomplished and confident. Make sure to recognize your success. No success is too small to recognize!

Counselors have been busy preparing Project Aware, advisory lessons, and guidance lessons for our Harpool Longhorns! Ms. Kent and Ms. Price, along with Guyer High School Career Counselors have been busy the last few weeks helping our 8th Graders develop their 4 year plans for High School. Their course selections are available on Naviance. The 8th Grade students have enjoyed thinking about and planning their futures! While only 8th Graders were planning their endorsements for High School, the whole school participated in College Week. HMS teachers and staff shared their college experiences with the students. The school also participated in a contest voting for their favorite colleges. Money raised from the competition went to a college scholarship through the Denton Public School Foundation.

Advisory lessons have focused on study skills, stress management, Veteran’s Day, and college planning. Upcoming lessons will be on mental health awareness, Career Day, healthy communication, diversity, and smart spending.

Project Aware will be held monthly and begins in January!

Project Aware, Advisory Lessons, and Guidance Lessons

7. Choose to “see beauty even in the common things of life.” Search for the positive and make a commitment to fill your day with as many positive experiences as possible.

Stress can cause physiological changes in your body. Combat stress by making a conscious effort to care for your mental health and wellness. You deserve it! You are worth being your #1 priority. After all, if you can’t care for yourself, how will you care for others? Do as the airlines say and put your own “oxygen mask” on first so that you are able to help others with theirs.

Be well!
-Sable Gonyea

Counselor’s Corner

Taking Care of Your Mental Health and Wellness

UPCOMING DATES:
1/15/15 — Community Mental Health Forum @ UNT Gateway Center Ballroom
1/19/15 — Martin Luther King Day (No School)
1/23/15 — Career Day
2/2/15 — Freshman Transition Night
2/3/15 — 9th Grade Course Selections
2/4/15 — High School Q&A Meeting
February and March — 5th, 6th, and 7th Grade Course Selections

*Watch your e-mail inboxes for specific times, dates, and important information!
**Valentine’s Day Dance**

*Friday, February 13th*

*3:30-5:30pm*

*All Students Invited!*

*$5.00 per ticket*

*Sponsored by Harpool Student Council*

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**Educational Travel**

**Meeting - Tuesday, February 3rd at 6:30pm in A104**

Please join us for an information meeting about Harpool’s growing tradition of Educational Tours with 20 people signed up to travel with us this summer. The meeting will take place at Harpool in Room A104. Parents may park and enter through the front doors of the building. The meeting will begin at 6:30 and will be approximately 30-45 minutes. Even if you can’t stay the whole time, please come by as you can and hear about the exciting opportunity and benefits of student educational travel. (Small snacks will be provided)

No registration or RSVP is needed, but if you want info and are unable to make it, please contact trip sponsor Mr. Turek at tturek@dentonisd.org or visit our official tour sites:


I hope you all had an awesome relaxing break.

Please remember to use caution while driving your students to school. It is cold out, so that means more traffic. More traffic means more people not paying attention. Please use turn signals and watch for students crossing the road. Please following directions of the person directing traffic. Also, please remember you are in a school zone, the speed limit is 20mph until you are completely out of the school zone. If you decide to drop your student off at the gym entrance you still have to get back into drop off lane. Do not cut through the road between Harpool and Blanton!!

To avoid ALL of the problems above... car pool, have them ride the bus, or bundle your students up and let them walk to school. They will survive the Texas winter.. I promise they will be okay.

May everyone start off with a blessed, and happy 2015. If you need anything or have any questions feel free to contact me anytime.

Deputy Wilkinson
kwilkinson99@dentonisd.org

The seasons for the boys & girls basketball and cross country teams are well underway!

Track & field is up next.
Thank you for supporting our students and all of our Harpool athletic programs!

Harpool Boys Athletics - Facebook
Harpool Girls Athletics - Facebook
Harpool Athletics - School Website
Rank One Sport - Website

Click on a picture above to go directly to that Harpool webpage for general team information and this season's schedules for each sport!

Admission to sporting events:   Adults $4.00   Students $2.00
Harpool Bands prepare for exciting semester!

The Harpool Bands are looking forward to a great semester ahead! The students had wonderful performances at their winter concerts and will continue to grow tremendously as musicians throughout the spring semester! We will also host our first annual Harpool Band Golf Tournament on March 2nd @ Lantana Country Club! Invite friends and come join us for this outstanding event!

Registration form is here:  http://www.dentonisd.org/cms/lib/TX21000245/Centricity/Domain/3849/Harpool%20Golf%20Tournament%20Flyer_Form.jpg

Over the next 9 week grading period, our 7th and 8th grade students will participate in the UIL Concert and Sightreading Contest as well as Pre-UIL at Ryan HS. Additionally, our Symphonic Band students will travel to Indianapolis, IN for their invitational performance in the Music for All National Festival!

