



9th- 424    10th- 387    11th- 353    12th- 355    Total- 1519

### Athletics

**Swimming** – Swim continues to place at meets across west Texas. The JV Swim team will compete in their district competition this week. The Varsity 4-5A meet will be on January 25 in Lubbock.

**Basketball** – The Lady Bulldog basketball team won the Granbury tournament before Christmas, and now they are in the thick of district play. The Lady Bulldogs are 2-0 in district and will host Abilene High on Tuesday night. The Bulldog basketball team will open district play on Tuesday night against Abilene High.

**Soccer** – Both Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs have entered competition season in soccer. They will begin district play next month.

**Cheerleading** – The WHS Cheerleaders will compete at the UIL State Cheer Competition on Friday! Get a sneak peek of their performance at half time on Tuesday night.

**Tennis** – The Bulldog Tennis team is entering into spring tennis which is individual tennis. WHS will host a tournament at the end of February.

**Softball & Baseball**- Softball began practice last Friday and baseball will begin this Friday. District play will begin in March.

### Fine Arts

**Band**- After a busy marching season, Pure Gold Band quickly transitioned into concert and show season. Pure Gold had 52 students audition for the All-Region Band. Twenty-two students made the band, 11 advanced to Area and 4 students earned 1<sup>st</sup> chair. The band also hosted their own concerts and played a vital role in the fall musical.

**Choir**- Choir had a busy December, as usual, with performance across the community. Students traveled and delivered singing Christmas-grams, performed in the musical, and held a wonderful Christmas concert. Many students participated in Pre-Area auditions and Skyy Johnson advanced to the final round for the All-State Choir this month.

**Theater**- Wylie Theater put us all in the Christmas spirit with their production of White Christmas in December. They are now preparing for the One Act Play competition that will take place in March.

### Academics

**Congress**- Josh Corrigan recently competed at the UIL State Congress Tournament and finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the state! Josh is coached by Lianne McMillan.

**UIL**- The UIL Academics Team delivered an outstanding performance at the Winter at Tech meet in December, emerging as the Overall Sweepstakes Champion with a commanding 144-point lead over their closest competitor. Wylie achieved remarkable success, earning 1st or 2nd place in all 10 team events they entered. We will host the Valentine's Classic on February 8.

**CTE-** Students have been busy going in several different directions. In December CTE students toured TSTC to learn about different career paths and the necessary schooling for each career. Engineering students spent time at WEJH in order to introduce students to of the WHS program , competitions, and potential careers. Students also built towers, flew drones, and played with the VEX robots.

**NextU-** Mr. Smith's Practicum Ag Mechanics class received \$1,750 worth of welding, cutting, and fabrication equipment today from the DCOA's NextU program.

### Other Clubs & Organizations

**FFA-** Wylie hosted it's local stock show a couple of weeks ago. Students did a great job showcasing their animal and are looking forward to shows in the future. Many of our students will be traveling around the state to compete in the major stock shows. This weekend you can find them at the Taylor County Stock Show.

**TAFE-** Students competed at the area contest back in December. WHS will have 18 students travel to Austin for the State TAFE competition in February. TAFE is led by Mrs. Amber Jansa.

**ESL Family Night** – Mrs. Daniel, our ESL Coordinator, has been holding ESL Family Nights periodically in order to create community amongst our ESL families, introduce their cultures to each other, and to share important ESL information with the families.

### School News

**Teacher of the Six Weeks-** There were over 90 nominations from students for their teacher to be named Teacher of the Six Weeks. Dr. LexAnn Hood was dubbed the 3<sup>rd</sup> Six Weeks Teacher of the Six Weeks.

**Students of the Six Weeks-** Teachers continue to recognize students who are standouts in their classroom because of their character, work ethic, integrity, and kindness. Max Thornton and Kennedy Hansen were named the Students of the Six Weeks for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Six Weeks.

**Sock Drive** – WHS held its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sock Drive. Students donated over 500 pairs of socks that were donated to City Light Ministries for our local homeless community.

**SEL Friday in January-** Each month WHS will have an SEL Friday named "In Your Feels Friday". This month we are focusing on distracted driving. On Friday, January 31 students will be view a message from TXDot as well as the Blessing family who lost a daughter due to a drunk driver. With the help of the Purple Dog Company, APD, and TXDot a comprehensive message will be shared with our students.

**Teachers Teaching Teachers** – This semester WHS teachers will have the opportunity to learn from each other in an intentional and meaningful way. Teachers are signing up to be a part of "3T- Teachers Teaching Teachers". We have some of the best, so why not learn from the best.

**Raise Your Hand Texas** – Amy Dodson from Raise Your Hand Texas recently spoke to the teachers of WHS. She shared with teachers inciteful information about the upcoming legislative session, how they can get involved, and how to stay in tune to legislation that impacts our schools.

### Upcoming Events

Boys & Girls Basketball – January 14

UIL State Cheer – January 17-18

District Swim – January 25

Project Graduation Winter Formal – February 1

ASVAB – February 5

Regional Swim – February 7-8

Valentine's Classic – February 8

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