



## School Notes

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**Note: The Northwest ISD Administration Building and district employees will begin operating on summer hours on Monday, June 5, and regular hours will resume on through Monday, Aug. 7. During summer hours, the building will be open and district staff will work from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.**

### Northwest ISD School Notes, May 31-June 12

#### **High schools graduate 1,400 students**

About 1,400 Northwest ISD seniors graduated at three ceremonies over the past week, heading toward their next paths in life in college, the workforce, military or other endeavors.

The graduates combined to earn more than \$34 million in scholarship offers, including \$20 million for Northwest High School students, \$14 million for Byron Nelson High School students and \$185,000 for Steele Accelerated High School students. This year's seniors also saw tremendous academic and extracurricular success, earning a variety of honors throughout the school year.

Northwest ISD's Class of 2017 includes 60 student-athletes who signed letters of intent to play collegiate sports, with 31 Northwest students headed to college on athletic scholarships and 29 Byron Nelson students set to compete in collegiate sports. It has also seen prestigious fine arts award-winners, such as Northwest's regional-advancing one-act play company as well as Northwest and Byron Nelson's UIL marching bands both receiving the top score possible at the regional competition.

District graduation photos are available at [www.flickr.com/northwestisd](http://www.flickr.com/northwestisd).

#### **Byron Nelson takes home top play, two individual honors at Buckley Awards**

Byron Nelson High School's theatre program earned three awards, including the top play award, at the recent 2017 Betty Lynn Buckley Awards, a ceremony honoring top area high school musicals and plays.

The Bobcat theatre program earned the top play award for its performance of "Macbeth," and two students won individual awards. Joe Caskey won the best actor in a play award for his performance in "Macbeth," while Emma Horn won the excellence in sound design award for her work in the school's musical, "Thoroughly Modern Millie."

Byron Nelson was nominated for seven awards in the competition, while Northwest High School was nominated for six.

The Buckley awards came one week after another major award, as theatre director Wendy Bramlett won best direction at the Dallas Summer Musicals High School Musical Theatre Awards.

#### **Online enrollment for 2017-18 new students now available, returning student enrollment coming soon**

Online enrollment for students new to Northwest ISD during the 2017-18 school year is now available at [www.nisdtx.org/enrollment](http://www.nisdtx.org/enrollment), and registration for returning students will open on July 17.

Northwest ISD now uses the PowerSchool Registration online enrollment service, simplifying the process from previous years. PowerSchool Registration will gradually walk parents and guardians through a step-by-step online enrollment process, with simple questions for each child being enrolled.

When online enrollment opens for returning students, parents and guardians will be sent a "snap code" to register their children. This snap code will allow parents and guardians to begin updating their child's information and provide pre-filled information in many areas.

Parents and guardians should use an email address they readily use, as all future enrollment communication will be sent to this address, including coming school years. If a parent or guardian has multiple children in the district, he or she should use the same email address for all student registrations.

All parents and guardians enrolling children should be prepared with proof of residency and updated immunization records.

To ensure the enrollment process is as easy as possible for families new to the district, Northwest ISD will hold centralized summer registration for various feeder patterns from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the following dates:

- Aug. 2: Northwest High School
- Aug. 11: Byron Nelson High School
- Aug. 15: Eaton High School

Parents and guardians new to the district should attend the registration event that corresponds to their child's zoned high school (parents and guardians of all elementary and middle schools that feed into Northwest High School would attend its event, for instance). Students who will attend Steele Accelerated High School can attend any of the three events.

Families of returning students can complete the registration process at their children's campuses. Families new to the district can also complete the registration process at their children's campuses instead of at the aforementioned registration events if they desire.

#### **Tuition-based pre-K application process closes June 8**

Northwest ISD will begin offering tuition-based pre-kindergarten during the 2017-18 school year, and the application process for the program is now open.

Tuition-based pre-K is available for children who live within Northwest ISD boundaries and will be 4 years old by Sept. 1 but do not meet the eligibility requirements to enroll in state-funded pre-K. Those who are accepted into the tuition-based program will have the opportunity to attend half-day pre-K. Tuition for the program is \$419.77 per month over nine months.

Because class space is limited, tuition-based pre-K will select students through a lottery system. Lottery registration for the program will be available until Thursday, June 8, when the application process will close. On Monday, July 31, students will be selected for the program based on available classroom spaces at Hughes, Justin, Lakeview, Love, Nance, Prairie View, Seven Hills and Thompson elementary schools.

Parents and guardians of applicants will be notified of their position by 5 p.m. selection day and will have 48 hours to complete online registration and schedule a document review session with their campus.

To begin the tuition-based pre-K application process or learn more about the program, [click here](#). For information about the state-funded program – available free to those who meet language, educationally disadvantaged, active-duty military parent, foster care or homeless requirements – [click here](#).

#### **Texas Rangers hosting Northwest ISD Night on June 2**

Northwest ISD and the Texas Rangers will host a special community night for the school district's students, staff and families, and tickets to the night's game are now on sale.

The Texas Rangers will host Northwest ISD Night on Friday, June 2, when the team faces the Houston Astros beginning at 7:05 p.m. An exclusive voucher to receive a free Texas Rangers baseball cap branded with one of Northwest ISD's three comprehensive high schools (Byron Nelson, Eaton or Northwest) will be provided to the first 300 registrants for each school. Additionally, all Northwest ISD students registered as part of the community night will receive a free whiffle ball set.

Prior to the game's start, the Rangers will also celebrate Northwest ISD education through a special video recording and announced information.

All tickets purchased for the event will receive a discounted price. For more information about the event, [click here to download a PDF flyer](#). To purchase tickets in one of the nine seating areas included for the event, visit [www.texasrangers.com/schools](http://www.texasrangers.com/schools).

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**Registration for Junior Chef Academy ends June 9**

Children interested in cooking are invited to a summer camp hosted at Northwest ISD, where they can receive hands-on cooking experience.

Aramark, Northwest ISD's food service provider, will host its Junior Chef Academy summer camp from June 19-22 for students in fourth grade or above. The camp will take place at Pike Middle School, with classes lasting from 9 a.m. to noon. Students will learn basic cooking skills and get hands-on cooking experience, each day cooking an entree and a snack.

At the end of the academy, each student will receive a cookbook with all featured recipes. Registration is \$50 per student, and registration can be completed online. All registration will close on Friday, June 9.

For more information about the camp or to register a child, [click here](#).

**Next school board meeting taking place June 12**

The Northwest ISD Board of Trustees will hold its next regular meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, June 12, in the boardroom at the Northwest ISD Administration Building, located at 2001 Texan Drive in Fort Worth.

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