Also, on Tuesday January 27th and Thursday February 26th, we will host our 5th grade instrument selection night from 5-7:30 in the HMS Band Hall. This is an opportunity for all current 5th graders to come try the instruments and find out what instrument will fit them best! Any parents of 5th grade students can call or email Mr. Stone to set up your 15 minute appointment.

We are extremely proud of your children and the young musicians they are becoming. Please see our performance dates throughout the semester and come hear some great music from these awesome Longhorns!

Bryan Stone
Director of Bands/ Fine Arts Dept. Chair

Upcoming Events:

1/27 - 5th grade instrument selection night.

1/30 - Symphonic Band Practice Marathon @ HMS. 3:30-7:00.

2/10 - Concert and Symphonic Band Pre-UIL @ Ryan HS. Time TBD

2/20 - Symphonic Band- Guest Clinician Rehearsal. 3:30-7:00

3/02 - Golf Tournament @ Lantana Golf Club. 1:00PM Tee Time.

3/11 - UIL Performance @ Ryan HS. Time TBD.

3/11-3/15 - Music for All National Festival, Indianapolis, IN. Symphonic Band
Another semester has come and gone, and that means another round of nominating some fantastic students for the National Junior Honor Society. Nomination letters for eligible students will go home next week, with an info meeting and application period to follow. To be eligible, students must have completed the 6th grade, been on campus for at least one full semester, and achieved all A’s in core curriculum classes. If you or someone you know believes they should have received a nomination and didn’t, please contact the NJHS sponsor ASAP at ttureka@dentonisd.org so that we may address it as quickly as possible.

Donations Needed

Teens for Jeans

This week begins another Harpool tradition with the Teens for Jeans drive and contest, sponsored by DoSomething.org and Aéropostale. Now through February 12th, Harpool NJHS will be collecting gently used jeans to be distributed to the homeless teen populations in and around the Metroplex.

In the last two years, Harpool has sent in over 200 pairs of jeans but we would love to shatter that number this year. Please send jeans that have been outgrown, or are no longer “in style”, with your student to their Advisory class. The winning Advisory will receive a pizza party before Spring Break.

For more information on this program to go:

http://theaeroway.com/?page_id=36
In Mr. Guynes' reading class, we recently finished a persuasive project called Shark Tank (reading class version). Students worked together in groups of 3 or 4 to come up with a product and present it to the class using a presentation option such as a website or Prezi. They had to create a movie or trailer and place it on a website or a Prezi. The first three students from left to right are working on the same website at the same time with each one on a different page. The student on the far right drew a picture for the website for the group. The second student from the left even looked up codes in a computer book to make a list of food for their product called “Virtual Food.”

Another group came up with a product called Robocat. Their product is one that could benefit people with allergies. In the presentation, the students showed a movie trailer as a commercial to promote the product. They also included an interview where another student gave a testimonial about the benefit of using the product. The student in the background is showing the class the group’s website.

One final group that I would like to spotlight is one that came up with a product called “Instant Wallpaper.” These students created a movie to promote their project. They creatively designed a website that proved quite impressive. It included several persuasive techniques such as proposition and testimonial.

Overall, the groups learned a lot about technology and persuasive techniques. They learned how to make movies and/or trailers, how to export the movie files, how to upload their movie from the iPad to their google drive, how to download the file and how to upload it to a website. They also learned how to create a Prezi and a website.

When we return from the break, we will work in literature circles. Students will be reading a book orally in a group of 5 to 6 students. I am looking into teaching students how to create a website using Googleslides to showcase their learning over the book that they read in their group.
Over the next month or so, Harpool students will have the opportunity to get involved in several academic contests with the opportunity to advance to state, regional, or even national levels!

The National History Bee, Geography Bee, and the Texas Quiz Show each allow students to compete in academic contests for various prizes, scholarships, and honors. Students who are interested should “keep an ear out” for announcements and watch the school website for details and study materials!

Get a head start! Check out these websites and watch for more information in the next several weeks!! GOOD LUCK LONGHORNS!!

National History Bee - http://historybee.com
Texas Quiz Show info from Harpool Website - http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/46227
National Geography Bee - http://www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee/study-corner/
Congratulations to Ashley Delaney for being named Staff of the Month for December!

Harpool Middle School
Students of the Month
December

6-1 Amanda Krinner
6-2 Gabi Placke
7-1 Mariella Stephens
7-2 Nathan Reynolds
8-1 Bella Plaza
8-2 Wrena Crooks

Congratulations on receiving this honor!

Click picture to view the Denton ISD Student Code of Conduct or the Student & Parent Handbook
Volunteer Information

Denton ISD Volunteer System

**IF you plan on going on any field trips you must complete this form in advance**

The volunteer application (background check) is now live and can be accessed at [http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/48779](http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/48779).

Everyone who wishes to volunteer at the school or go on field trips for the 2014-15 school year MUST complete this application. Please register by using the same email and password that you used to register your child in infosnap. The new procedure allows you to check off all campuses you plan on volunteering at this year within Denton ISD.

