



Boling ISD Enlightenment

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February 11, 2020 Board Meeting Reported by: Lindsay Mahalitic

Approved Schematic Design for an Early Childhood Addition for Newgulf Elementary

Approved to schedule EISO and Team of 8 Training for June 23, 2020

Approved to extend the Administrators two-year contract by one-year to end June 30, 2022

Approved to hire Melanie Schubach as the Newgulf Elementary Assistant Principal on a two-year contract beginning July 1, 2020 thru June 30, 2022

BISD Administration

Wade Stidevent, Superintendent
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Keith Jedlicka, BHS Principal
Tim Moore, BHS Assistant Principal
Gerald Floyd, JFH Principal
Inez Kucera, NES Principal



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BOLING HIGH SCHOOL

Reported by: BHS Staff

BHS FFA

As the spring semester started, FFA students hit the ground running and our Career Development Events (CDE) are in full swing! On January 24th, the Boling FFA livestock judging team placed 12th out of 27 teams at the Walter Gerlach Livestock Show CDE contest. The team consisted of Andrew Machart, Elise Sharp, Payton Calk, Kylee Joyce, Allie Floyd, Krista Wittig, and Cameron Macha. On January 30th, the Vet Science, Floral and Entomology teams competed at the Katy FFA Invitational CDE. The Vet Science team placed 48th out of 103 teams consisting of Azalynn Chilek, Sullivan Carroll, Ernest Barron, Hannah Mata, Yatziri Ramirez, Ashlyn Rodriguez, Kade Sweat, and Kyndal Vega. The Floral team consisting of Allison Ezell (9th high individual), Kaylynn Macek (10th high individual), Emily Woytek, Kodey Sulak, Carly Gonzales, Mariana Reyes, and Kimberly Santillian placed 5th out of 91 teams! Lastly, Nathan Rowland competed in the entomology contest receiving 40th individually out of 168 students. They have started off the season strong and we are looking forward to the many upcoming CDE contests!

We will have a few students showing at the Fort Worth and San Antonio Livestock shows this month. So, if you happen to see any of them, wish them luck!

The Boling FFA Fair Fund is coming up on February 22nd at the Boling Community Center. If you would like to purchase meal tickets or raffle tickets, please find an FFA or Jr. FFA member, they would gladly sell you one. We hope to see you there, it's going to be a great time supporting our youth!

BHS FCCLA

FCCLA completed several activities for Safe Driving week. Members performed a seat belt check before school, posted flyers on cars about the dangers of driving and held a booth at a basketball game to hand out information along with keychains and car air fresheners. The winners of the safe driving poster contest were Coach Lockley's, Mrs. Mahavier's, and Mrs. Barron's second period classes. We would like to thank everyone for their participation.

FCCLA members traveled to Galveston to attend the FCCLA regional conference. Members competed in STAR Events and FCSA's. The National Programs in Action team, consisting of Ernest Barron and Amber Johnson, received 2nd place. Damion Castro, Hailey Davis and Maria Gonzalez placed 2nd in Chapter in Review Display. Both teams will be advancing to the state competition in April. Araceli Hernandez received a gold medal for Creed, Mission and Purpose. Madison Garcia, Suzanna Garcia, and Natalia Narvaez also competed in Focus on Children.

BHS BAND and ART

On February 1, the BHS Jazz Band had the privilege to perform for the Pancake Supper at the Boling Community Center. The students really enjoyed having the opportunity to play for this annual event.

On February 8, members of the BHS band participated in the UIL Music Region 13 Solo/Ensemble Contest at Edna HS and came home with several medalists. Those earning a 1st division rating in Class 3 solo events were Victoria Castillo on trumpet, Liz Genzer on alto saxophone and Alejandra Hernandez on contra-clarinet. Those earning a 1st division rating in Class 2 solo events were Alicia Mata on clarinet, Seth Grosser on bass clarinet, Xavier Diaz on alto saxophone, Abraham Garcia on baritone saxophone, Mark Chokie and Johnathan Lopez, both on trumpet and Cooper Graves on trombone. Earning a 1st division rating in the Class 1 solo event was Elizabeth Jeffery. Elizabeth performed two solos, one on piccolo and one on flute, each receiving a 1st division. Elizabeth will go the State Solo/Ensemble Contest in May! Those earning a 1st division rating in Class 3 ensemble events were Perla Blanco, Hannah Deleon, Brianna Flores and Franklin Gavranovic for their clarinet quartet. Those earning a 1st division rating in Class 2 ensemble events were Amari Alameda, Seth Grosser, Alejandra Hernandez and Cortney Whetstein in their mixed clarinet quartet. And in Class 1 ensemble events were Adriana Garcia, Maegan Munoz and Marco Prado in their flute trio and Adrianna Botello, Kailey

BHS ART PROJECTS FEATURED AT PANCAKE SUPPER FROM HLSR



BOLING HIGH SCHOOL Continued

Davis and Araceli Hernandez in their clarinet trio. Both the flute and the clarinet trios will be going to the Sate Solo/Ensemble Contest in May. This will be the fourth year that Adrianna Botello, Kailey Davis and Araceli Hernandez have advanced to the state contest! Great work by everyone at this year's Solo/Ensemble Contest.

