

CHAPARRAL ACTION



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June 2011

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A Letter From Dr. James Monaco, Superintendent...

The past year has been a successful one for Aubrey ISD. Our FFA continues to rise above others in Denton County as our students received multiple scholarships, our UIL and AcaDec teams have made another annual trip to State level competitions obtaining trophies and medals. Our HS One Act Play made it to the state level and placed third overall! Our FCCLA continues to grow and provide educational programs such as 'Teens in the Driver Seat' to deter texting while driving. Also, our BETA club dedicated their year to the 'Pay it Forward' theme and sponsored the Texas Tobacco Free Kids program. Our athletic teams have continued to do well in our transition to 3A as many teams made it to play off levels and the Mighty Aubrey Chaparral Band ranked high in 3A competition.

Even our younger students are continuing the tradition of success. The Junior Beta is sponsoring yet again the elementary field day and our elementary and middle school UIL teams dominated all other schools in our district. Students at MES placed 1st in regional competition for Battle of the Books and BES developed the Brockett Environmental Learning Lab Area built strictly by students and volunteers that support the school and its endeavors. I strongly believe with all of this success, that the students at Aubrey ISD have received the best education in the State of Texas.

We are now a 3A district and the demands have increased; however, AISD still had an academically successful year which is obvious through the unofficial results of TAKS exams this year. We expect to report two Exemplary campuses, a Recognized campus, and a Recognized district. It is our plan to continue to provide that superior education to our students even through the continued growth seen in both of our elementary schools, the middle school, and the high school.

Your Board of Trustees, administrators, teachers, and support staff have worked hard to provide educational experiences which carry out the high expectations of this community and challenge our students' abilities.

On behalf of us all, I would like to say "thank you" to the community for a great school year and look forward to another successful year in 2011-2012.

Sincerely,

Dr. James A. Monaco



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Aubrey High School



A Letter From Mr. Jeff Mulkey, AHS Principal...

Dear Chap Parents and Students,

We are wrapping up another great year at Aubrey High School. Once again, our students, teachers, and coaches have excelled in nearly every area. Our school has once again proven to be one of the best in the north Texas area. It is all possible due to the dedication of our students, parents, and teachers.

Aubrey High will be going through some changes next year. The most significant of those is that we will be switching from a modified block schedule to a traditional eight period day. This means that our students will attend all of their classes' everyday of the school year. It will also be a change for our students enrolled dual credit. These students will now attend their college class three times a week for 50 minute periods as opposed to the present schedule of two times a week for 90 minutes. These changes will help to increase our scheduling flexibility for our students. As with all changes there will be some bumps in the road, but will ultimately help us provide the best education possible for our students.

I am very excited about the upcoming 2011-2012 school year and the continued successes of our students. Thank you all for your continued support of Aubrey High School and its students. I hope you have a safe and wonderful summer.

Jeff Mulkey



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AHS BETA

Beta kicked off the year with the theme “Pay It Forward”. In September, Beta students watched the “Pay It Forward” movie, had a potluck, and discussed the events will be doing this year. We started carrying out that theme with a trip to the Pilot Point nursing home where the kids spent a few hours painting the resident’s fingernails and playing dominos with them. During the month of December, Beta students adopted a family in need and went on a shopping spree to spoil two little boys with numerous Christmas presents. We were also invited to be Elves at the Aubrey Christmas tree lighting ceremony and had a great time helping Santa! In January, the Beta students attended the State Beta Convention with an overnight trip to Dallas. February brought the 5th annual Father Daughter Dance for elementary aged students, which always proves to be a favorite event for Beta to sponsor. In March, Beta headed south for a trip to the Kemah Boardwalk, Houston Space Center and a Tobacco Free Texas camp. As a follow-up to that camp, in April, the Beta kids hosted a Tobacco Free Kids week with numerous events including: dress up days, creating a memorial of 3600 spoons (one for each Texan who dies every year from secondhand smoke), information booths during lunch, and the production of an anti-tobacco video that was presented to the entire high school. May brings the final event of the school year... the senior will be traveling to Great Wolf Lodge for their senior trip and then to the DFW airport to greet the soldiers returning home from overseas duty. This summer, Mrs. Heimdal has applied for a grant to bring 3 students to the State Tobacco Free Texas Summit which is a week-long, fun, educational event that is hosted at a 4 Diamond Resort near Houston. Hopefully we will be making a free trip south in July!

BETA Girls at “Father Daughter Dance”



Coach “Skinney” cuts a rug...

