

Fine Arts March 2025

Good evening, members of the Navarro ISD School Board. I am pleased to present the Fine Arts Department report for March 2025, highlighting the diverse and enriching activities our students have been engaged in.

Visual Arts:

- Elementary Art:
 - Our K-2 students have explored watercolor techniques, creating heart artwork with patterns and emphasis.
 - Fourth-grade students completed an oil pastel project inspired by "Life is like a Box of Chocolates," focusing on the elements of art.
 - Currently, Navarro Elementary art classes are merging artistic expression with mathematical concepts by creating Minecraft-style portraits using grids, emphasizing measurement and symmetry.
 - 5th grade students are creating abstract art on foil using sharpies.
- High School Art:
 - We are thrilled to announce that eight high school art students earned a rating of 4 at the Regional Visual Arts Scholastic Event.
 - Margaret Ann Kotzur and Kayley Thomas have advanced to the state level of competition, a remarkable achievement.

Music:

- Elementary Music:
 - All elementary music classes have implemented a new warm-up, "Walk n' Stop," to enhance spatial awareness.
 - Kindergarten students are finalizing "Follow the Recipe" and exploring the woodwind family.
 - First-grade students are learning the folk song "Dancer in the Moonlight" and enjoying the game "Charlie over the Ocean."
 - Second-grade students are continuing instruction on xylophones, learning "Hot Cross Buns," and playing "Grizzly Bear."
 - All elementary music classes are implementing a new warm-up activity, "Walk n' Stop," designed to enhance spatial awareness and promote proper classroom movement procedures.



- Junior High Band:
 - All three junior high bands (Purple, Gold, and Honor) presented a pre-UIL concert, received valuable feedback.
 - The bands performed their UIL evaluations at Cuero High School on March 4th and 5th.
 - The Honor Band received a clinic from Dr. Brett Richardson of Texas Lutheran University on Feb 20.
 - Auditions are underway for next year's bands and part assignments.
 - 5th grade students are being fitted for instruments for next year's 6th grade band.
- High School Band:
 - The High School Band is rigorously preparing for UIL evaluations at Seguin High School on March 31st and April 1st.
 - The band has benefited from clinics with Stan Mauldin, Dr. Brett Richardson and recently Jim Van Zandt.
 - In Feb music staff attended the TMEA convention for professional development.

Theatre:

- High School Theatre:
 - Theatre 1 students are analyzing "A Midsummer Night's Dream."
 - Advanced Theatre students are working on student-directed scenes.
 - Theatre Production is preparing for the UIL One-Act Play (OAP) District competition on March 3rd and 4th.
 - The UIL One Act Play company performed their play at the Wimberley Festival.
 - Zoe "Clyde" Alexius was awarded Honorable Mention All-Star Cast.
 - Gael Cortez was awarded All-Star Cast.
 - JD Perez was awarded Best Performer.

Dance:

- Dazzlers:
 - The Dazzlers had several members compete in solo and ensemble at Jordan High School with Crowd Pleasers Dance.
 - Platinum Award Winners: Kaylee Henley and Taelyn Cairo's Duet, Taelyn Cairo's Solo, Jocelyn Villanueva's Solo, Brooke Brown's Solo.
 - High Platinum Award Winner: Mya Robertson's Solo.
 - The Dazzlers are preparing for the competition on Saturday, March 1st at Fredericksburg High School with Danceline.
 - Dance classes are wrapping up a hip hop unit with an end-of-unit dance test.



Conclusion:

The Fine Arts Department continues to provide our students with diverse and enriching opportunities for artistic expression and growth. We are proud of their achievements and dedication. Thank you for your continued support.