I coordinate all volunteer hours for anything related to our school whether it is a school function, donation or PTA activity and report them to the district. If you are a parent who volunteers for concessions at sporting events, prepares meals for athletics (lunch or dinners!!), helps in choir, band, orchestra or theater, your hours count for the school. If you did anything at home to help out a teacher, donated items for Longhorn Day, helped with something related to football or volleyball practices send in your estimated hours! If you donate something to the school whether food or other good you can claim 30 minutes of volunteer time! If you go to the store and purchase food to cook for staff or students at the school count hours for your purchasing trip, cooking time, serving and cleanup. Who knew Harpool could earn volunteer hours in so many ways!

Your time and donations are very much appreciated by the school, staff and PTA. Thank you for volunteering at Harpool Middle School!

Email hours or questions to Cristina Ubing at HMSPTA@zoho.com.

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Check out the website Take Care of Texas!
[http://takecareoftexas.org](http://takecareoftexas.org)

There are lots of hints and tips on how you and your family can recycle, conserve energy and volunteer to help keep our environment clean. Learn about local volunteer opportunities with Keep Denton Beautiful, sign up for the monthly newsletter and take the pledge!

Read about how you can make a difference in our air, land and water. Turn it into a family learning experience: pick a topic, discuss it and come up with a family plan to try and make a difference!
From Texas PTA  The Voice, Fall 2014

The 84th Legislative Session

— Ellen Arnold, Governmental Affairs Consultant, Texas PTA

Before we know it
the Texas Legislature
will return
to Austin
for the 84th Legislative Session.

While more than 6,500 pieces of legislation will likely be filed during the five-month session, the only constitutional requirement of the Texas Legislature is to pass balanced budget.

There is much speculation about whether they will be able to accomplish this goal during the regular session.

This session will be a one of change. All state-wide elected officials will be new to their jobs, including a new governor, attorney general, comptroller of public accounts, agriculture commissioner, land commissioner, and lt. governor who will oversee the Texas Senate.

There will be 6-9 new state senators out of 31, and almost half the Texas Senate will be comprised of freshmen and sophomore members. The House will have a high percentage of freshman and sophomore members as well.

The Legislature will likely pass a “maintenance of effort” or status quo budget for public education in anticipation of the Texas Supreme
Court ruling on the most recent school finance lawsuit.

Once the Supreme Court rules, probably in late spring of 2015, the Texas Legislature will likely return to Austin for 30 day special session(s) to deal with the court ruling on school funding.

Texas PTA has a very ambitious agenda this session. The priorities, listed on the next page, include increased funding for public schools, state assessment reduction in lower grades, funding for an increase in school counselors, juvenile justice reform, support for early childhood education, support for policies that encourage healthy lifestyles, opposition to vouchers for private schools, and regulation of e-cigarettes with restricted access by minors.

Please consider joining this good work on behalf of Texas children by signing up for Under the Dome at www.txpta.org so that you can stay abreast of important policy discussions that will take place this session. Join other PTA members from across the state for Texas PTA’s Rally Day on February 25, 2015.

Texas PTA will monitor more than 500 bills for their effect on Texas students and no doubt add to the issues on which we will advocate.
Advocacy

Lawmakers are making important decisions that affect our children’s health, well-being and educational opportunities. Join us and other PTA members across the state as we #backthefuture and advocate for our students! By working together, we can reform legislative policies to improve the quality of our children's lives. Through updates on newly-filed bills and explanation of the legislative process, Texas PTA works to engage and empower families to discover and respond to their calls for action this legislative session.

Rally Day is on February 25th in Austin, Texas
For more information on Rally Day go to - http://www.txpta.org/advocacy/rallyday/
New Year, New Call for Action

Tuesday, January 13 marks the beginning of the 84th Texas Legislative Session which means its time to take action! With nearly 40 percent of the state’s $200 billion budget going to education, it is important to have a say-so in where the funds will go and how it will affect our Texas children. Below is a list of bills already filed that pertain to Texas PTA’s legislative priorities.

Keep reading Under the Dome and follow us on Facebook and Twitter, to stay informed throughout the entire session.

To view the newly-filed bills below go to - http://d31hzlk6di2h5.cloudfront.net/20141218/f2/a3/2d/f3/530c88dd9e6d8bed5a689db1/December_2014_News_Release-84th_Texas_Legislative_Session.pdf

- Public School Funding
- STAAR & HB5 Implementation
- Anaphylaxis Preparedness on Public School Campuses
- Early Education
- Juvenile Justice Reform
- Electronic Cigarettes
- State Board of Education
- More...

*Subscribe to Under the Dome* to stay informed throughout the entire session.

