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Campus Construction Progress Jim Ned

Elementary Campus Renovations Continue To Move Forward

Bobby Easterling
JNCISD Superintendent

If you have not seen either elementary campus in a while, you need to drive by each of them. At Lawn, walls are going up, safe rooms are nearing completion and roofs are about to be installed. The new east wing is going up with the interior walls being installed and the addition to the north wing is almost in the dry. It is amazing how different it looks! This is the phase that one can really see progress being made.

At Buffalo Gap, most teachers moved in to the new wings over spring break. Pre-K and kindergarten are still in portables. The building looks great and the teachers and students are very excited. It has been a challenge after school while parents and buses are picking up students, but the process is improving daily. Teachers and students are getting in their steps as they travel from their classrooms to the cafeteria, library and media room. Demolition of the main part of the building is in full process and workers are about to start framing the new interior of the main front part of the building.



Bobby Easterling

Top: Exterior construction of safe rooms at Lawn Elementary. Bottom: Interior hallways completed at Buffalo Gap Elementary.

As I said last month, I am very proud of all employees at both elementary campuses in how they have dealt with all the construction. I appreciate their profession-

alism and patience through the noise and adjustments as they carry on with the education and support for their students. I would also like to say thanks to all parents

with their patience and understanding. Once again, everyone involved proves how great it is to be a Jim Ned Indian!

Campuses Need Your Input To Improve

David Hogan
JNHS Principal

Recently, Texas has created a new tool for schools to evaluate and improve in areas that aren't typically addressed by state accountability. We receive annual feedback from the state on things such as student testing, attendance rates, and graduation rates. However, we also need to take a look at a few other very important areas.

The tool developed by the state helps districts evaluate the following areas: fine arts, wellness and physical education, community and parental involvement, 21st-century workforce development programs, second language acquisition programs, digital learning environment, dropout prevention strategies, educational programs for gifted and talented students, and compliance with statutory reporting requirements.

How can you help? Before the campuses evaluate themselves, the state has given the district's community the task of selecting the criteria that will be used. In other words, you tell us which areas the community feels are the most important that we review and then we evaluate our performance in those areas.

You can take part by either visiting <https://t.co/zAJSgyEV2T> or picking up a hardcopy survey in the office of any Jim Ned campus.

Thanks for your help. We appreciate your time.

The Miracle Worker

JNHS One Act Play Represents Well in UIL Competition

David Hogan
JNHS Principal



David Hogan


Jim Ned One Act Play comes together to advance to regional competition at Clyde on April 22nd.

If you have had the chance to watch our One Act Play students perform 'The Miracle Worker', then you already know just how talented these students are. Under the direction of Mrs. Brandee Hart, the actors and crew have continued to polish their performance through multiple practices each week since January. The group's first success was

at Ballinger High School, where they advanced to bi-district competition. They followed up by traveling to Angelo State University on two separate weekends to participate in bi-district and area competitions. As expected, they advanced to regional competition which will be held at Clyde High School on April 22nd at approximately

2:30PM. If you have the opportunity to attend, I can guarantee that it will be time well-spent.

Similar to several other groups on campus, these students and their director are putting in an enormous amount of practice and the product is very impressive!

