

Weekly High Five

April 28, 2009

We have a busy week ahead of us. Hopefully the rain will not interfere with any of your planned activities this week.

You should have received an e-mail concerning swine flu including a letter from the Tarrant County Public Health office from Veronica Sopher yesterday. Information is also posted on the district Web site. The health and safety of students is always a top priority, so it is important that we take all concerns seriously. Please work with your campus nurse and Michelle Provence if you have any students that have been absent with influenza-like illnesses. Michelle will work directly with the Tarrant County Public Health office. If you receive any calls or questions regarding swine flu, please direct callers to the Tarrant County Public Health office.

We are in the midst of another week of TAKS testing. From my many campus visits, I know that you all have done a great job preparing our students. I am sure that our results will reflect the improved quality of education that we are providing. Thank you for all of your hard work making this week a success! I hope the long weekend will give everyone a chance to relax after this week of testing.

I want to congratulate all of our talented athletes and dedicated coaches involved with golf, tennis, softball and track on the completion of very successful seasons. In golf, Lamar had two students advance to regionals, and one student from Martin advanced. Bowie, Lamar, Sam Houston and Seguin sent athletes to spring tennis regionals. Outstanding job! Bowie and Martin will be representing District 4-5A in the softball playoffs beginning Friday. Bowie will take on Richland High School in a two-out-of-three series, and Martin will take on Weatherford in a one-game series. Game times and locations are posted on the Sports Events Calendar page of the Web site. Athletes from all six high schools have advanced to this weekend's regional track meets at Angelo State University for 4A and Texas Tech University for 5A. Good luck this weekend!



Jerry McCullough
AISD Superintendent

Global Youth Service Day



The Arlington celebration of Global Youth Service Day Saturday was a tremendous success. The day gave groups a chance to tell the stories of their projects, to cheer on award-winning youth, and to enjoy food and festivities. [Click here](#) to see a list of youth groups that participated in the GYSD events. Turning Point HS completed their community service project Friday. Lindy Rosado, Turning Point's social worker, was chosen by Youth Service America to receive one of 100 State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Grant awards in the amount of \$1,000. The money was used to purchase fleece material for students to make 36 reversible tie blankets that will be donated to help the children staying at the SafeHaven shelters in Tarrant County feel more at ease in their new surroundings.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- April 28: TAKS Math (3, 4, 6, 7, 10); TAKS ELA (Exit Level retest)
- April 29: TAKS Reading (4, 6, 7); TAKS Math (Exit Level, Exit Level retest)
- April 30: TAKS Science (5, 8, 10, Exit Level, Exit Level retest); TAKS Math (9)
- May 1: TAKS Social Studies (8, 10, Exit Level, Exit Level retest)
May 2: SAT
- May 3-9: Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 3-10: National Music Week
- May 4: Staff/student holiday
- May 4-8: Child Nutrition Employee Appreciation Week
- May 4-15: AP exams
- May 4-22: IB exams
- May 5: National Teacher Day; Cinco de Mayo



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Condolences

We would like to express our condolences to the following employee on the loss of a loved one:

Mary Ann Bushnell,
mother of *Carol Bushnell*, special services coordinator; passed away April 23.

Don't Forget

Bowl for Kids' Sake team member information must be received by May 1. More information is available on the intranet or www.bowlforkidsake.org. Register online today!



Bit of Inspiration

"It was character that got us out of bed, commitment that moved us into action, and discipline that enabled us to follow through."
-Zig Ziglar, Motivational Author & Speaker

"The road of life twists and turns, and no two directions are ever the same. Yet our lessons come from the journey, not the destination."
-Don Williams, Jr., Novelist & Poet