Find us on Facebook - [https://www.facebook.com/TexasPTA](https://www.facebook.com/TexasPTA)

Find us on Twitter - [https://twitter.com/txstatepta](https://twitter.com/txstatepta)
The State Board of Education (SBOE) is composed of 15 elected members with each member representing more than a million Texans. Together, the members of the SBOE, the commissioner of education, and the Texas Education Agency (TEA) facilitate the operation of the Texas public school system consisting of more than 1,200 school districts and charter schools, 8,200 campuses, 630,000 educators and other employees, and 4.7 million school children.

The SBOE adopts rules and establishes policies that govern a wide range of educational programs and services provided by Texas public schools.

The SBOE’s duties include:

• Overseeing the investment of the Permanent School Fund which help funds public schools;
• Mandating what Texas students are taught and what classroom teachers must teach through the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills;
• Selecting textbooks and instructional materials from which Texas school districts chose;
• Approving the creation or revocation of open-enrollment charter schools;
• Adopting rules governing teacher and administrator certification and ethics as proposed by the State Board for Educator Certification; and
• Setting goals for the Texas public school system and adopting four-year plans for meeting those goals.

For more information about the State Board of Education go to -
http://tea.texas.gov/About_TEA/Leadership/State_Board_of_Education/SBOE_-_State_Board_of_Education/

The 2013-2014 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) is available on the Texas Education Agency website!

It offers a wide range of performance information about every public school and district in the state. Check it out here!

http://ritter.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/tapr/2014/index.html
About

TAMSA is working to improve Texas public education through meaningful & effective student assessments that allow for more productive instruction & more efficient use of funds.

Mission

TAMSA is comprised of concerned parents and community members who are working to improve public education in Texas through the use of meaningful and effective student assessments that allow for more productive classroom instruction and more efficient use of public funds.

Description

TAMSA is a statewide, grassroots organization comprised of parents and other community members concerned with the overemphasis on high stakes STAAR tests and the misallocation of hundreds of millions of taxpayer dollars to the tests that should be going to the classroom. TAMSA’s vision is for a strong accountability system for our schools and student assessments that are meaningful. We support the use of nationally normed tests, supplemented with state tests where appropriate. Please join us as we advocate in Austin for our children and their schools!

For more information find TAMSA online:

Eighth grade transition meeting scheduled for Feb. 2

Denton Independent School District will be holding its annual eighth grade transition meeting Monday, Feb 2nd at 6:30 p.m. on each of the district’s three comprehensive high school campuses.

The meeting will feature an information session, specifically for parents, which explains the high school enrollment process and other procedures needed to ease the transition from eighth to ninth grade for each student. In addition, up-to-date information will be given on high school graduation requirements made by the State Board of Education.

There will also be an activity fair during the evening, allowing students and their families to visit with teachers, counselors, coaches and staff as well as learn about clubs, organizations, athletics and other elective choices. Families are advised to attend the transition meeting at their corresponding feeder high school in an effort to get the most effective support from the campus.

To check which high school a middle school student will feed into, click here and type in the address of residency and current grade level.

For more information please contact the district’s counseling services department at (940) 369-0160.
Denton Community Council of PTAs

Report from the DCCPTAs Council Meeting held on November 13, 2014 -

The Groundhog Gala for the Denton Public School Foundation is January 31st. Tickets for the event can be purchased online at www.dentonisd.org/foundation.

Dr. Wilson spoke briefly with us at the meeting. He showed us a summary of items they will take to the legislature this next session. One of the main concerns for the district is growth: we grew by 1,100 students just this school year.

Report from the DCCPTAs Council Meeting held on January 8, 2015 -

Great meeting this morning for Denton's Council of PTAs. Dr. Wilson spoke this morning and addressed what all “weather-minded” folks wanna know:) With the winter weather season approaching, Dr. Wilson explained that it is unlikely students will be released early, keeping safety in the forefront. (Think tons of high schools students all releasing at one time on wheels!) However, parents are fine to pick up if they feel the roads are getting slick. On the flip side, it is also unlikely that if the roads are deemed unsafe at school start times, going late isn’t usually their choice either. (Coordinating buses is difficult for late starts, and all those parents that work farther away have difficulty changing routines.) But the most compelling statement was summed up with, “We can make up a school day no problem, but we err on the side of caution since we cannot take back the loss of life or serious injury.”
If you come across something that you think is worth sharing with your fellow parents please share it with us! We are always looking for information that parents in our school community can benefit from. It doesn't matter what age group it is geared to as most of our parents are straddling multiple schools.

**COMMUNITY**

We are also always looking for information about things that are happening in our community that are related to our school and students.

If you have a parent resource or student/school related community announcement please send them to HMSPTA@zoho.com.

What is it?? The Home Access Center (HAC) gives you the ability to view your child(ren)’s schedule, attendance, report cards, transcript, rank, GPA, test scores and update demographic information in the comfort of your own home.