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BETA Elves



BETA takes on Kemah Boardwalk



Pay It Forward Dinner



BETA Tobacco Free Week

AHS CHEER

The Aubrey High School Cheerleaders had another exciting year cheering for our athletes successes. The Varsity Squad members for 2010-2011 were Captain Katie Skoglund, Co-captain Kaitlyn Ross, Lindsey Clemmer, Melanie Funk, Whitney Hestand, Shelby Holton, Carlee Parrent, Madison Presley, Deedee Sosebee, Carol Thumann, Lindsay Wilson, Lauren Yarbrough and mascot Jessica Heimdal. The Junior Varsity Squad members were Calley Downing, Michelle Eiland, Baylee Friday, Rachel Hamm, Taylor Hood, Kenna Patterson and Marissa Perkins

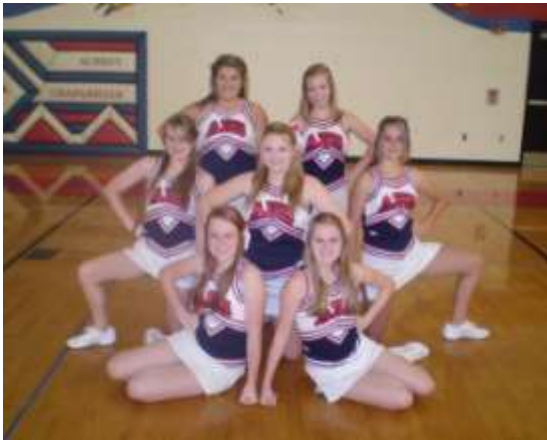
Along with the fun, there is a large amount of hard work and preparation that goes into cheerleading. The commitment, dedication and spirit these young ladies held was outstanding.

We say goodbye to six seniors this year...Whitney Hestand, Kaitlyn Ross, Katie Skoglund, Carol Thumann, Lindsay Wilson and Lauren Yarbrough. Their enthusiasm was contagious and an inspiration to the entire student body.

AHS all the way!

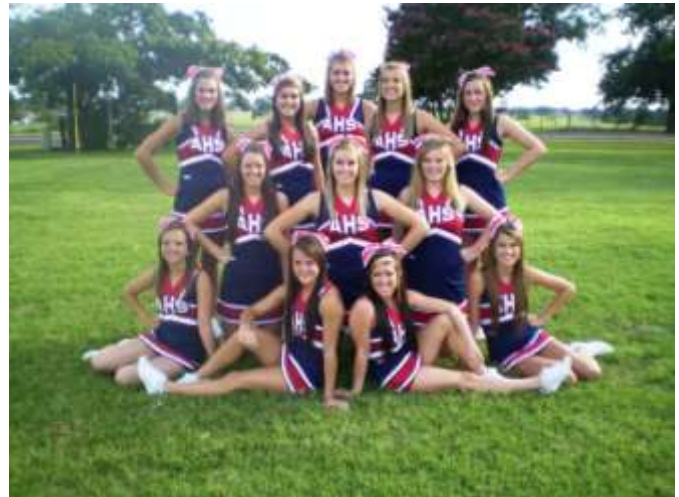
Sharon Clemmer

AHS Cheer Sponsor



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Varsity 2010



UIL, Speech, and Debate

It has been a wonderful year for Aubrey UIL, Speech & Debate, and Theatre. All of our programs have grown over the past year and we have achieved above our expectations as we moved up to Conference AAA.

Aubrey Theatre won One Act Play District, Area, and Region Titles and will compete in the state meet on May 9, at the University of Texas in Austin.

Aubrey High School Academics won many tournament championships over the year including:

1st place sweepstakes- Holliday High School Tournament

District 9AAA Speech Championship

2nd place sweepstakes- North Lamar Fall Tournament

3rd Place Sweepstakes- Denton Ryan Academic Tournament

3rd place Sweepstakes- Gainesville High School Tournament

We also had many students win many individual titles.

Dallas Flick won 5 first place medals for Persuasive Speaking.

Dallas Flick and Margaret McCullough won two titles in CX Debate and Kirin Kromer, Baylee Friday, Taylor Wilcox, Taylor Hood, Jacob Wofford, and Margaret McCullough all won individual titles at tournaments this year.

Aubrey also did very well at the UIL Spring Meet. We placed as the Academic Runner-UP in second place behind Argyle. We won the district speech championship by a landslide beating all other teams by 100 points! We had 30 students advance from district to region. We were one the largest contingents at the regional meet.

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Dallas Flick and Margaret McCullough placed second in district and advanced to the state meet where Dallas was named the 4th best speaker in conference 3A!

Kirin Kromer placed first in District in LD Debate and 3rd at Region and advance to the state competition where she will compete on May 6th. Hayley Ford placed second at district and Joseph DeRusha Placed 3rd.

Margaret McCullough placed 2nd and Baylee Friday placed 3rd in Poetry interp to advance to region.

Kristen Reding placed 1st in prose interp and Jacob Wofford placed 2nd to advance to region.

Dallas Flick placed first and Kirin Kromer placed 2nd in extemporaneous speaking. Both students advanced to region where Kirin placed 5th.

We also had a strong showing from our testing and writing events.

We placed second place in science, current events, math, accounting, and ready writing. Science and Accounting advanced to Region as a wildcard team. Ryan Priest advanced to State in Science where he will compete May 7th.

