



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: May 20, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: Superintendent Reports

- A. Campus Enrollment Numbers
- B. District Events
- C. Legislative Update
- D. Make Education a Priority

PRESENTER: Dan Manning

ALIGNS TO BOARD PRIORITY(S): ALL

Report Information:

A. Total Enrollment on May 14th: 4,679

Projections by campus:

- Vandagriff ES: 519
- Coder ES: 491
- Stuard ES: 565
- McCall ES: 511
- McIS: 366
- AMS: 760
- Daniel 9th: 371
- AHS: 1,096 (24 at Aledo Learning Center)

B. District Events/Accomplishments

1. Congratulations to our UIL Academic contest participants who are now participating at the state level. Seven students qualified for individual events and a six student team in "Literary Criticism" who qualified for state competition as well. We will be recognizing these students at the June 17th Board meeting.
2. Congratulations to our Ladycat Softball team. As of May 15, they were still making noise in the state playoffs. If they win Friday, they qualify for the Regional Finals.
3. Congratulations to AHS Wind and Ensemble Band members who played at the Meyerson Center in Dallas recently where they received three division one ratings, won best in class 4A, and won the **Grand Champion Band of the Day Trophy/Award**.
4. Congratulations to Aledo HS State Track Meet athletes **Danielle Trought** who placed Fourth and set a **new school record** in the 100-meter hurdles, Shea Paul Wood who placed Seventh in pole vault, and Ryan Newsome who placed Eighth in the 100-meter dash.
5. **AHS Ranked in Top 5 Percent of Schools in Texas and Nation**
According to *U.S. News & World Report* magazine, Aledo High School is once again ranked in the top 5 percent of schools in Texas and the nation. AHS has garnered a "Silver Medal", up from its "Bronze" ranking last year. The state ranking is 105 out of 1870 schools, based on ACT SAT scores, AP scores, graduation rate and students entering college. Additionally, AHS is ranked 1056 out of 21,000 schools across the nation. U.S. News calculates these values based on student performance on state exit exams and internationally available exams on college-level coursework.

6. Reminder about Graduation programs: Aledo HS graduation will be Wed. June 5th at Daniel Meyer Coliseum and the Aledo Learning Center Graduation will be May 30th at Daniel Ninth Grade Campus Cafeteria.

C. Legislative Update- The 83rd Legislative session has less than a week left. There have been over 900 bills filed regarding public education in this session, most dying in committees. Some key bills regarding education that are passed or likely to pass:

- House Bill (HB) 5, calls for making sweeping changes in testing and graduation requirements for public schools. The bill was amended in the Senate and the House refused to concur with the proposed changes, so the bill will be hammered out in a conference committee.
- Budget Bill- A conference committee has been wrangling over the state budget since late April. Unofficial word is that a deal has been struck to restore about \$3 billion of the \$5.4 billion in public education budget cuts passed last session.
- Senate Bill 2 sponsored by Senate Education Committee Chairman Sen. Dan Patrick (R–Houston) The bill calls for raising the cap on the number of charters the state may issue from 215 to 305 incrementally over the next six years. It would also give the state the authority to close charter schools after three years of poor performance.

D. Make Education a Priority Update-

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FISCAL NOTE: None

Administrative Recommendation: Report Only