

Weekly High Five

January 19, 2010



Last Friday I visited Kookan Education Center. I wasn't quite sure what I was getting myself into, but I agreed to perform the "Tooty Ta" dance for the pre-K students. We all had a lot of fun, and I'm looking forward to future performances!

I hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend. Many of our students and staff participated in the events honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Congratulations to all of the winners at the Step-Off; step teams from Percy ES, Workman JH and Bowie HS won first place in their respective categories. I also want to congratulate the students and teachers that participated in the Youth Extravaganza. They did a great job representing the AISD!



Save the Children®

The earthquake in Haiti last week severely damaged the capital of Port-au-Prince and many surrounding towns and left people without basic necessities. Our thoughts

and prayers are with everyone affected by this terrible tragedy. In an effort to assist schools, departments and other AISD groups, we have centralized a relief and assistance campaign to ensure all funds collected for the victims of the Haiti earthquake are managed appropriately. After reviewing requests of reputable organizations assisting in the relief effort, we will collect monetary donations only, as recommended. All collected funds will be donated to one of the White House's recommended relief agencies, *Save the Children®*. In today's Green Bag, there was a memo from Amy Casas, director of public information, with more information about the campaign.

Tomorrow is the last of Tarrant County Public Health's free H1N1 immunization clinics in the district. If you would still like to receive an immunization, the clinic will be held in the cafeteria at Martin HS from 3 to 7 p.m.

This Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., there will be a CHIP/Children's Medicaid application drive at Knox and Webb elementaries, Workman JH and Bowie HS for Tarrant County families with uninsured children.

Jerry McCullough
Superintendent

News to Note

There is a regularly scheduled Board meeting this Thursday.

- The Board will consider the appointment of an assistant principal for Lamar HS.
- Also on the agenda is a public hearing for the Academic Excellence Indicator System report.
- Board meetings are broadcast live on AISD-TV Time Warner Channel 98 and www.aisd.net. You can also view past meetings online anytime.

"The main thing ... is to keep the main thing ... the main thing."
Student Achievement & Instruction

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Jan. 19: Teacher preparation day/student holiday
- Jan. 20: Begin fourth grading period and second semester
- Jan. 21: School board meeting
- Jan. 22: Report cards distributed, grades 2-12
- Jan. 23: SAT
- Feb. 1: National Freedom Day
- Feb. 2: Groundhog Day



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Bit of Inspiration

"We live in a wonderful world that is full of beauty, charm and adventure.

There is no end to the adventures that we can have if we only seek them with our eyes open."

-Jawaharlal Nehru, First Prime Minister of India

"Vision is not enough; it must be combined with venture. It is not enough to stare up the steps; we must step up the stairs."

-Václav Havel, Playwright & Essayist