

Franklin Elementary

103 Country Club Road Hillsboro, TX 76645

August 2017 Board Report

Welcome New School Year and New Staff

Franklin Elementary welcomes the 2017-2018 school year! Our theme is: Cultivating a Growth Mindset! We have a few new additions to our Franklin family. In our Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities, Miranda Robinson and Rubi Pineda will serve as paraprofessionals. Join us in welcoming Kelli McClain and Angela Urista back to our district. McClain is returning as a prekindergarten teacher, and Mrs. Urista will serve as the office and student records clerk. It's going to be a fantastic year!

Professional Development

We love learning at Franklin Elementary. Although school was out for the summer, our staff continued to learn and grow by participating in numerous hours of professional development. Our teachers attended the Schlechty Design Camp to design engaging work for students. We also continued to make learning visible through digital portfolios. Katie Pierce led a session on communication to develop our Portrait of a Learner. Vicki Ellison and Kandy Faris attended a CLI Coaching Conference in Houston. We are excited about using your new learnings to increase student achievement!

Next Steps for Continuous Improvement

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| 1. Align report cards and progress monitoring |
| 2. Give more community/parent resource information to families |
| 3. Give parents additional strategies to support learning at home |
| 4. Formally plan together horizontally once per week, and develop a vertical planning time with kindergarten |
| 5. Increase spot observations and mentoring time with teachers |
| 6. Teachers communicate more with families about classroom activities and goals through digital portfolios |

Upcoming Events

- Student registration August 2nd & 3rd
- Eagle's Nest Meet the Caregiver August 9th 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- Franklin Meet the Teacher August 21th 4:30-6:30 p.m. (staggered by teacher)