Overall Aubrey UIL had a successful year on which to build towards future state titles. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of Donald Gipson, Edgar Jackson, and Jaime Noles. Without the hard work and dedication of these coaches and the support of Mr. Mulkey and Dr. Monaco our students wouldn't be able to achieve as they do.

Thank you for your support and all you do to help us remain successful,

Christopher Shoemake

UIL Academic Coordinator, Speech & Debate, Theatre

Aubrey HS

AHS THEATER

Lights, Camera, Action....

Over the past five months, the Aubrey High School Theatre Department has been working hard on their One Act Play competition selection, "The Pillowman." Being their first year as a conference 3A high school, the competition was especially difficult. The One Act Play advanced from District to Area, Area to Region, and is competing at the State level on May 9th. Only 40 schools in the state of Texas (1A thru 5A) advance to the highest level of competition. 1186 schools do not advance to state. This is quite an accomplishment!



FCCLA

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

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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 Drivers 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 a special thanks to the students who volunteered to prepare the meals.



A Letter From Mrs. Delore Jones, AMS Principal...

Dear AMS Parents and Community Members,

It is hard to believe we are already at the end of the 2010-2011 school year. We have had a fabulous year at Aubrey Middle School and are looking forward to next year and all the exciting things we have in store.

We are very proud of the many achievements our students have made this year in the classroom, UIL academics competitions and on the playing fields. The teachers and students have worked very hard to make this year very successful.

As the school year comes to a close I want to take this opportunity to thank all our parents for their hard work and dedication to our students. It is your hard work and dedication that helps us accomplish our goals for your students at Aubrey Middle School. I would also like to give a special thanks to the PTO members and volunteers for all they do to support our students and staff. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated.

Have a wonderful summer and we look forward to seeing you next year.

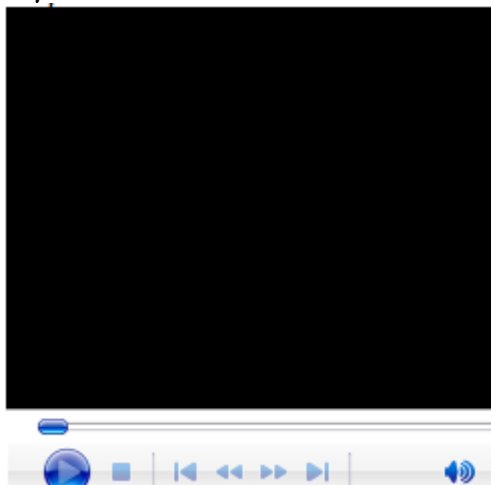
Sincerely,

Delore Jones

Seventh Grade Texas Road-trip 2011

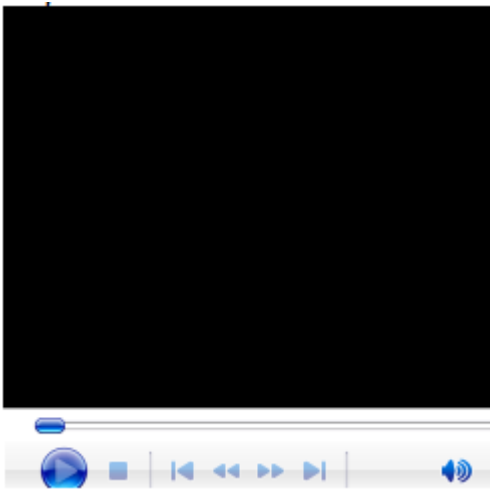
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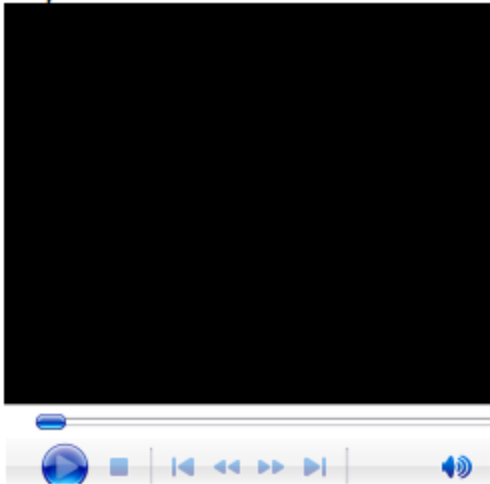