Question	<p style="text-align: center;">Mike Daggs</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Randy Doan</p> 
What is your occupation?	Self- Employed Corporate Speaker/Consultant	Retired from Abilene Fire Department(27 years) I now teach fire service classes with the Cisco College Fire Academy.
How many years have you lived in the district?	3 1/2 years	37 years
Do you have children currently enrolled in, or that have previously graduated from, the district?	Yes. Lucas is in 7th grade at JN Middle School and Lauren is in Kindergarten at Buffalo Gap Elementary.	Yes. I have had 2 children graduate from Jim Ned, a son, Ryan, and a daughter, Rachelle, who is now a kindergarten teacher at the Lawn campus. I have also had 3 grandchildren attend Jim Ned. Dakota is currently doing her student teaching in Spanish at Abilene High School. Kaylee is a senior and will graduate in May.
If you're an incumbent, how many years have you served on the Board of Trustees (list offices held)?	N/A	I have served on the board 3 different times. One term was for a total of 15 years. A second term was for 3 years. I was asked to fill a unexpired term 1 1/2 years ago. I have served a total of 19 1/2 years. I was board president for 6 years during my tenure.
Briefly describe any education, employment, or life experiences that have prepared you to serve as a board member.	I earned a Bachelor of Behavioral Science in 1996 and a Master of Education in 2000 from Hardin-Simmons University. Previously employed 9 years at Hendrick Medical Center, I worked in various capacities including New Employee Orientation, Employee Engagement, Conflict Management and helped lead Hendrick Health System to receive the Gallup Outstanding Workplace Award in 2006. Since 2006, I have been a self-employed small business owner of Tutt and Daggs helping other businesses and schools to achieve excellence in the workplace. Currently, I lead and speak at events and retreats for school superintendents, principals and teachers across the nation. I served on the Hardin-Simmons University Academic Board of Development from 2007-2016.	In my previous employment with the Abilene Fire Department, I was a supervisor of several members of the department. I was responsible for preparing yearly budgets for my division and accounting for all monies spent. In my 19 1/2 years on the board, I have continually obtained credits in continuing education for all aspects of the duties of a board member.
Do you serve in any other capacities in our community that aren't related to the district?	I am a member and Deacon at Pioneer Drive Baptist Church where I have served on the Personnel Committee and as a Sunday School teacher and now am actively involved in leading men's ministry. Currently, I serve on the Jim Ned Young Life Steering Committee, the Jim Ned Little League as a board member and coach.	Yes. I have been the music minister at Lawn Baptist Church for over 34 years. I am also a deacon with the church, having served as deacon chairman.
In your opinion, what is the district's greatest strength?	The teachers and staff, in our district are our greatest strength. They dedicate their time and knowledge and pour themselves into mentoring and teaching our children. I believe they deserve our strongest support.	Our district is one with varied successes in several things. I am very proud of all of our students and teachers. We have been successful in all areas of sports, having won state in several of them. What I am most proud of is our students successes in academics. We have been to state in several areas of studies, and our UIL successes are second to none. It is because of the dedication of our teachers and their willingness to go the extra mile that has resulted in that success.
In your opinion, what is the single, most pressing issue that the district is currently facing?	Equipping our students to be successful in the ever-changing workforce of the future is our biggest challenge. We need to meet their educational and training needs now to prepare them for their future and for life.	We have seen steady growth in student population throughout the district. We must constantly stay aware of the needs for classroom space and make adjustments beforehand. We must also stay abreast of trends in technology and how to best use it in the classroom.
In a single sentence, state why you deserve a community member's vote?	As a board member, I will dedicate myself to providing a culture of excellence for all Jim Ned CISD employees and an environment of learning that prepares our students for the future.	I have been a Jim Ned taxpayer who has been willing to serve the district as a board member in making sure all other taxpayer's money is spent wisely.

Jim Ned CISD Board Of Trustees Election

Get Out And Vote!

This year, three seats are open on the Jim Ned CISD Board of Trustees. Incumbent candidates include: Randy Doan, Matt Higgins, and Glen Sansom. Challengers are: Mike Daggs



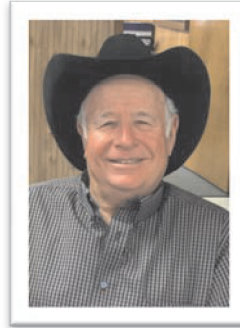
and Ryan Duncan. Each candidate was willing to complete a short questionnaire in order to help community members make an informed decision when casting their votes. The candidates' responses are shown in the table above.

The Taylor County Joint City and School Elections will be held on May 7th, 2016.

Registered voters may vote at any of the main or branch locations in Taylor County. Local options include: Jim Ned CISD Administration Building,

Tuscola City Hall, Buffalo Gap City Hall, View Baptist Church, and several other local churches.

Early voting opens on April 25th and runs through May 3rd.

