



ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: April 15, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: Superintendent Reports

- A. Campus Enrollment Numbers
- B. District Events
- C. Teacher Appreciation Week, May 6-10
- D. Legislative Update
- D. Make Education a Priority

PRESENTER: Dan Manning

ALIGNS TO BOARD PRIORITY(S): ALL

Report Information:

A. Total Enrollment on April 9th: 4,671

Projections by campus:

- Vandagriff ES: 517
- Coder ES: 489
- Stuard ES: 559
- McCall ES: 513
- McIS: 367
- AMS: 763
- Daniel 9th: 371
- AHS: 1,092 (24 at Aledo Learning Center)

B. District Events/Accomplishments

1. Congratulations to our Aledo MS Band for officially receiving an invitation from the Midwest International Band and Orchestra Clinic to perform at their annual December conference in Chicago! Only one other Texas middle school has been invited (Grisham Middle School in Round Rock ISD). This year's clinic will feature bands from Columbia, Finland, and Japan. This is quite an honor. You may recall in Feb. the Board approved allowing these students to attend if they were invited.
2. Congratulations to our Boys and Girls soccer teams for winning their district championships again this year. Even though they have been eliminated in the playoffs- they had another great season.
3. Baseball and softball teams are currently in first place.
4. Reminder- annual Marva Collins Teacher/Staff awards program will be Monday, May 6th at 7:00 PM at Aledo HS auditorium. AND- May 14th is our annual Employee Recognition Banquet, 6:30 PM at Daniel Ninth Grade Campus.
5. Aledo HS National Honor Society induction program will be April 25th, beginning at 6:30 PM in the AHS auditorium.
6. Congratulations to Joey Paul for winning the Bayard H. Friedman Hero Educator Award. He will be receiving this award on May 17th at the Bass Hall.

C. Teacher Appreciation Week- Reminder that May 6-10 is Teacher Appreciation week. I encourage everyone to show their appreciation for all our teachers and the great work they do with the children of Aledo ISD.

D. Legislative Update- The 83rd Legislative session is rapidly coming to a close and several key bills related to education are still in the works. Some of the highlights are:

- It appears the legislature will be restoring approximately \$2.5 billion of the \$5.4 billion in cuts that were made in the 2011 session through the SB 1 budget bill. The amount may grow even more before they finalize the bill.
- HB 5 which provides restructuring of high school graduation requirements and reduces End of Course tests from 15 to 5 has passed the House. The House also voted overwhelmingly against any voucher or tax credit program that would siphon money away from public schools. There is great opposition to this bill from Gov. Perry's office.
- Senator Robert Duncan has brought forward a bill regarding Teacher Retirement Service (TRS) which could have budget implications for districts across the state. The bill includes requiring districts to pay 1% teacher/librarian/counselors and librarian salaries to the TRS system.

E. Make Education a Priority Update- I participated in the Public Education town hall at Texas Wesleyan University last Saturday, April 6th sponsored by State Senator Wendy Davis. Approximately 100 people were in attendance, all interested in issues related to public ed.

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FISCAL NOTE: None

Administrative Recommendation: Report Only