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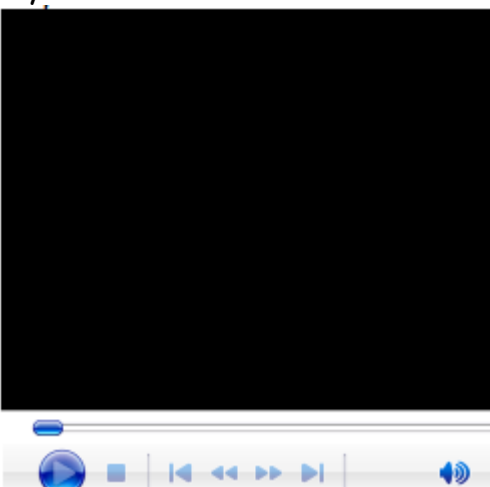
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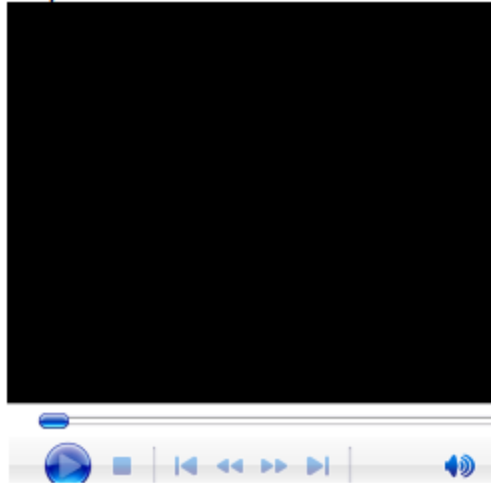


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Day 3B



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AMS Spirit Squad

2010-2011 AMS Spirit Squad

The Spirit Squad once again brought lots of fun to the middle school campus this year and made sure that Chap Spirit was spread everywhere! They kicked off the year with a 2-day camp where they learned spirit routines and chants and painted spirit signs to hang in the hallways and gym. They participated in the Homecoming Parade and cheered at middle school football games, volleyball games, and basketball games and put together (hundreds!) of candy treats to give to all AMS students competing in sports, UIL, band, and FFA. They coordinated with Mrs. Gillum for Red Ribbon/Spirit Week and put together an exciting skit for each pep rally, including a Justin Bieber look-alike skit, decorating teachers' faces with ice cream sundaes, and the "Thriller" dance. Way to bring on the AMS Spirit, girls!

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2010-2011 Members, from L-R: Front Row: Alex Urrea, Kaylee Wood; Middle Row: Ashley Mattheus, Jessica Rodriguez, Railey Vanderburg, Kymberli Pruett, Yessica Barrientos; Last Row: Abbey Brewer, Aspen Brock, Lauren Hart, Sponsor Mrs. Brooks, Scarlett Gregory, Hannah Sanchez, Mercedes Perez



UIL and Theater

Aubrey Middle School UIL Team worked extremely hard all year long and brought home over 100 medals from District. We had students place in nearly every single event entered! Kaitlyn Wofford received a perfect score on her Music Memory test, an extremely difficult task to accomplish. Coaches are hard at work preparing for next year's awesome squad!



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Aubrey Middle School's One Act Play also did an amazing job in their version of Wiley and the Hairy Man by Suzan Zeder, placing third at district bringing home several honors. All Star Cast went to Monica Diaz, Kayla Wessels, Alexa Beaty, Diana Ramirez, Brooklyn Lerbakken, Ivana Gharbi, Gabrielle Turner, and Hope Lederman for their performance as the Chorus, Mickey Glover and Kelly Woodley received Honorable Mention All Star Cast, and Mariah Pope received Outstanding Tech Crew. Most importantly, the students had an amazing time and grew in knowledge of theatre.



ART

Aubrey Middle School Art Students have had quite the year. In class, we practiced using a variety of media from pencil, marker, charcoal, pastels, paints, and wire. Our hallways featured the great work from our students.

This fall, we participated in UIL Art Smarts; sixth grade student, Samantha Turner represented us well and placed at the district level.

December was a busy time for all of us. Students made posters for the 7th grade Pie Fundraiser and helped the Theatre department with painting yard signs.

Along with the great things happening on campus, several of the students had work featured at the annual Aubrey Education Foundation Gala, which was held this spring. Featured artists were, Shania Archibeque showing her work with pastels, Kaitlyn Kilcrease with posed hand drawings done in charcoal, & Caitlyn Denning with her take on "pop art".

Brockett Elementary



A Letter from Mrs. Connie Lott, BES Principal...

To the Families of Brockett Elementary School,

Wow! What an awesome year we have had together. Brockett Elementary students have been amazing. They have worked extremely hard and have grown by leaps and bounds. These students are students that we can watch out for as they are our "Stars for the Future". They are excited about learning and have character that leads their way for life.

Parents, thank you for all of your support and help this year. You are so wonderful. The many hours that have been dedicated to volunteering, working with your child, and supporting our school is priceless. Our PTO organization has given tirelessly and has worked to give back to our school, keeping our children first. WATCH D.O.G.S, Dads of Great Students, you rock! Each day our students look forward to you coming to Brockett Elementary and being a part of our day. Teaming up with the Aubrey Fire Department, we want our local firemen to know of our appreciation for participating and being a part of our WATCH DOG program. Brockett Elementary is so fortunate to have the support that our parents and community give to children and education.

Our faculty and staff at Brockett Elementary "Make a Difference" each day as they give a gift that a price cannot be placed upon, an "education"! We are dedicated to serving the children of Aubrey ISD. Preparation and time is given continuously, as the faculty puts children and education first. With great appreciation for all that is given, our children win, because together "We Give It Our Best"!