<p style="text-align: center;">Ryan Duncan</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Matt Higgins</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Glen Sansom</p> 
Anytime Fitness/Business Owner	Certified Public Accountant (CPA)	Rancher
8 years	9 years	50 years
Yes. Rylan Duncan-9th grade, Reid Duncan-7th grade, Randy Duncan-5th grade	I have two children that attend JNCISD, an 8th grader and a sophomore.	One son, graduated 2014
No.	This is my 4th year to serve on the Board. I have served as President and currently serve as Secretary.	Six years
I started in the fitness industry at the age of 21. I have 23 years of experience of working with large companies, such as 24 Hour Fitness where I managed over 100 employees. In the last 8 years I have been the owner of Anytime Fitness. I have handled the day-to-day financials for my business and have interacted with individuals from employees to customers at all age levels. Interacting with members of my gym, managing my employees and making tough business decisions has prepared me for the opportunity to serve on the school board.	I am a partner at CPA firm in Abilene, which along with my education, serve as a good base for helping with financial decisions for the district. More importantly, my daily interactions with people, clients and staff alike, have allowed me the opportunity to listen to concerns and find ways to help provide solutions to problems. I also serve as a deacon, Sunday School teacher, and chairman of the Foundation Committee at our church.	Graduated JN 1970, graduated Tarleton University 1974 with Bachelor in Agriculture. Currently Self employed Rancher since 1975 and owner of Cross Timbers Bit Company since 1987. Being a business owner has given me insight in management, finances and long term vision that is beneficial to our district.
I have coached youth sports for both girls and boys for 8 years. My wife and I have been involved in Disciple Now and Vacation Bible School and have hosted both of these organizations and individuals at our home.	I serve on the board of Jim Ned Little League as well as coaching the Junior team, and also started the youth basketball program for 5th and 6th graders. My wife and I are active members of the Jim Ned Athletic Booster Club.	Taylor County Livestock Association Board, Lawn Baptist Church
The number one and most important strength in our school district is that I feel that God is actively working in our school district. For example, students having the opportunity to participate in both Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Young Life help the students build and strengthen their relationship with God through Jesus Christ. The fellowship that these young people get to participate in helps them improve as people and as Christians. This is why I think Jim Ned CISD is a very special place.	The quality education students receive is by far the greatest strength of our district.	Excellent employees, supportive community and small school atmosphere.
The single most pressing issue that I feel that our district has is that we need to prepare for the growth that I feel that this district is moving towards. In order to accommodate this growth, I feel that we must be able to upgrade our facilities and be able to provide proper maintenance on them to ensure that we have top-notch facilities for our students for years to come.	In light of our ever-changing world, we should provide all students with the tools to pursue post-secondary education or a technical trade to become productive adults.	Providing Jim Ned students all the tools they need to succeed in life, whether it be a college education or going directly into the workforce when they leave Jim Ned. I am excited about the progress we are making in our CATE program which will enable students to have more choices in their career paths.
I am excited to bring my passion and experience in working with other individuals to be able to provide growth and opportunity for the students' experiences and education in the Jim Ned School District.	My heart lies with ensuring that our children have the opportunity to receive the best educational experience possible in the safest environment we can provide.	Over the last six years I have kept our students well being my number one priority while respecting and managing our communities tax payer dollars responsibly.

A Word From The Board (continued from page 4)

Trey Guffey, JNCISD Trustee

Our accelerated expectations are being coupled with highest of standards in instruction. This can only be achieved in concert with facilitating our teachers with the tools necessary to meet new academic demands. We expect excellence in all capacities, whether it is welding a perfect bead, detecting an electrical circuit overload in shop class, solving a complex chemical equation, or solving for "X" all

before entering intermediate levels of schooling. That folks, is the progress we expect and have implemented. With the guidance of outstanding teachers, our student's UIL performance has once again lifted up our school as a premier 3A school. Our UIL teachers, mentors, and coaches are exceptional and an asset to this community. Here at Jim Ned, our competition should know our students are coming at you using the full alphabet in their mathematics. Our sports programs have enjoyed an exponen-

tial increase in expectation in a very short amount of time. Performance has been manifested secondary to inspirational leadership and the commitment of our student athletes. This inspiration comes from the top with an accomplished athletic director who has set his sights on success in the classroom as well as the field as evidenced by his reward sticker system. These stickers represent academic success and not simply athletic prowess and are displayed proudly, by our student athletes, on their football helmets. Our coaching staff has worked

tirelessly and in concert with our academic teachers to bring out the best synergistic outcome. Ask any student athlete in regard to how acceptable standards have been raised and met, only to be raised again. You guessed it, we will continue to expect more. This is a community like no other, and a school like no other. We want this reputation and have strived to acquire this status. You were here when the best phase began. WE ARE JIM NED!

JNCISD Board of Trustees

A Word From The Board

Trey Guffey, JNCISD Board Trustee

I have the privilege of serving as the fourth generation of School Board administrators in my family that spans over the last 110 years in the Jim Ned Valley. My predecessors began in the small country schools that began in this valley over a century ago. It is an absolute honor to serve in this rewarding role.

