



## Media Advisory

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### Northwest ISD to Welcome 19,000+ Students on August 27 NISD to Open 17<sup>th</sup> Elementary School Campus

**WHO:** 19,050 students  
1,900 staff

**WHAT:** First Day of School

**WHEN:** Tuesday, August 27

This four-day instructional week offers a smooth transition for families during the first week of classes and allows teachers to prepare with a workday on Monday, August 26 prior to the start of school.

**WHERE:** This year, the district will operate 17 elementary schools, five middle schools, two comprehensive high schools and an accelerated high school. At 234 square miles, the district spans three counties (Denton, Tarrant and Wise) and 14 municipalities. The district's 17<sup>th</sup> elementary school opens this fall and is at the following address:

**Wayne A. Cox Elementary School**  
1100 Litsey Road  
Roanoke, TX 76262

Cox Elementary School will welcome 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. The school features an expanded cafeteria and gymnasium, open space, enclosed courtyard, flex spaces and energy efficient amenities.

"Our projections show the student enrollment at Cox could double in size by the 2017-2018 school year," said Assistant Superintendent for Facilities, Planning and Construction Dennis McCreary. "We anticipate this to be one of the fastest growing schools in our district over the next couple of years."

**WHY:** The Northwest ISD student population is expected to increase by 35 percent in the next five years. That increase in population is driven by the development of new homes and employment within the area.

**NOTE:** **School Schedules**  
Elementary Schools: 7:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.  
Middle Schools: 9:20 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Northwest High and Byron Nelson High Schools: 8:35 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.  
Steele Accelerated High School: 8:25 a.m. – 3:35 p.m.

If you would like pictures and video of Cox Elementary, please contact Emily Conklin at 817-215-0169 or 940-535-8010.

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