Many accomplishments and events have been exciting for Brockett Elementary. But one of our most exciting projects this year has been the creation of our outdoor classroom. The Brockett Environmental Learning Lab Area, B.E.L.L.A. was a dream of several educators on our campus. A committee was formed and the work began. From a spot outside with just a little green grass, we now have a beautiful pond with a waterfall that contains koi fish, a garden with vegetables, stepping stones for a counting grid to incorporate math, a variety of plants to study, a butterfly garden, and an area for students to work and study while they learn about their environment. The uniqueness of this project is one that included our whole school family: students, parents, faculty, community, and businesses. The support that comes from so many working together has given our students another avenue to learn. With much appreciation to all that contributed, a dream came true for children.

Aubrey ISD has so much to be proud of when it comes to educating children. We have great students with great parents who are excited about their child's education. Our teachers and staff are dedicated daily to children, caring from their hearts. The support from the community puts education as a top priority. Leadership and guidance from our administration and school board stand for excellence, giving educators the opportunity to "Make a Difference" in the lives of children.

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Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve the students of Brockett Elementary and Aubrey ISD. Words cannot express my appreciation as I am inspired each and every day by the children to work harder and give more than I could ever dream to "Make a Difference" in the life of a child.

Respectfully,

Connie Lott



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Brockett Elementary – Year in review



Our students have enjoyed many memorable field trips this year: Stephen Fite in concert, Casa Manana to watch the play "My Son Pinocchio", the Elm Fork Education Center in Denton, Bloomfield One-room Schoolhouse in Pilot Point, and Camp Goddard.



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We received funding for the new Brockett Environmental Learning Lab Area (B.E.L.L.A.). Students, staff and the community pulled together and dug in to the dirt. To celebrate Earth Day, each grade level planted a tree in B.E.L.L.A.



For Christmas, students traveled "Around the World" to learn about different cultures and customs.



Brockett Elementary started "Watch D.O.G.S." with a pizza party sign-up meeting.



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Mrs. Parker's 2nd Grade class sent letters to Marine, Will Coon. He visited the students while on leave.



Brockett Elementary celebrated the year with several "pep rallies".

Homecoming



TAKS



Students studied hard to receive dog tags for attendance and grades.

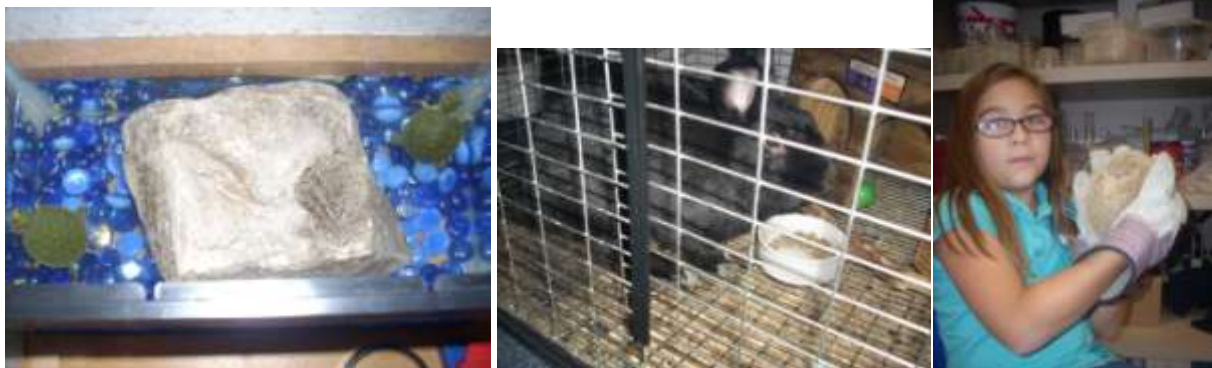
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Students were able to earn rewards when they displayed good character.



Several classrooms even had new members this year – class pets



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Student Council member were always busy. They run the paper recycling program for the school on a daily basis, held a toy drive, and even invited Santa to breakfast.



The Brockett PTO members were constantly busy around the school.



Radio Disney was on hand again this year for the annual Spring Fling.



Many of the grades and the S.W. A.T. teams performed musicals throughout the year.

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Our Library had many enjoyable activities including a field trip to the Dallas Symphony, a visit by Tim Tingle, the Character Parade, and Dr. Seuss' Birthday.



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Kindergarteners even celebrated “Cowboy Day” by dressing up and participating in a rodeo.



Fifth grade students participated in our annual Science Fair.



In UIL, students received runner-up. Great job students and thank you to everyone who helped them.



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Our fall and spring fundraisers were huge successes. Students who sold 5 containers of cookie dough received a stuffed animal and students who sold 20 containers received a chance in the money machine.



Brockett Elementary won **2nd place** overall in the school challenge for MDA.