For more information about Home Access Center (HAC) on the Denton ISD website [click here](#)

Login page for Home Access Center [click here](#)

Parents: please note that Parent Connection is no longer active. You may acquire the same student information through Home Access Center. If you have not used HAC, you will need an active email account to register (we recommend you use the same email account you used to register your child through Infosnap). For assistance please contact your school registrar.

**Denton ISD Inclement Weather Policy**

Denton ISD’s policy regarding weather procedures is as follows:

The decision to close schools based on inclement weather is made by 6:30 a.m. when possible. School closing decisions are reported on the Denton ISD website, Twitter account and Facebook page; closings are also broadcast on major local television and radio stations.

Closings are also announced on the district’s main telephone line at (940) 369-0000. Denton ISD uses an automated call-out system for weather alerts. Please be sure to have your current contact information on file with the school your child attends (if you have multiple children, make sure your contact information is at all the DISD campuses you have a child at.) You can also sign-up to receive an e-Alert in your email.

Please note: Media outlets only inform viewers and listeners of those school districts that are either starting late or canceling school. If no information is given from the district or media outlets, Denton ISD schools will be starting at their regular times.
SCHOOL BOARD REPORT

A Summary of Denton ISD Board of Trustees Meeting on Dec. 9, 2014

Board receives update on and revisions to secondary grading policy

Vicky Christensen, director of secondary curriculum, provided the Board an update on the district’s new secondary grading policy.

Mrs. Christensen gave a review on how the district went about gathering feedback from teachers, students and parents in order to better help students take ownership of their learning. School principals highlighted examples of how they developed better communication and gathered feedback from each of these groups to provide effective revisions to the grading policy.

Vernon Reeves, principal at Ryan High School, said teachers were receptive to more professional development to better implement the new assessment standards. Mr. Reeves said teachers were willing to “give the shirt off their backs” if it meant more success for their students and many are doing that by giving of their time and resources.

Angela Ricks, principal at Myers Middle School, said student feedback was gathered through student focus groups and surveys. Mrs. Ricks said students report that they understand effort is important, expressed pride in knowing their grades now reflect their actual learning and are more willing to take risks in learning more rigorous course material.

Dan Ford, principal at Denton High School, said that as communication has increased, parents have expressed a better understanding of how to help their child academically and of overall support for the grading policy.

Based on the feedback gathered from the various groups, Mrs. Christensen said the Academic Leadership Team and campus administrators recommend applying revisions to the grading policy districtwide that include:

- Assign grades on a 70/30 percent ratio (major summative/minor summative) in AP and Pre-AP courses and 60/40 percent ratio in regular courses
- Publish one grade weekly using at least three major summative assessments
- Increase the time for relearning and reassessing to 10 school days
- Communicate so both students and parents are aware of academic progress, topics of study, assignments and assessment dates
- Seek continuous feedback and monitor effectiveness of implementation
- Support and build instructional expertise for all staff around grading practices

“What I see is that you’ve listened to the concerns... and I appreciate the work you’ve put in and am excited in the direction we are going moving forward,” said Trustee Jim Alexander.

District ranks second in DFW area for housing growth

Denton ISD ranks second to only Frisco ISD in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area in third quarter closings and housing starts according to a report presented to the Board by the district’s demographer, Rocky Gardener of Templeton Demographics.

The district is projected to grow by almost 3 percent during the next 10 years, a projected rate of almost 830 students per year. With that growth, the district is expected to have an enrollment of 30,680 in five years and surpass 35,000 students during the 2024-25 school year.

Neighborhoods in the Paloma Creek, Cross Oaks and Pecan Creek Elementary School attendance zones have the most home activity, representing almost 48 percent of the total starts

for the district. With the addition of two new subdivisions in the U.S. Hwy 380 area – Union Park and Arrow Brooke – Savannah Elementary is projected to reach 700 students by 2016, and 800 by the following year. The growth also shows that Navo Middle School may have 1,200 students by 2016, and 1,500 by 2019.

Mr. Gardner said more immediately and active subdivision growth to keep in mind includes: Cole Ranch in the Borman zone and The Hills of Denton in the Evers Park zone.

**District utility expenditures reported at same level as 2010-11 school year**

Denton ISD maintained an average expenditure of $1.50 per square foot – the same as it spent four years ago – during the 2013-14 school year according to the most recent Utility Management report according to a report presented by Dan Edwards of TD Industries, who monitors the district’s energy, gas and water usage on an annual basis.

Mr. Edwards said the district’s maintenance and operations are operating at maximum efficiency, with costs for utilities having gone up yet the district expenses on those utilities staying relatively flat. For 2013-14 the district spent approximately $7.2 million on utilities, an increase of six percent overall despite the addition of Myers Middle School.

Overall, the district decreased its electric consumption by one percent and its water irrigation by almost 21 percent. Its gas consumption increased by 23 percent and water consumption by four percent.

The report also showed that the district’s investment in geothermal heating and cooling systems has paid off, with Myers averaging a savings of 35 cents per square foot in comparison to other middle schools and Cross Oaks Elementary averaging a savings of 25 cents per square foot in comparison to other elementary schools in the district.

