



# BOARD REPORT

## Wylie High School Enrollment

as of 12/29/2023

**1,505**

9<sup>th</sup> – 429

10<sup>th</sup> – 402

11<sup>th</sup> – 361

12<sup>th</sup> – 313

### Core Teachers Get PLC Time

The English, Social Studies, Science, Math, and Spanish department all took advantage of a PLC (professional learning community day) in the fall. This is a day used for planning, aggregating data, vertically aligning their teaching, adjusting lesson plans, and reflecting on strengths and weaknesses in student learning.

### Abre Insights

Attached you'll see data pulled from our new data program, Abre. We're working to build dashboards that will give us a one-stop shop to quickly see data about our district and campuses. We're working closely with the Abre team to give us insightful dashboards that will give us useful data to fuel intentional decisions and administrative direction.

### It Takes a Pack

On February 1, Wylie High School will host a know your teen event called "It Takes a Pack". This event is for parents of teenagers to give parents a look behind the curtain of a teenager. We have partnered with APD, Betty Hardwick, Serenity House, Noah Project, and local churches to bring awareness to parents. Topics will include social media, human trafficking, mental health awareness, fentanyl and drug awareness, resources available, and the real dangers that are often unknown to parents. There will be door prizes for attendees. This is a free event open to any and all parents of teenagers in the Abilene community.

### UIL Academics

The WHS Academic Team continues to win trophies, scholarships, and medals. Most recently the team showcased their intellectual prowess at the Winter at Tech meet, a virtual competition hosted by Texas Tech University. Wylie once again emerged as the Overall Sweepstakes Champion, defeating 41 other schools. Wylie earned an impressive overall score of 281 points, positioning them ahead of their closest competitor by a remarkable 98 points. In a testament to their academic excellence, Wylie placed first in seven out of the nine events they entered teams, solidifying their status as a dominant force in UIL Academics. Congratulations to the Wylie team for their unwavering dedication, exceptional teamwork, and outstanding success at the Winter at Tech meet! Scholarships to Texas Tech University have been won by Arnav Garlapati, Corbin Ellis, Anthony Tovar, and Annabelle Gertiser. These scholarships range from \$500-\$2,000.

### **TAFE Students to State**

WHS TAFE members competed well at the Area contest on Monday. 17 students advanced to State which will be held in February at Kalahari Resorts in Round Rock, TX. The state-qualifying students are Jenna Thompson, Madelyn Williams, Natalie Cramer, Kaylee Harwick, Reagan Rollings, Angel Heinz, Terra Clemment, Maddi Bearden, Isabella Smith, Josy Fletcher, Kayla St. James, Taylor Wood, Kaylin Dahl, Brooke Richardson, Josh Corrigan, Quinn Griffin, and Payton Lunsford.

### **Wylie Swim**

The Wylie Swim and Dive team coached by Coach Pacheco and Mrs. Schlauch continue to make big waves at their meets. Both boys and girls team won the Abilene Invitational. The district competition will be on January 27 in Lubbock.

### **Caught Being a Bulldog**

There have been several students "Caught Being a Bulldog". This is program that started 4 years ago to encourages students and teachers to exhibit Bulldog-like characteristics. According to the AKC, Bulldogs are kind, courageous, full of tenacity, friendly, and loyal companions. Students and teachers that are nominated are recognized during the announcements and receive a certificate.

### **TMEA All-State**

WHS choir student, Faith Brent placed 3rd chair at the TMEA All-State Choir Pre-Area auditions, qualifying her for the final round of auditions which will take place in early January.

### **Bulldog Christmas Market**

The Purple Dog Company pulled off another great Bulldog Christmas Market event to kick off the Christmas season. The event brought in over \$20,000 in revenue, but the community, personal interactions, and learning surrounding the event is priceless.

### **FFA at State**

Wylie FFA Radio Broadcasting Team placed 4th at the Texas FFA State LDE Contest at Sam Houston State University. The team consisted of Tanner Jones, Macie Woolsey, Cole Killion, and Ag Teacher Mr. Smith!

### **Christmas Activities**

Wylie High students stayed busy during the Christmas season bringing cheer to many. The Jazz Band played at many events. The CNA students made goodie bags for the residents at Windcrest Rehabilitation hospital. MedLife delivered for Meals on Wheels one day. PALS delivered over 1,200 pairs of socks donated by WHS students to Love and Care Ministries. The Show Choir sang Christmas grams around town. Pure Gold Band and Wylie Choirs hosted phenomenal shows demonstrating their talent.

### **Debate to State**

Wylie High School will be represented by Carson Wells and Joshua Corrigan who will be headed to Austin the 2nd week in January for the Congressional Debate State Tournament.

### **Texas College Bridge at Wylie High**

This upcoming semester, WHS will offer the college preparatory course, Texas College Bridge. This is a program offered by the TEA that partners with over 80 post-secondary colleges and universities. Successful completion of this course will deem the student college-ready (CCMR) which demonstrates readiness in English and Mathematics. Being college-ready negates the need for remedial course-work and/or pre-college coursework for students.

### **School-Day SAT**

For the first time, Wylie High will offer a school-day SAT for students who are ready to sit for the SAT. The test will be offered on March 7. Registration will open as soon as students return for the semester.

### **It Takes a Teacher**

Behind every success noted by a student there is a teacher, sponsor, and/or coach. Without the adults of Wylie High willing to spend the extra time and go the extra mile there would be no teams making it to state, delivering cheer to our community, building humans of great character, and giving students a taste of success and/or generosity.

### **Upcoming Events**

Lady Bulldog Basketball – district play (2-0)  
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Lady Bulldog Soccer – district play (January 30)  
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Baseball & Softball begin  
Track begins  
Stock Show season  
Swimming & Diving – district meet (January 27)  
It Takes a Pack – February 1  
ASVAB Test – February 14

### **Wylie Weekly**

Keep up with all the Wylie High School happenings by reading the Wylie Weekly!  
Scan the QR code or click [here](#).

