

To: AISD Board of Trustees
Dr. James Monaco, Superintendent

From: Mr. Jeff Mulkey, Principal, Aubrey High School

Date: May 13, 2011

Subject: Board Communication

Band – Ron Chapman

Spring Concert
UNT Murchinson Performance Hall
2:30-4:30
All bands will play.
The HS Band will play 1st at 2:30

State Solo and Ensemble Contest
May 30th, Pflugerville HS
Approximately 30 HS students will perform

Science – Penny Wimbrough

Chemistry is finishing up this year by learning about redo reaction and nuclear equations. They will be performing a half-life simulation lab at the end of the week. We are also preparing for the end of course exam and final exams.

AP Chemistry is currently working on a report and presentation about polymers - the history and current uses.

Physics is wrapping up the year with an end of course test (EOC) on Friday, May 13th. After that we will be reviewing for the Semester Final and finishing up the year.

Environmental- the students are in the middle of working on a cumulative project that encompasses everything from the year and what we have done in environmental.

Anatomy & Physiology: They are finishing their career presentations after that we will be doing two labs that involve the senses. In the first lab they will be looking at visual perception in several ways. The second lab will involve them experiencing loss of sight and hearing using blindfolds and ear plugs. Then we will begin review for their final exam.

Biology: The biology students are currently working on Body systems booklets in which they are researching other organ systems in the human body. They are investigating what the organs are in these systems, how the systems function and work together and how they are impacted by disease. After they have turned the booklets in we will begin reviewing for their final exam.

Pre-AP Biology: They are investigating the effects of different levels of light on seedlings. They are also learning about plants systems and adaptations. When they have completed this unit they will begin reviewing for their final exam.

Social Studies – Shaon Ranton

Doing EOC'S, finishing up the year. Reviewing for semester tests.

UIL Speech/Debate/Academics/Theatre – Chris Shoemake

Aubrey UIL recently competed at the AAA State Academic meet at the University of Texas in Austin. The kids did a great job and had a great showing in our first year in conference AAA. The following students placed in their event and qualified for State.

Science

Ryan Priest 3rd place at Region and 9th at the State Meet

Lincoln Douglas Debate

Kirin Kromer 3rd at region 5th at state

One Act Play Region Champions and State 2nd Runner-Up!

Aubrey High School's production of *The Pillowman* placed 1st at the Region 2-AAA one act play competition.

Best Actor- James Janeski

All Star Cast- Dallas Flick

Aubrey High School's production of *The Pillowman* placed 3rd at the AAA State one act play competition.

All Star Cast- James Janeski

Honorable Mention All Star Cast - Dallas Flick

We have just completed a very successful year and we are looking forward to even more success in the future. Thank you for all of your support.

FCCLA – Sharon Pelzel

CATE: True Life Skills

I have many times commented that we, career and technical education teachers, are the luckiest teachers. We arm students with real life skills which they will use for the rest of their lives. Whether it be consumer buying, healthy diets, technical skills relationship and communication skills or the many aspects of human growth and development, family and consumer science gives students basic knowledge needed to be a successful adult, family member, and citizen. By partnering with parents/guardians, FCS gives students a strong foundation to meet the challenges of living on their own. I join the other CATE teachers in viewing the real evidence of the academic year with great pride. Have a great summer and I look forward to 2011-12!

Sharon Pelzel

FCCLA Update

The Aubrey High School Chapter of Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) were very busy with many spring events and competitions.

FCCLA Region II Leadership Conference

The Chapter Showcase Manual team of Cindy Altamirano, Stacey Butterfield, and Elena Velez were named State Qualifiers. This is a FIRST since the chapter formed 3 years ago. This STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition) event is a scrapbook and oral presentation of how our chapter met the mission and goals of the organization. This team and AnaDeLeon also competed in the Leadership Enhancement Opportunities (LEOs). They placed as follows: Cindy Altamirano—Gold Medal; Stacey Butterfield and Ana DeLeon—Silver Medals; and Elena Velez—Bronze Medal.

Denton County Youth Fair

Aubrey FCCLA made an excellent showing at the Denton County Youth Fair. Twenty students brought 27 entries in the food and crafts divisions earning first, second, and third place ribbons. Jessica Ruyle and Cindy Altamirano won their respective food divisions and were then eligible for entries in the silent auction. Both will receive approximately \$100 for their entry. Congratulations to all participants for representing Aubrey FCCLA is a big way!

Blue Ribbon Club Scholarship Awardees

On March 28, three FCCLA members won scholarships at the Blue Ribbon Club Scholarship Award Dinner. Emma Bird was awarded \$1,000 and named the top FCCLA award winner. Anna Bird and Jessica Ruyle were \$500 scholarship award winners. Each awardee has the opportunity to earn \$500-\$1,000 continuing education scholarships for three additional years making the potential award \$2,000-\$4,000. Congratulations FCCLA'ers!

State FCCLA Leadership Conference

The Chapter Showcase Team of Cindy Altamirano and Elena Velez represented Region II and Aubrey FCCLA at the State FCCLA Leadership Conference in Houston on April 11-13. They competed against 30 other entries from 1A-5A high schools throughout the state. The team spent more than 100 hours compiling information about our chapter and the goals of the organization into a scrapbook showcasing the 2010-11 school year. Congratulations to them for their efforts in representing our FCCLA Chapter!

Congratulations to the following students who received medals for the Leadership Enhancement Opportunities competition at the State Conference: Ashley Gregory and Ana DeLeon—Silver Medals; Elizabeth Lopez and Melani Rebolledo—Bronze Medals.

State FCCLA Scholarships

Aubrey FCCLA members, Anna Bird and Emma Bird, were the first state scholarship award winners since the chapter formed 3 years ago. Both received the Houston Livestock Show Scholarships in the amount of \$16,000 each. They were two of ten awarded these scholarships which are the highest scholarships awarded by the state organization. We are so proud of the leadership and service example these students have given to others. Congratulations and best wishes on your college careers!

Teens in the Driver's Seat Campaign

Last fall, a team of FCCLA members were trained to bring the message of non-distracted driving to our students. Partnering with Teens in the Driver's Seat, the FCCLA team of Ana DeLeon, Cody Greer, Ashley Gregory, Elizabeth Lopez, Melani Rebolledo, and Elena Velez developed a program for Aubrey High School. They began the awareness campaign by doing a distracted driving survey through the English classes to get information from as many students as possible. Then they encouraged AHS teachers to show the AT&T YouTube video, **The Last Text**, with testimonials from the families and friends

left behind, as well as actual victims of distracted driving. The FCCLA team then encouraged students to pledge ending texting and driving or other distractions while driving to save lives.

AHS FCCLA Meetings

FCCLA member meetings are held at least once a month and they provide lunch. This has been a great opportunity for our students to learn valuable quantity cooking skills because we are cooking for 40. Each month, Vice President for Recreation, Whitney Robinson, plans meals which have included holiday themed menus with healthy, low-cost foods. Whitney also coordinated a community-building activity for each meeting. Thank you, Whitney, for your leadership, and special thanks to the students who volunteered to prepare the meals.