“In conversations with other districts, I’m always told that we’re performing at the same rate or better than others our size,” said Paul Andress, executive director of maintenance and operations.

**Public hearing held on Texas Academic Performance Report**

Lyneille Meza, coordinator of data & assessment, presented the Texas Academic Performance Report for the 2013-14 school year to the Board. The report indicated that the district improved upon its scores from last year at the district and state level across six categories on STAAR exam scores that met or exceeded academic standards.

Other highlights from the report included:

- The district produced more Recognized with Honors Diploma Program and Distinguished Academic Diploma graduates as well as students that completed AP coursework than the state for the second consecutive year.
- The district posted higher average SAT scores (1476) and ACT scores (21) than the state average for the second consecutive year.

“I think you’ve done a wonderful job analyzing all this data and making it truly transparent,” said Dr. Glenna Harris.

**In other action**

- Honored 155 Denton ISD high school students with distinctions for 2014, according to their annual list of recipients who are named Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars.
- Recognized 23 students who were named Commended Scholars, National Hispanic Scholars, or National Achievement Scholars by the National Merit Scholarship Program. Three Denton ISD seniors have joined an elite group of scholars by earning one of the highest academic honors in the country. Guyer High School’s Max Malone, Eliza Price and Zachary Wade.
- Listened to a report from the most recent 2013 Bond Progress Committee meeting from Sheryl English, a member of the committee.
Dr. Wilson, Denton ISD Superintendent, spoke at Harpool on December 4th. He discussed the bond package and explained that completion dates could be earlier than planned if property values continue to increase, which brings in more tax money. There will not be another high school built after high school #4 is completed. Instead, there will be a 9th grade addition built at Guyer. This allows the district to keep high school boundary changes to a minimum, which provides more consistency for the students.

Dr. Wilson also acknowledged the frustration with the math curriculum this year. The district is proposing 4 ideas to make the transition smoother and more successful for students.

2. Refine K-8 math standards for greater clarity.
3. Phase in the 9-12 standards with a single student group.
4. Improve resources and support for districts.

For additional information, or to voice questions/concerns, please contact:
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**The next few pages were handouts provided for attendees at the above meeting.**

“The Sippin’ With the Supe”- Harpool Middle School PTA along with our other vertical zone PTAs hosted a “town hall” style gathering with Denton ISD Superintendent, Jaime Wilson, talking about our school district and answering questions on December 4th.

**ATTENTION!**

The Department of Aging and Disability Services is partnering with the district’s Grandparents In Public Schools program to grow the Foster Grandparent Volunteer initiative. If you are 55 or older and want to make a difference in a child’s life, this program may be for you. Need more info? Contact (940) 591-3459

**Denton ISD Mission Statement**
Empowering lifelong learners to be engaged citizens who positively impact their local and global community.

Adopted by the DISD Board of Trustees on March 19, 2013.
2013 Bond Package

The Denton ISD bond package approved by voters in 2013 consists of many improvements or renovations at existing campuses as well as five new facilities. The expected completion dates of these facilities are as follows:

High School No. 4
Denton ISD’s current comprehensive high schools – Denton, Guyer and Ryan – are over capacity. High School No. 4, which is currently being built in the U.S. 380 corridor on Navo Road, will alleviate overcrowding at Denton and Ryan high schools.

The district’s 2007 bond election allocated $3.5 million to design the school, which accelerated the pace at which the school was able to be constructed following the 2013 bond election. The campus is planned to open in time for the 2016-17 school year.

Elementary School Nos. 23 and 24
There are more than 13,500 students in the district’s 22 elementary schools, and that number is expected to increase to about 15,710 by 2018. In 2022, it’s projected that there will be 17,884 elementary students in the district. Elementary No. 23 will be located directly behind High School No. 4 and is also slated to open for the 2016-17 school year; a location has yet to be set for Elementary No. 24.

Middle School No. 8
In 2013-14, there were 5,559 middle school students in Denton ISD. By 2017, it’s projected that there will be 6,740 students enrolled in the district’s seven current middle schools. Middle School No. 8 is planned to be located in the U.S. 380 corridor.

Ninth-Grade Addition to Guyer High School
Guyer High School’s ninth-grade addition will provide the space needed for current and future students and will increase the school’s capacity to house up to 3,000 students. The addition will increase the existing campus space without the cost of a new campus.

• The new addition will be made exclusively for ninth-graders and feature a “school within a school” design, allowing for shared services and many common spaces between it and the existing Guyer building.
• Ninth-graders will still take part in the school’s existing programs, such as fine arts, technology and athletics.

This addition to Guyer will allow the district to keep high school boundary changes in the southern portion of Denton ISD to a minimum.
District’s fourth high school offers several advanced features

The Denton Independent School District’s fourth comprehensive high school will be located on approximately 108 acres at the southeast corner of Navo Road and U.S. Highway 380 in the Town of Little Elm.