I am thrilled to be a part of this community while observing and participating in the progress that has taken place over the last couple of years in the Jim Ned community. This has coincided with sound and thoughtful advice from all levels within the Jim Ned school district and executed by a committed and mindful school board. Our district has elected a school board that has, without exception, a vast experience for practically applying governance for this school district in addition to having, in many individual cases,

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Trey Guffey

witnessed accelerated progress in last few years while gaining traction for the betterment of this community through education excellence. This community should be proud knowing our final product is a capable, exceptionally educated, and confident student. We have been able to capitalize on our efforts by seeking advice from all levels of employees in our school district. This advice has been an integral part in the decisions and financial considerations of the board. We are witnessing the growth and renewal of our facilities as well as the stellar performance and accomplishments in all aspects of academia and extracurricular activities. With careful consideration and having worked diligently with our skilled business manager, our teachers have recently been granted a much deserved and long overdue raise in their pay scale by the board. We will now become the most competitive small school in attracting the best educators going forward as well as rewarding the hard working employees we currently have on staff. Our teachers and para-professionals have also seen policies implemented that reinforce their ability to command the respect of the students they are tasked with overseeing. When considering our coaching staff's "Breakfast club" or the newly implemented board policy of "3 strikes your out" in regard to our bus transportation privilege, discipline issues

long historical family relationships in this community. This community's bloodlines run deep and so does our commitment. I have personally benefitted from hearing the wisdom that emanates from our board members. These men consist of successful and seasoned business owners that encompass a combined knowledge in a variety of fields and have shown an ability to capably apply their experience acquired in the business world and translate that insight to drive success for this school district. With this, we have

have dramatically been reduced. This board is fully committed to supporting our staff. This is the best time to be at Jim Ned as an educator. Our goal as administrators is to provide a favorable environment for our staff to perform to their full potential. Teachers and Para-Professionals, you have been heard!

Our facilities have begun to reveal the scope of our construction and renovation efforts. Meanwhile, the board has continued to ensure and insist upon sound fiscal oversight of our budget as well as controlling the impact of construction costs. Financial estimates continue to be in line with initial calculations while our lower than expected tax rates have been warmly received due to favorable interest rates on bond sales for the construction projects.

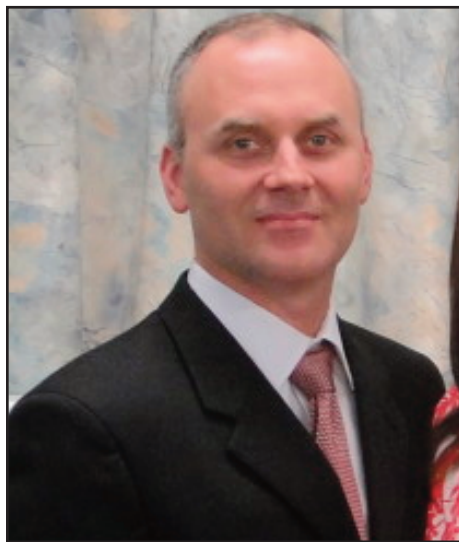
Have you noticed our bus fleet? It has been updated with newer buses and now has a systematic replace-

ment schedule as does many of our other vehicles that should add efficiencies, reduce long term costs, and allow for better planning in regard to our yearly budget - another example of fiscal prudence on behalf of this current school board. Tax payers, you have been heard!

Immediate and long-term projections in growth are currently being considered, not only in facilities, but in curriculum as well. We are currently adopting a flexible plan for goals in construction to accommodate any foreseeable growth in census as well as ever changing academic demands. With our current facilities and projected improvements, we now feel confident in our new Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM) labs and Career and Technology programs will propel our students into a more demanding program to compete in a world market. Our plans will have the capacity to change with a changing world. All of our current board members understand the urgency to implement these programs, evidenced by the calling of a special board meeting later in April. I am thankful for the cohesive school board that we have in place that has accepted this undertaking and for our High School Principal who has been tasked with providing the board with a road map for producing a top tier student ready for the next stage.

That traction will now begin to take hold in earlier grade levels since demand will be increased on our middle school and high school students over the next few years as plans are implemented. We are committed to a STEM program at the lower grade levels. Our elementary principals and teachers have accepted the challenge. (cont'd p.3)

Trey Guffey, JNCISD Trustee



Super Star Team (93 and above)

