

Sunray Middle School

Principal's Report

May 2015

- **Band Contests and Concert** – The JH band received all 3's at the UIL competition in Canyon. 6th Grade band received one 1, and two 2's at the Greater Southwest Music Festival at the Civic Center in Amarillo. At the end of the year concert on Tuesday, May 12, all of the bands performed well, exhibiting much improvement and progress for the year. Outstanding band member and outstanding section awards were given out.
- **Cheerleaders for 2015-2016** – Tryouts were held on April 17th and the following young ladies were selected: 7th grade – Margarita Velasco, Kali Flores, Gracelynn Daniel, and Daisy Soto; 8th grade – Yaritza Villarreal, Madalynn Derrick, Makenzie Morton, and Jayci Stokes.
- **The 80's Dance and Coach Keisha** – The fund raising efforts along with the dance raised all but \$400 to pay for the visit from Coach Keisha Howard. The PTO paid the remaining amount. Her visit was a big success with our girls! She made quite an impact on the girls concerning positive self-esteem and showing other girls support and kindness. There are pictures of her and the girls on our Middle School FB page as well as on Instagram. She invited all of the girls to continue to stay connected with her via social media.
- **The Academic Awards Program** – Our awards program was held on Thursday, May 14 in the HS gym. Students were recognized for honor roll and outstanding achievement in their core classes as well as participation in athletics. Students with perfect attendance were recognized, and the top two highest ranking 8th graders were announced.
- **The 2nd Administration of the STAAR Reading Test** – We did administer the second round of the STAAR Reading test on May 12th to the 5th and 8th grade students that did not meet the passing standard on the April test. The Sunray Baptist Church was generous enough to allow us to test there. With all the activities happening at school on that day, it helped tremendously to get the students to a quiet area with no interruptions. Results from the tests are expected to arrive the last week of school. The students required to attend summer school will then be determined.
- **Semester Tests and Summer School** – Semester tests in the core subject areas will be given during the last week of school from May 26-28. Summer classes for middle school students will be held Monday-Thursday beginning on June 2nd and ending on June 23rd.