

# AMS Board Communications

February 2014

## UIL Academic District Champions

2nd Year in a Row

### Basketball

District Tournament was held in Anna this month for our A teams. 7th Grade girls won 1st place and the boys won 2nd. 8th Grade girls won 3rd place and the boys won 1st.

### 8th Grade

#### Mrs. Howard's Science Class

In Mrs. Howard's class they are completing a unit on climatic interaction and starting a unit on Earth's Cycles.

#### Mrs. Gilbreath's Ag Class

The 8th Grade Ag class is finishing up their Swine unit and will be starting on the Beef and Dairy unit. This will include taste testing of different hamburger types and making their famous ice cream.

#### Dating Violence Awareness

February 18th & 19th during CTT Denton County Friends of the Family will present a three part curriculum. This will help the students to be aware of the signs of dating violence and how to get help or help a friend. This presentation also focuses on having positive relationships including friendships and dating. The goal is for students to make good choices in how they treat one another.

### 7th Grade

Mrs. Gilbreath's Careers Class just finished up their unit all about MONEY! They will be starting to look for those fabulous colleges and learn how to find all that scholarship money that is out there for them.

### 6th Grade

ELAR classes are working on simple and complex sentences, subject-verb agreements. In Reading they are focusing on short stories, essay responses, reading strategies and academic vocabulary.

Advanced ELAR classes are studying a class novel The City of Ember, which incorporates many TEKS as well as critical thinking, writing responses, discussions. They will begin class projects at the end of the study which include power points, skits, various models which relate to the scenes, detailed drawing and maps.

### FFA

This is National FFA Week! Students have been busy in FT Worth and San Antonio this month. For the first time ever they were able send several public speakers to contest. 8th grader Corinne Griffin made finals and placed 8th in San Antonio. At the end of the month they will be going to Houston and Austin.