On February 12 thru 15, Adrianna Botello and Araceli Hernandez will be participating and performing as members of the Association of Texas Small School Bands (ATSSB) All-State band at the Texas Music Educators Convention in San Antonio. Congratulations ladies!!!!



Boling High School Art students repurpose an old door into a shelving unit for the Salas Fundraiser.

BHS STUDENT COUNCIL

The Boling High School Student Council started off the 2020 year with a focus on our environment and energy conservation. Our Energy and Environment committee encouraged environmental awareness with several fun-filled activities. On 'Carpool Day', students were encouraged to buddy up and ride to school together. 'Black Out Day', on Friday, February 7th, gave our campus lights a day off, as classrooms used natural lighting. We also held a 'Bags and Books' contest between first period classes to collect recyclable plastic bags and children's literature books that can be donated to the Newgulf and Iago libraries. Students have learned how every individual can make a difference!!

Student Council hosted our third blood drive of the year on February 5th. A big THANK YOU to students, staff, and community members who participated!! We once again met and exceeded our donor goal with 32 successful donations!! Donors were treated to some tasty treats provided by numerous Student Council members. Kudos to Kailey Davis, Hailey Davis, Shannon Dube, Evelyn Gray, and Krystal Kucera for helping make our blood drive a successful event.

Our next big event will be this year's 'Queen of Hearts' on Valentine's Day. The ladies will be trying to steal the 'hearts' (necklaces) of the gentlemen in order to claim the title. Numerous members assisted with the assembly, sorting, and distribution of the necklaces. Be sure to check in next month to see who is crowned our campus 'Queen'!!!

BOLING HIGH SCHOOL Continued

BHS UIL and OAP

UIL is starting strong at Boling High School. Students from the speech and academic teams competed at the El Campo tournament on January 17 and 18. The academics team, led by journalism, won small school academic sweepstakes with the following individual awards: Hailey Davis placed 2nd in Editorial Writing, Kailey Davis placed 4th and Maria Gonzalez placed 1st in Feature Writing, Maria placed 4th, Hailey placed 3rd, and Kailey placed 2nd in Headline Writing, and Kailey placed 4th and Maria placed 1st in News Writing; BHS won the journalism team award. Jackson Gray also placed 6th in Mathematics. The speech team also competed well and won the small school speech sweepstakes with the following awards: Ernest Barron placed 7th in Novice Extemp, Jackson Gray placed 7th in Soapbox Speaking, Katherine Gubbels placed 3rd in Impromptu Speaking, 1st in Prose, and 1st in CX Debate (along with her partner Jason Mach), Haylea Kostelnik placed 4th in Novice Poetry, Jason Mach won 1st in CX Debate and won Best Debater for the tournament.

On January 25th, debaters competed at the Bellville Speech tournament. The following students received awards: Katherine Gubbels and Jason Mach won 1st in CX Debate and Jackson Gray and Yatziri Ramirez won 3rd; Autumn Becerra won 3rd and Azalynne Chilek won 2nd in LD Debate.

On February 1st, UIL District Spring Meet kicked off with CX Debate District at El Campo High School. Two teams from BHS will advance to the State Meet in March: Jackson Gray and Yatziri Ramirez who placed 2nd and Katherine Gubbels and Jason Mach who placed 1st. The teams of Sullivan Carroll and Andrew Machart and Ernest Barron and Alicia Mata competed as well.

The cast and crew of Boling High School's One Act Play of William Inge's *Picnic* performed at the Wharton County Junior College OAP Clinic this past Thursday. Jami Hughes from the college was the clinician and gave the group plenty to work on. The public performance of the play, along with other area OAPs and Iago Junior High's plays, will be at the Plaza Theatre in Wharton on February 29th. District competition will be on March 5th at Bay City High School.

IAGO JUNIOR HIGH

Reported by: IJH Staff

Out Student Council hosted the annual U.I.L. Dance on January 31st. It was a "Luau" theme complete with a Limbo contest. Congratulations to Jeremiah Camacho and Rico Sanchez for winning the Limbo Contest!! The students enjoyed pizza, drinks, games, dancing and a photo booth. Student Council made most of the decorations and came up with fun ideas for the students to interact with a photo booth and playing games.