The yet-to-be-named school has a guaranteed maximum price of $113.9 million and is being designed by VLK Architects and built by Balfour Beatty Construction. The facility, which was approved for construction by voters as part of bond package in 2013, will have a capacity for 2,600 students with the option to add additional instruction space for more than 3,000 students.

High School No. 4 is slated to include numerous features to enhance education and allow the school to serve as a hub for the Hwy 380 community. These features include:

Architecture
- Open and transparent collaborative spaces
- Indoor/outdoor space with flexible walls
- Robust wireless access and technology integration
- Adaptable/flexible classroom spaces

Eco-friendly features
- Low-maintenance/low water use
- Abundant usage of natural light to limit iridescent lighting when possible
- Geothermal heating and cooling system
- Amphitheater as a learning tool/performance space so students have access to nature

Community partnership opportunities
- After-hours access for testing and virtual coursework
- Access to both print and electronic information in the library/media services center
- Extended after-hours usage for various parts of the facility

Safety
- Lockdown and weather-safe
- Indoor/outdoor camera surveillance
- Secure vestibule with card access throughout the building
- RFD door monitors

For more information on this facility contact the Denton ISD Communications office by calling 940.369.0005 or email communications@dentonisd.org.

Follow the construction progress by scanning QR code or going to: www.dentonisd.org/highschool4
2014-2015 MATH STANDARDS IN TEXAS: IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES

In order for curriculum to be aligned, clearly **written** standards should be **taught** and **tested** within one year of learning.

### THE CHALLENGE

#### STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

**LAST YEAR (2013-2014)**
For Sixth-Grade Math Teachers

- Teach 40 standards with examples (including "such as" statements).

**THIS YEAR (2014-2015)**
For Sixth-Grade Math Teachers

- Teach 59 standards without examples (no "such as" statements).

#### ONE YEAR OF LEARNING

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#### ADDRESSING THE GAPS

Because the standards shifted down to lower grades, current students automatically started the year behind. These standards must be "picked up."

**Example:** TEK 6.6B states that sixth-grade students must identify relationships between angles and triangles, but the concept of learning how to classify an angle was moved down to a lower grade. So even though the teaching of angles is not a sixth-grade TEK, it must first be "picked up" before 6.6B can be mastered.

Of the 59 standards, 41 standards contain new content brought down from the seventh and eighth grades.

In addition, teach six "pick-up" standards in order to avoid gaps.

From last year to the current year, teachers have the same amount of time (a single year) to work with, but far different expectations. What percentage of the curriculum does the state realistically expect students to master within this one year of learning?

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2014-2015 MATH STANDARDS IN TEXAS: IMPLEMENTATION CHALLENGES
In order to succeed in implementing the new math standards, districts need time to adjust to the increased expectations.

▼ OUR PROPOSAL ▼

We suggest four things:

1. **Suspend state accountability for K-8 math in 2015-2016.**
   Give districts time to adjust to the new standards, but still include K-8 Safeguards for federal accountability purposes.

2. **Refine K-8 math standards for greater clarity.**
   Bring back the “such as” statements previously included in the written standards.

3. **Phase in the 9-12 standards with a single student group.**
   In other words, current eighth-graders are taught the new Algebra I standards in 2015-16, the new Geometry standards in 2016-17, and so on.

4. **Improve resources and support for districts.**
   For example, provide clarification documents as well as content-specific, easily accessible (i.e. not in project share) online training videos.

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**Mission Statement**
The mission of the Denton Public School Foundation is to enrich and maximize the quality of education available in the Denton Independent School District.

In order to accomplish its mission, the Foundation encourages contributions for endowment purposes and current programs. The Foundation plans and administers all programs in cooperation with the Denton Independent School District administration. The Foundation, however, is a separate entity.

**Goals of the Foundation**
To encourage academic excellence
To facilitate innovative educational activities
To promote continued community involvement in the schools
The financial goal for the Foundation is to build a $2.0 million dollar endowment by the year 2014.

**About Us**
The Denton Public School Foundation is a non-profit 501(C)(3) corporation founded for the purpose of raising and providing support for the teachers and students of Denton ISD. Monies raised are invested and distributed through a competitive grant and scholarship program. Since 2002, the Foundation has awarded over $2.4 million in grants-to-teachers, staff scholarships and special program support to fund innovative classroom initiatives, advanced training and graduate hours; and over $581,000 in student scholarships to graduating DISD seniors.

We believe that every child deserves a strong foundation and that teachers and staff are valued resources. We support quality programs that directly and positively impact student learning. With continued support we can achieve our goal of funding the many scholarships and innovative project requests that we receive each year.

If you would like more information about the DPSF, are interested in making a donation or volunteering your services, or just want to visit about the Denton Schools, please contact Jackie Jackson, DPSF executive director, at jjackson2@dentonisd.org.

