

**GRAHAM HIGH SCHOOL
MONTHLY REPORT**

November, 2015

ENROLLMENT/ATTENDANCE:

CAMPUS/PROGRAM	9TH	10TH	11TH	12TH	TOTAL
GHS	182	190	162	153	687
DAEP	0	2	2	2	2
ATTENDANCE %					94.64

INNOVATIONS:

- AE class submitted two App ideas to the Verizon App Challenge. One App is a Livestock Tracker and the second App is "TAAFT" - There's an App for That. Videos of their submissions can be seen at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WarWrtTqTd4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2eeo1uT0kTk>

- CEA class has created a Christmas village in the library using their architectural styles project.
- Molecular Geometry lab using Marshmallows and toothpicks. After successfully making models we roasted them over the Bunsen burners and ate the marshmallows. Nice treat for getting ready for Thanksgiving.
- Financial Mathematics worked on investment portfolios during the month of November. In teams, students acted as financial advisors creating diversified investment portfolios for 3 different clients. Within the portfolios, teams had to analyze the risk for each client and ultimately decide how to allocate their clients' funds. To culminate the project, student teams presented their portfolios to their peers. Through the creation of the portfolios, students studied stocks, bonds, mutual funds, cds, and money market accounts.
- Sports and Entertainment Marketing class recently completed a project comparing the 2014 and 2015 World Series. They presented their projects

to each other and voted on the best presentation. Their presentations had to include at least 5 financial comparisons.

CAMPUS NEWS:

- Graham HS placed in the top 5 of the Samsung Solve for Tomorrow competition out of over 4100 applicants. We have moved on to round two. Thanks to all the teachers/administrators who proofed and helped in round 2.
- GHS Student Council worked with students and teachers to raise money during 5th period classes to provide for Adopt-a-Child christmas gifts. The students raised \$5400 to support 40 Adopt-a-Child recipients.
- AP Government class ran their annual campaigns for US President. In an extremely close race, the "Take Action" party and their candidate, Libby Choate, took it down.
- Golf-- The boys team won the "Chisholm Trail Drive" at Canyon West Golf Course on November 5th. They shot a 329. Coby Bryant won 1st medalist honors with a career low round of 72.
- The Graham FFA CDE Agricultural Issues Forum team placed second at the Area meet and Qualified for the State meet. Team members presented to various community groups including: Graham Chamber of Commerce, Graham ISD Administration, The Graham YouLead Class, United Supermarkets leadership, among others.

STUDENT HONORS:

- Catlin Lewis has been accepted into pre-med program at Baylor University where she plans to study oncology.
- Coby Bryant won 1st medalist honors with a career low round of 72 at Chisolm Trail Drive Golf Tournament at Canyons West.
- Edgar Huerta and Tyler Kaiser were the 1st place team in Texas in round one of the online Knowledge Matters DECA competition.
- The Graham FFA CDE Agricultural Issues Forum team members Nick Moore, Alee Alvidrez, Gus Ramirez, Hiram Fuentes, and Riley Wyatt qualified for the State meet.

FIELD TRIPS:

- TARC team has been busy designing and testing competition rockets at GHS Baseball and Softball fields.

- TSA students will be attending leadership conference in Kerrville, Texas

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

TEACHER/STAFF SPOTLIGHT:

- The Child Development classes, under Cheryl Sides's supervision, have been learning about Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Prenatal Drug Exposure. Students monitored an experiment showing the effects of alcohol on chicken eggs. Results were very enlightening to the students. We have utilized the recently purchased RealBaby FAS/Drug Exposed computerized baby to illustrate the possible side effects of alcohol and drug use on an unborn/newborn child.
- The Human Growth and Development students recently designed and marketed a toy that they made from various items they had around the house. Some of the inventions were quite creative!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- COSI In Depth: Autopsy - videoconference December 7th for Biomedical students and Mrs McBride
- Spanish Club will begin our annual Christmas Community Service next week. Members will bake and ice cookies on Tuesday 12-8. On 12-9 members will Christmas Carol at Horizon Bay and Graham Oaks Nursing homes. We will also distribute handmade Christmas cards and our Christmas cookies.
- We will begin practicing for Special Olympics Basketball when we return in January.
- DECA district competition takes place in January in Wolfforth. Students are currently utilizing flex period to prepare for that competition.

OTHER: