

Rotary Club Students of the Month

Hi, my name is Hayleigh Arellano and I go to Hillsboro Junior High. I am in the National Junior Honor Society. I like to play sports such as volleyball, softball, track, and cross country. I'm very active in church where we do lots of work for others. I do very well in school, making all A's. One of the things I love to do is bake cakes. I'm very proud to be a Hillsboro Eagle and I'm excited to go to high school next year.



Hi, my name is Ryan Volcik and I'm in the 8th grade at HJHS. I am a straight A student and I am a member of both the National Junior Honor Society and Student Council. I am a Boy Scout, 1st class and the overall leader of the other members. I participated in U.I.L., competing in Spelling and Dictionary Skills. I'm part of the youth group at my church, Central Baptist. This year I played Football, Basketball and ran track. I'm very thankful of the Rotary Club for allowing me to be student of the month; it was an honor.

STAAR

By: Donna Green

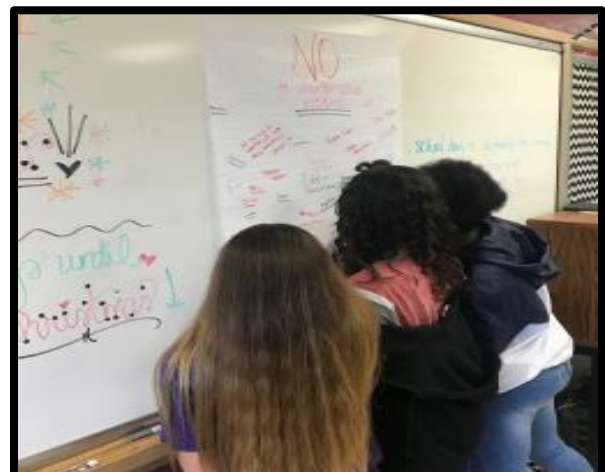
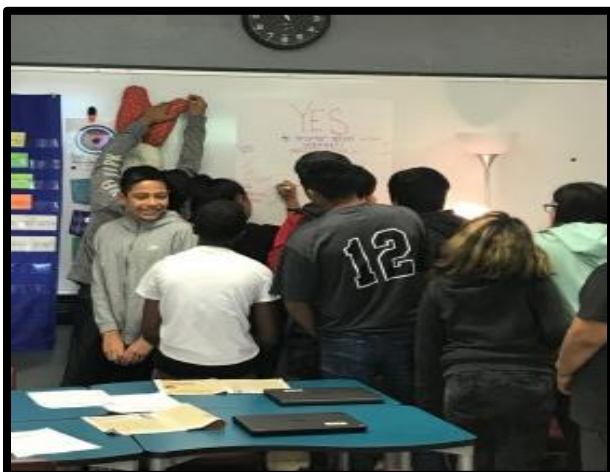
We got off to a great start with our first round of STAAR testing. Our 7th graders completed their Writing and our 8th graders did the Reading and Math. We could see some great effort from our students. We would also like to thank the Elementary campus for our posters with lots of words of encouragement.



ELAR

By: Meagan Vaughn

7th graders are officially ready to persuade you! The power of persuasion has been a hot topic during April in 7th grade reading. Students read several arguments about making the school day and week longer and even polled our entire grade to see which side of the issue they sided with. We discussed proposals and how important researching and dissecting pros and cons of any issue are imperative to creating and initiating change.



MATH



By: Brad Faris

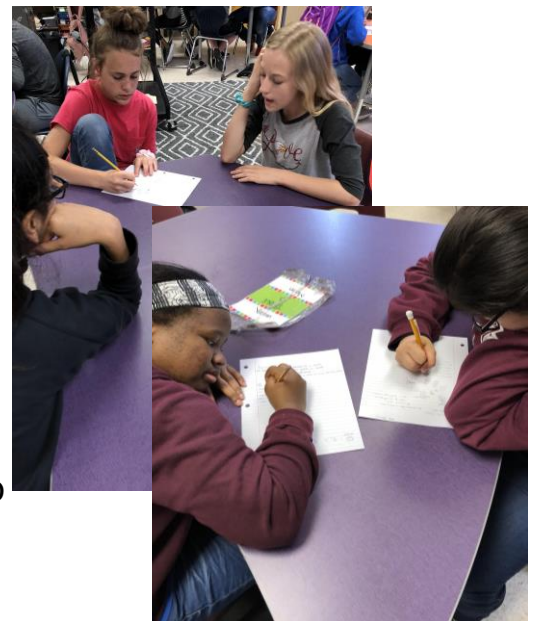
This is a busy month as well as an important month for our 6th grade math students. We are reviewing all of lessons for the year in order to get the kids ready for the STAAR test in May.

Making the information new and exciting is a major focus so we used the program Flocabulary in our assignments. Using music and videos through this program, the students stay involved as well as enjoy laughing and singing along. This is a very interactive program that follows the state standards for all math TEKS and is a great supplement to the everyday assignments and lessons.

Social Studies

By: Megan Allred

7th grade has been studying the Oil Boom, Great Depression, and World War II. We discussed how the discovery of oil impacted the economy and the social and political impact it had it had in Texas. The factors that led to the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl, and how life was during that time really opened the eyes of the students to the struggles of people and their everyday life. I had them create a business with a monthly budget, and they had to come together to figure out how to operate with the “Great Depression” hitting them.



Dictionary Drills

By: Malissa Hawkins and Lindsey Lopez

6th grade is sharpening our skills by competing in speed drills! Dictionary Digs were in full swing this month. Broadening our vocabulary and decreasing the time it takes us to look up unfamiliar vocabulary, is a win-win situation! Students were eager to see what they were on the hunt for in the dictionary, locate it, and be the first one to buzz in and answer. After they started realizing that time management AND interpreting the question correctly are both important, success came quickly!



The HJHS Symphonic Band competed in the UIL Concert/Sightreading Contest which was held at Midway High School in Hewitt on March 26th. The band received on Division Two in Sightreading. This was a tough call since they played the selection perfectly! The panel of judges did not agree on tone quality of the ensemble and stated that this was the reason for not giving them a Superior rating. The did received the highest marks on stage, receiving a First Division rating for the 4th consecutive year under Mr Doyle's leadership!

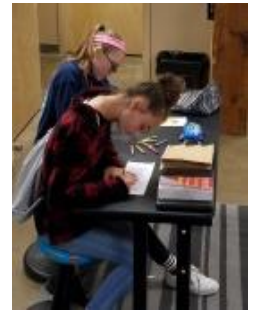
All bands will be performing their Spring Concert on Thursday April 25th at 6:00 pm. We are looking forward to a great night of music!!



Choose Love

By: Malissa Hawkins and Lindsey Lopez

Our 6th grade readers and writers decided to put compassion in action! They thought about how testing days can be and wanted to send some love and encouragement to HIS and HHS. They were so excited to take ownership of their creativity and thoughtfulness in hopes that their friends and family members on those campuses will see them and feel loved!



By: Rick Kleine & Patricia Carmona

Every Friday the Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets at 7:15 to start the day and end the week with an encouraging word. We have had a variety of speakers visit and deliver a positive message to our students. On April 12th we had the opportunity to attend Baylor Baseball & Softball games. We were welcomed in the pregame activities on the diamond with free t-shirts and autographed baseballs. After the games a couple of the players spoke to our groups about their walk with God and the positive impact it has had on their lives. FCA is doing great things on the Junior High campus this year and the best is yet to come. 2 Timothy 2:1