During February, Student Council is selling Valentine's Day Suckers. The candy will be delivered on Valentine's Day. Student Council officers are working to complete their books in order to earn Sweepstakes again this year. The yearbook staff just completed their first deadline early with a lot of hard work. The staff is working on their second and final deadline coming up in March. A different idea for this year's Yearbook includes a page of faculty members baby pictures complete with the opportunity to guess who the baby picture is. They are looking forward to passing out the yearbooks in May at our Yearbook Signing Party. Track practice has begun, and the first track meet will be at Ganado on February 20th. It's always busy at IJH, but this time of year seems to pick up the pace.

NEWGULF ELEMENTARY

Reported by: Terry Dusek

Pre-Kindergarten: Pre-Kindergarten students have been learning about the season of winter and discussed animals that hibernate. Our unit focuses on different kinds of animals and their habitats. Students enjoyed making the 100th day crowns to wear home on the 100th day of school. They are also working on number recognition and sets of zero through ten. Students had fun making patterns out of all kinds of manipulatives. They have learned almost half of the alphabet letters now.

Kindergarten: Kindergarteners were busy making winter scenes and their 100-day project in January. The children continue to learn addition, subtraction, and all about the weather. More and more reading words are being learned by the students, as well as reading from their little readers. They had fun celebrating the 100th day of school and dressing like they were 100 years old!!

1st Grade: Our first graders came back from Christmas break well rested and ready to go! Students have continued reading their AR books and taking tests. Many kids have their sights set on the 100-point club and are determined to get there. We have finished up our unit on 2D shapes in math, and they did so well. In Science, we learned all about weather. We have also continued reviewing the 5 oceans. The kids are so excited about the 100th day of school coming up and have eagerly been counting down the days!

2nd Grade: Second grade has been working hard. In Science, we have been learning about natural and human-made resources and how to conserve, reuse and recycle them. In Social Studies, we are learning about different cultures. We are also identifying the continents and oceans. In Reading, we're back to focusing on author's purpose and text organization. In English, we've finished studying verbs and have moved onto adjectives and articles. We're ready to move from descriptive to persuasive writing and will be writing letters to try and convince our parents to get us our dream pet. We've learned most of our cursive letters and are so close to learning how to write our names! In Math, we have accomplished a lot this month. We finished up addition with regrouping, money, four-digit numbers, and are now learning about multiplication.

3rd Grade: Third Grade English classes have written a short informational essay. Along with that we have talked about fact and opinion. We are now studying Prepositions and prepositional phrases. Students are practicing finding prepositions in their writing as well as verbs and other parts of speech. They are also learning how to turn a writing prompt into a topic sentence or lead. Third grade Reading has been working on Biographies. The students are learning time-order, cause and effect, and problem and solution, & text structures in their stories. In Third Grade Math, we have been working on two-digit by one-digit multiplication with and without regrouping. We learned the area model for multiplication and the heart model. We are currently working on finding the area of shapes and will be starting equivalent fractions next week.

4th Grade: Writing Power Our is in full swing! The kids are enjoying the small group and targeted instruction they are receiving, and we can't wait to mix in math and reading! Reading students have been practicing various strategies in their class work and understanding why it is important to apply them. They are enjoying the activities that are reinforcing comprehension strategies and skills. We have been focusing on the fiction genre and the elements it contains. Science students are observing patterns on Earth. In math, we are working on angle measurement, division, perimeter and area this six weeks.

5th Grade: 5th grade students have been enjoying the STAAR Power Our that has started in preparation for the upcoming STAAR tests. They have loved stopping their days to get in small groups and learn the skills they will need to grow and succeed. Students in reading have loved getting to know their new student teacher, Mrs. Oros. She has been a great addition to the classroom. The students are a little sad that DARE is coming to an end, but they are looking forward to DARE graduation. They have been working hard on preparing their DARE essays. In social studies, the students have enjoyed learning about the events that led to the American Revolution. They learned how the United States became an independent nation and why we celebrate on July 4th. In math, we have learned how to find volume and adding and subtracting fractions. The students have also enjoyed multiplying and dividing fractions using models.

PE/Music/Library: Music is really in the groove! We are preparing for programs as well as DARE graduation. 4th and 5th grades are playing recorders and working hard to receive their belts.

In PE, we are close to finishing up our Fitness gram testing. The students have been trying hard and doing their best. Roadrunners is still going strong and we are looking forward to warmer weather outside.