You can also make an online contribution through Give2Schools.org.

Mail contributions or inquiries to:
Denton Public School Foundation, Inc.
1307 N. Locust
Denton, Texas  76201

For more information on the Denton Public School Foundation go to http://www.dentonisd.org/Page/779
From the Denton Public School Foundation facebook page...

Mr. Guynes - Winner of a grant last year

This grant recipient reminds me of a quote from James Patterson - “There’s no such thing as a kid who hates reading. There are kids who love reading, and kids who are reading the wrong books.” Please enjoy this from Michael Guynes - Reading Teacher at Harpool Middle School.

Last year, I received three NOOK HD devices for my reading class. They have been fantastic and have greatly enhanced learning. Students are able to use them to read various genre books. These devices allow students to increase font size which decreases the amount of text per page, quickly go to pages with ease and look up definitions of words. Each device holds up to 22 books. In addition to being used as a reading device, the NOOKS are also used as study aids. Students often use them to visit Quizlet and study definitions for vocabulary quizzes. My students love using them and seem even more motivated to work while working with the devices.

Asked and Answered

If you have a question relating to Harpool Middle School you can email it to HMSPTA@zoho.com. We will do our best to provide you with an answer either back by email or in print in the next edition of the Longhorn Ledger.

Harpool Middle School

Harpool Middle School PTA
The Board of the Denton Public School Foundation invites you to attend the 13th Annual Groundhog Day Gala!

20th Anniversary Party!

Silent Auction 6:30 p.m.
Seated Dinner 7:45 p.m.
Live Auction
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in student scholarships.

With your continued support, we can achieve our goal of funding many of the scholarship and project requests that we receive each year.

*New this year:*

**Mobile Bidding is here!**

* Skip the crowd in the Silent Auction room!
* Don’t let someone outbid you!
* Bid from home if you are unable to attend!
* Charge your phone and get ready to bid!
* Don’t have a smartphone? No problem!
* Volunteers will be there to help!
* Information is available on the website link!

**Saturday January 31, 2015**

**UNT Gateway Center**

**Formal or Casual - You Choose!**

**RSVP by January 20, 2015**

**Tickets available online at dentonisd.org/foundation**
Great news for Harpool!!!

The My Coke Rewards program will be switching from catalog redemption to cash payment to schools starting on January 20th! Did you know that Harpool collects coke points from 12 packs, cases and individual bottle tops? We have been using these points to order items from the catalog for the Longhorn Day prize table and various giveaways throughout the year. If you haven’t been saving and sending them in - PLEASE START NOW!

You are welcome to donate points online directly to Harpool Middle School or send in the codes as you would boxtops or labels for education labels. We will do the work!

Thank you for supporting Harpool! We do everything we can to earn extra money or merchandise for the school. This is considered passive fundraising and doesn’t require you to buy anything that you normally wouldn’t already purchase. Don’t forget there are many ways to help Harpool through a variety of programs!

For more information go to http://www.mycokerewards.com/home.do
**Current Reward Programs**

Please check out the opportunities that are out there to earn free money and points to redeem for merchandise! We are always looking for new ways to earn for Harpool. If you see something feel free to share it with us by emailing HMSPTA@zoho.com. All of the pictures are live links on this page if you are looking for more information. Everything you send in can be dropped off in the front office! Thanks for your support!

Our school participates in the Box Tops for Education program. If you shop at Tom Thumb be sure to watch their app to add bonus Box Tops opportunities to your reward card.

We are collecting UPCs from participating Community Coffee & Tea products. Each UPC is worth $0.10 to our school!

Please send in the entire UPC code from participating products.

Register your Kroger Plus and Tom Thumb reward cards at elabelsforeducation.com website to earn bonus points every time you shop.

20 UPCs earn a teacher 20 free books from Scholastic! Please send in the whole label to the front office.

Download the Shoparoo app to your phone and upload images of your shopping receipts to earn money for our school! Very easy and costs you nothing! Use the link from the PTA fb page and earn extra points.

If you have a Target Red Card please designate Harpool as your preferred school. Our school ID is 148571. If not, please consider getting one.

Please link your Kroger Plus Reward card to support Harpool Middle School PTA! Log into your Kroger.com account & enter 90540 as your preferred school.

Collect labels from participating Tyson chicken products. Each label is worth $0.24!

Enter codes from participating Coca-Cola products at mycokerewards.com & donate them to Harpool Middle School or send the lids or codes in to front office.

Create an account, enter points and when you earn enough donate in cash to our school! Earn 1,800 points, redeem for a $1 donation to Harpool.

Please check out the opportunities that are out there to earn free money and points to redeem for merchandise! We are always looking for new ways to earn for Harpool. If you see something feel free to share it with us by emailing HMSPTA@zoho.com. All of the pictures are live links on this page if you are looking for more information. Everything you send in can be dropped off in the front office! Thanks for your support!