

Fine Arts January 2025

Introduction

This report provides a comprehensive overview of the exciting activities and achievements within the Navarro ISD Fine Arts Department.

Music

- **3rd Grade:** Students are embarking on a delightful journey into the world of music with the "Peter and the Wolf" unit. This program introduces them to various instruments and their distinctive sounds in a fun and engaging way.
- 4th & 5th Grade: The sounds of music fill the air as recorder playing is in full swing! 4th graders are enthusiastically beginning their musical exploration, while 5th graders are eager to expand upon their skills developed last year.
- **6th Grade Band:** Beginner band students are diligently working on refining their fundamental skills and expanding their instrumental abilities.
- Junior High & High School Bands: These ensembles are actively preparing for upcoming UIL events, including Concert and Sight-reading contests in March and Solo & Ensemble contests.

Dance

 All Dance Classes: Students are delving into the rich history of dance by researching prominent figures. They are creatively incorporating technology by developing mock Instagram profiles for their chosen dance icons. The excitement continues next week as they embark on a new hip hop unit.

Theatre

- Theatre 1: Students are taking a historical journey, tracing the origins of theatre from its prehistoric
 roots. They began by exploring early forms of dramatic expression and even created their own
 primitive theatre pieces. Currently, they are delving into the profound influence of ancient Greek
 theatre.
- Advanced Theatre: Students are actively preparing for their upcoming student-directed 10-minute plays. Theatre 4 students are taking on the role of directors, guiding and mentoring their Theatre 2 & 3 classmates.
- **Theatre Production:** This class is dedicated to the production of the UIL One Act Play. Students are currently immersed in learning about the unique movement work style of the Frantic Assembly Theatre Company from the UK.

• After-School Activities: Rehearsals for the UIL One Act Play are in full swing, alongside the meticulous integration of all technical elements for a polished and impactful performance.

Achievements

- **Panther Band:** Ten Panther Band members earned the honor of participating in the ATSSB Region 12 All-Region auditions and will perform in an honor band concert in February.
- Junior High Band: Preparing for upcoming Junior High ATSSB All-Region auditions on January
 25th. Students that make the band will be invited to perform in an honor band concert in February.

Elementary Highlights

- **Theatre:** Students at the Intermediate level are developing their acting skills through improvisation activities, fostering quick thinking, stage confidence, and creativity.
- Music:
 - First grade is learning a song called "I Don't Care If The Rain Comes Down" along with a partner dance for their upcoming concert.
 - Kindergarten and 2nd grade students are playing musical games and learning how to draw faces.
- **Visual Arts:** K-2 students are creating treasure maps, incorporating emphasis and directional lines, while also learning about compass roses.
 - 4th Grade: Students are engaged in a captivating project that hones their fine motor skills and explores the concept of symmetry. They are creating unique and intricate snowflake designs using special black reveal paper and wooden sticks.

Conclusion

The Navarro ISD Fine Arts Department is proud of the dedication and creativity demonstrated by our students and faculty. We are excited to see their continued growth and achievements throughout the school year.