BES MUSIC

Brockett Elementary music has had a BIG year. The All-Star Choir performed at their annual Christmas Concert and caroling field trip in December. This is the 12th year for the All-Star Choir. Joining them in concert and on the field trip was Brockett's percussion ensemble, the S.W.A.T. team. SWAT (students with amazing talent) members' audition for a spot on the team. This year's Blue SWAT team consists of 18 super 5th graders. The Red SWAT team is made up of 19 awesome 4th and 5th graders. The SWAT teams will perform their first all SWAT concert on May 12 in the Brockett gym.

Our UIL Music Memory teams (Brockett and Monaco students) did an amazing job this year, taking 1st place in 3rd grade Music Memory, 4th grade Music Memory and 5th grade Music Memory. It was a clean sweep! We couldn't be more proud of the hard work all our team members did to prepare for competition.

Our entire campus continues our yearly musical journey around the world. This year, classes studied the music and culture of Africa. The 2nd grade class presented a concert this spring featuring the music of Ghana, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Morocco and Sierra Leone. Our Blue and Red SWAT teams also performed marimba music from Africa.

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Brockett's 1st graders just performed their very own musical, "How Does Your Garden Groove". Our little veggies were movin' and groovin' to the beat with songs such as "The Hot Potato" and "Please Don't Put Us in a Can-Can". Look for more exciting musical adventures next year - the best is yet to come!

BES TECH

Our students have been working hard here at Brockett Elementary; inside and outside of the classroom. This year, 142 students acquired 'STUDY ISLAND ROYALTY' status by earning blue ribbons in every subject on STUDYISLAND.COM. Upon earning ROYALTY, the students are crowned, photographed and then placed on Mr. Cox's wall. If you have been down the 4th and 5th grade hallway at Brockett Elementary then you have probably seen all of the golden faces that adorn the wall. This royal badge of honor not only earns the student a 'ROYAL PASS' to Mr. Cox's end of the year **PARTY**, but it almost guarantees that these students will be successful on their TAKS test. I like to think of moments like that as a 'ROYAL PASS' as well.

D.O.G.S

Who Let the D.O.G.S Out?

There are D.O.G.S. in the hallways and classrooms of Brockett Elementary almost every day, but not the furry kind! The kind that you will find at Brockett are Watch D.O.G.S, or Dads of Great Students! Mr. Randall Fuller, a dad at Brockett, came to Mrs. Milacek, Brockett's school Counselor, saying that he wished there was a way for more men to be involved in their child's education. Soon after, Mrs. Milacek went to a conference and noticed a session about the Watch D.O.G.S. program that gets dads involved in school. She participated in the workshop and totally loved the idea and the program and decided to implement it at Brockett. In the program dads, brothers, uncles, grandfathers, stepdads and any other male role model can sign up for a day. So far the dads who have participated have enjoyed it; some have even said that they feel like rock stars during their volunteer day! So....men, be looking for the Dad and Kid's Pizza Night flyer in September! We would love to have a Watch D.O.G.S. volunteer for every day of the 2011-2012 school year at Brockett Elementary!!

Monaco Elementary



A Letter From Mrs. Jana Loman, MES Principal...

It has been a great year at Dr. James Monaco Elementary School. We began the 2010-2011 school year with 424 students and ended the year with a student body of 477.

Several highlights of the year include; Huddle Assemblies every six weeks to celebrate academic student successes and perfect attendance, PTO meetings once a month featuring grade level musical performances, the fifth

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grade class attending Camp Goddard for three days to support Science TEKS, faculty and staff Minute to Win It competitions in Survivor Teams, Under the Big Top Math/Science Night and Field Days.

After in-depth research, the Monaco Learning Garden was planned by MES parent, Kim Kane, and her sister, Stephanie Williams, and was approved by the AISD School Board. Bricks for a patio area of the garden are being sold to help with fundraising efforts. Local Boy Scouts are planning on assisting with the construction of the garden as their Eagle Scout Project. The Aubrey Education Foundation will also be assisting with funding for the garden. The first phase of the garden is set to begin in the fall of 2011.

In the spring, Monaco Elementary third, fourth, and fifth graders took the required TAKS assessments. While the majority of our TAKS scores are not back yet, we do know 100% of our fifth graders passed both the Math and Reading TAKS Tests! These scores won our fifth grade teachers - Mrs. Hazen, Mrs. Rouk and Mrs. Galyon the opportunity to sleep on the roof of the school one evening. How fun!

The Monaco Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization, headed by President Kelli Levi, and the PTO board did an incredible job this year! They worked overtime to make sure families had activities like Movie Night, Spaghetti Dinner, and the Spring Carnival. Also, hospitality chairman, Julie Loyd, and PTO parents provided wonderful teacher luncheons to honor staff each month.

Personal highlights of my first year as principal of Dr. James Monaco Elementary included receiving hugs from precious students along with sweet cards, letters, and drawings from them also. Another highlight was Positive Principal Referrals - a program set up by the former MES principal, Shannon Saylor, where classroom teachers and staff send students to the office to be recognized for positive behavior. In turn, I phoned parents to notify them of how their child was shining at school. It was a joy for me to inform parents of how proud we were of their child for positive behavior.

