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NISD Names Two New Schools

At the March 18 school board meeting, the Northwest ISD Board of Trustees unanimously approved the names for elementary school 17 and the new high school.

Wayne A. Cox Elementary School

Named after former Northwest ISD educator and longtime resident of Justin, Wayne A. Cox Elementary School will open in Roanoke in the Fairways Ranch housing development in August 2013. Wayne A. Cox was known as a servant in his community. Cox was one of the original Justin city council members in 1946 and later led the city of Justin as mayor. He was principal of Justin Elementary School from 1957-1967 and Northwest Junior High School from 1967-1971. Cox was recognized for his role in developing a foundation for Northwest ISD during the consolidation of communities. He retired from education after serving students and his community for 42 years. Several generations of the Cox family have graduated from Northwest ISD.

The new elementary campus will open with approximately 350 kindergarten through fifth grade students. Located in one of the fastest growing areas in Northwest ISD, it is estimated Cox Elementary School could have nearly 650 students within the next three years. The 109,926 square-foot campus is designed for the optimal capacity of 850 students.

V.R. Eaton High School

The district's third comprehensive high school is named in honor of Wise County resident and rancher, V.R. Eaton. Eaton served as a member on the first Northwest ISD school board and assisted in the organization of the district's consolidation. As the owner of Chisholm Trail Ranch near Rhome, Eaton was an advocate for the Northwest High School vocational agricultural program. His son Roy was a founding director of the Northwest ISD Education Foundation and a graduate of Northwest ISD.

V.R. Eaton High School will open in the north Fort Worth/Haslet area in 2015. Funds have been approved through the 2012 bond referendum to begin construction this spring. A committee will meet in the spring of 2014 to determine school colors and select the school's mascot. Attendance boundaries are expected to be approved by the NISD Board of Trustees in June 2013.