Angela Hellman, Monaco's PreK director, is establishing a new paid PreK center called The Early Bird Learning Center at 415 Tisdell Lane in Aubrey. Students may also qualify for the program for financial reasons or a disability. For more information on the PreK center you may contact Angela at 940-668-0000.

Kinder Round Up was May 12th but Pop Into Kinder is another opportunity to register your child on August 9th from 4:00 – 6:00 in the school cafeteria. You will need the child's birth certificate, social security card, up to date immunization records, and 2 proofs of residency (mortgage/lease, utility bill, etc.) plus a driver's license or picture ID. You can pick up a registration packet early in the school office. Summer office hours are Monday – Thursday 8:00-4:30.

Our school year ended with activities, celebrations, and graduations. It was a blessing to be able to help mold, educate and touch young lives this year.

Sincerely,

Jana Loman



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PRE-K

PRE-K NEWS:

As this 2010-2011 school year comes to a close, we begin to reflect on what a great year it has been. We had loads of fun working with all of the 3-5 year old students and loved watching them grow and blossom every day. Our favorite units of study this year were learning about bugs, exploring kings and queens, celebrating fall, learning about penguins and winter weather, celebrating families and friends, and exploring the world of dinosaurs. Our favorite activities were hibernating our teddy bears, taking a trip to the Pumpkin Patch, planting seeds, conducting experiments, performing classroom dances, participating in cooking activities, having an indoor snowball fight, participating in the petting zoo, and painting with rubber worms!!!



Pumpkin Patch



Teddy Bear Picnic



Kings and Queens Tea Party



Pajama Day

We are very excited about what direction our Pre-K program is headed for the next 2011-2012 school year. All of our qualifying Pre-K classes along with our new

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tuition-based Pre-K program will be housed at our new location on 415 Tisdell in Aubrey at the Old Middle School/Administration building. This is the building where our Employee Day Care is currently housed as well. We will be joining their family. The name for this center is going to be Early Bird Learning Center. We are excited about having a separate Early Childhood campus where we can focus solely on early childhood development. Our Center will have half and whole day options available. Our Pre-K roundup day has been set for July 12, 2011 at the new Center from 12:00 noon until 8:00 p.m. We are looking forward to the new year at a new location. If you have questions about our Pre-K program and available options, please feel free to contact Angela Hellman at 940-668-0000 ext. 4047 (wk) or 940-390-0033 (cell) or by email at ahellman@aubreyisd.net.

Pre-K Rocks!!!

Monaco News

News from Monaco Elementary



Field Day Fun at Monaco

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The annual PTO sponsored MES Spring Carnival...
These are some of the class baskets you bid on:



MES Kids

Say The Cutest Things...

2nd grader (very timid) - "Is it ok to turn in my t-shirt order form with cherry jelly on it?
It just happened at breakfast."

3rd grader (to teacher) - "Can I have a Kleenex please, don't want any "germanies" to get on you."

Me- "Sorry I missed you and your mom yesterday before you left, had something to give you."

3rd grader - "Well, we're *chumsy* like that!"

1st grader (comment on diabetic injection) - "Your shot today ranks a 99%, that's almost perfect!"

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MES makes other "green with envy" over our TAKS scores! Best wishes to our awesome students and test administrators this week!



MES had a Volunteer Garden Tea Party in appreciation for all our AWESOME school volunteers! Sandwiches, fruit, and tea cakes were served and goodie bags were given to everyone attending. A big "thank you" to our Monaco PTO board and members for all you do for our teachers, students, and school every day!!!



Monaco Elementary Student Council members had a Car Wash to earn money for teacher appreciation week.

They worked hard to get those vehicles spotless!



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The Kindergarten classes of Monaco Elementary packed the house last night with their musical entitled, "Tell Me A Story". They were so excited to perform and warmed the hearts of everyone! Great job students and Mrs. Newberry, music teacher!



The Things Kids Say...

"Hi Mrs. Henry! You are the lady in the sky! (Mrs. Henry does the morning announcements over the intercom)
~ MES Kindgartener

"Can I have a green Popsicle please; the red ones make me moody....."
~ MES 1st grader

Student - "Big words are not me."
Teacher - "Which big words would those be?"
Student- "All!"
~MES 5th grader

"The Rangers were just pretending not to play well in Spring Training..... STRATEGY!"
~ MES 3rd grader

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Board Member, Dr. Joey Saxon joins in the fun at Monaco Elementary Open House.



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First Grade Fieldtrip to Casa Mañana

Kindergarteners at Monaco Elementary had a rip-roaring time at their annual Rodeo Day today! Activities included stick pony barrel racing, bouncing bull-riding, and campfire stories.

They had fun dressing the part too..... cutest little cowpokes around!





Aubrey ISD elementary students from Brockett and Monaco brought home second place in the District 9 - 3A UIL competition held in December. The team won many medals for individual and team performance, especially in Music Memory where the mighty Chaparrals swept team gold in 3rd, 4th and 5th grades!



Mrs. Lowman pitches in to help celebrate National School Breakfast Week.



A surprise mobile unit travels MES bringing energy to our wonderful teachers and staff!



Aubrey AG

The Aubrey AG Department has had another amazing year! The Aubrey FFA Chapter consisted of over 100 active members led by 8 chapter officers. Miss Hailey White represented Aubrey as a District FFA Officer within our local district. We had over 45 students showing more than 60 animals at more than 10 livestock shows around the state as well as the country.

In the fall, the FFA members started the year off with their first round of competitions. The Leadership Development Events were a huge success. The Jr. Skills team, Jr. Quiz Team, and our Jr. Creed Speaker all advanced to the area contest. This was the all time best for the junior teams. Ivana Gharbi, 8th grade, represented Aubrey as our Jr. Creed speaker through the District/Area and ended up 11th overall at the state contest in Huntsville. This state qualification also allows Ivana to obtain her letterman as a freshman in the fall. We are very excited for her! In the late fall we collected over 412 blankets for the needy through the Hope Ministries. We were then able to distribute them to community members who needed them.

With the close of fall and start of a new calendar year brings the start to our livestock show season. As a chapter we attended the Ft. Worth Stock Show, San Antonio Livestock Show, and the San Angelo Stock Show. Other students chose to attend more shows on their own and did very well. Ethan Saye traveled over 50,000 miles in the last year showing his Beefmaster Heifers. Ethan has also won National merits at numerous shows this last year. He takes his project very seriously and it truly pays off!

Hard work was evident this year. Last year was great, but this year seems to just be a tad bit better. At the Ft. Worth show we drove home 2 Breed Champions, 2 Division Champions and 12 animals in the top ten of placing. At the San Antonio show we did similar work with 1 breed champion and 8 placing in the top ten. In San Angelo we placed as a Division winner with our flatbed trailer and 2 students walked away as Division Champions. Denton County Fair was another great accomplishment for us this year. We placed with 4 Grand Champion projects, 4 Reserve Grand Champion projects, 5 Grand Champion Showmanship's, 15 animal projects in the sale and over 30 students place in the top 6 placing! As well, our students worked very hard at the Career Development Events at Texas A&M Commerce on the poultry judging and livestock teams and placed in the top 50 (out of 100+ teams). I would say that's a good show season!

As the stock show season came to a close this, Aubrey FFA held their annual livestock show and sale. This was such a great event for our students and the community. Through this event, we were able to give back \$30,200.00 to the student's future livestock projects. As well, our FFA students worked very hard for our graduating seniors and were able to host a scholarship raffle that raised over \$6000.00 for qualifying graduates. Combined over \$36,200.00 was raised for our FFA members. In closing I must say we are very proud of our students in Aubrey FFA, they truly are the leaders of tomorrow.

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Time machine at the beginning of the year



Middle school bluebonnet lunch



MS Bluebonnet lunch



Brockett Bluebonnet brunch

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Rough Riders game - above



HS Visiting author, Chris Crutcher - below



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HS students at a MAVS game – a reward for a reading one of Chris Crutcher’s books

Visiting author, Tim Tingle at MES, BES, and MS



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Ms. Lott and Parker dressed up as Batman and Robin for

Bookfair fundraising efforts



Ms. Lowman dressed up as Batman for fundraising efforts at the bookfair

SUMMER SCHOOL

"Scooper" Cool Summer School

(Ice cream theme)

Summer School dates: June 6 - June 30

ESL students entering into Kinder and 1st 2011-2012

Monday thru Thursday 8:00-3:30

Monaco Elementary

K-8 Recommended based on TAKS assessments and Reading Readiness

Tuesday thru Thursday 8:00-12:30

Monaco Elementary

6-8 Credit Recovery

Monday thru Thursday 8:00-12:00

AHS

Cost: TBD



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Early Bird Learning Center



Now enrolling Tuition Based Preschool

Enrollment form and deposit can be turned in at Brockett or Monaco's front office.

Required Immunizations for the 2011-2012 School Year

Inmunizaciones requeridas para el aii.o escolar 2011-2012

Transfer Letter

Summer Fun

**Visit any AISD campus and pick up your "Hawaiian Falls Certificate".
Good for \$6.00 off the Big Kahuna daily admission.**



And \$1.50 of each purchase will go to the Aubrey Education Foundation.



Girls Volleyball

7-High School



Boy's Baseball Camp

Ages 9-14



Girl's Basketball Camp

Grades 2-9



Girl's Softball Camp

Grades 3-9



Boy's Basketball Camp

Grades 3-9



Boy's Football Camp

Grades 2-8

Aubrey ISD School Board



Mike Sessions



Ron Bullock



Jim Milacek



Marcus Pierce



Dr. Joey Saxon

Welcome New Board Members

COLLEEN DOW
and JOHN BROGDON



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