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Cortland Baum	Paige Abercrombie	Halle Cooley	Josh Buske
Dyllan Bryant	Torey Bradshaw	Drew Harrell	Sammantha Collins
Rylan Duncan	Jolie Branch	McKenna Harrell	Reese Cook
Madison Fussell	Elizabeth Bryan	Megan Leissner	Owen Crawford
Brandon Gassiot	Sydney Burton	Karson Tutt	Aspen Eaton
Malone Graham	Adelia Cash		Samantha Hale
Marcy Isbell	Hadley Clearman		Savannah Heath
Lanham Manahan	Keely Eshelman		Seth Irby
Adam Pyenta	Carol-Ann Green		Ronald Landis Jr.
Ethan Senne	Caleb Kelso		Hunter McCorkle
Eliesabeth Smith	Troy Long		Landin Meyer
Elizabeth Tutt	Greyson McGlothlin		Zachary Nadeau
	Hudson Payne		
	Rhett Payne		
	Kelsey Riddle		
	Kellen Rowe		
	Gavin Thompson		
	Bailey Wheeler		

All Star Team (90 and above)

9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Lily Davis	Kevie Enloe	Rylee Crawford	Carleigh Cusson
Daniel Evans	Peyton Febus	Colton Harris	Will Doty
Dylan Fox	Morgan Hunt	Latham Hartness	Lacey Gosney
Tyler Heath	Abigail Ordonio	Harper Haught	Samantha Hernandez
Grant Leverett	Emily Scott	Ashlyn Schulle	Keith Nall
Nicholas McClure	Kristen Wheeler	Chandler Smith	Jacquelyn Ordonio
Brady Montgomery			Miranda White
Ales Rosales			

Students Enjoy Hands On Lab Experiences



Group work in a hands-on environment promotes learning.

Amber Prentice
Buffalo Gap
5th Grade Teacher



Students use microscopes to identify and gather data.



Students learn about predator-prey relationship.



Every year, our Buffalo Gap fifth graders enjoy some hands on learning through Science labs. The favorite lab of the year is the owl pellet dissection. Students began the day reading Owl vs. Mouse, a non-fiction book on predators and prey, to learn more about how the barn owl obtains its daily meals. After our reading, students began the lab prep by gathering and organizing materials. The Scientific Method is utilized as a means for forming hypotheses, gathering data, and analyzing results. The dissection portion appears to be the most loved section of science every year!

After cleaning up, we continued our study through an owl coordinate graphing activity and lab reflection paper. Tommy Ross and Joe Quick also came by to explain the environmental work that Turner Biological conducts in regard to other native birds in our area. We thank these gentlemen for taking time out of their busy day to encourage our youth in the continued learning of science. The following day, we followed up with our microscope lab. Students had the opportunity to observe numerous specimen including parts of the owl pellet that they dissected the day before. This up close viewing opportunity brings another approach to the lab. Our students are amazing scientists! If you have a chance, ask a fifth grader about their experience. They love to share!

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Austin Art Show Awards

JNHS Artists Making Us Proud

Jan Pearce
JNHS Art Teacher

US-183S to Austin's Bob Bullock State History Museum is an easy drive, but considerably more enjoyable this time of year with the breathtaking bluebonnets painting a perfect path to the 2016 Austin Stock Show/Rodeo Art Auction.

Jim Ned High School's continued success at the Austin event afforded three students the opportunity to auction their winning works of art, further building on college funds. Winning the show's top honor, Grand Champion (traditional), was junior Halle Cooley who received \$6000.00 for her mixed-media drawing, "Granddad". Halle's art was indeed a portrait of her granddad, Richard Cooley, which gave the piece a true sense of passion and purpose. Jurors stated that the artwork



Jan Pearce

(L-R) Bailey Johns, Bailey Wheeler and Halle Cooley represent JNHS at the Austin Stock Show/Rodeo Art Competition.

was a "stand out", making the selection of Grand Champion quick, as well as unanimous, among the five jurors. "I just like making art." said Halle. "It makes me happy!"

Also placing in the traditional category, taking 5th Place among 300 entries, was senior Bailey Johns. Bailey's sensitive and beautiful colored pencil por-

trait, "Ace High Compadre", was expertly executed over a two-month period. Her piece was purchased for \$1700.00 by an Austin bidder, who raved that the portrait was movingly reminiscent of her own beloved horse from childhood. Bailey commented, "This experience has been the highlight of my life and I can't imagine having a bet-

ter buyer."

In the photography category sophomore Bailey Wheeler was awarded \$1900.00 for her 3rd Place win. A tried-and-true Texas photo, "Aged to Perfection", Bailey captured the essence of country life with clarity and with what some would call, a good eye. Ambassador's Group of Austin purchased the

iconic photo. "I'm really excited to start getting college scholarships as a sophomore." said Bailey.

Kudos to these young talents. And hats off to all the folks in Austin who so graciously host this spectacular event, donating their time and monetary support to youth in the arts.

Lawn Elementary Update

Spring Is In Swing At Our Lawn Campus

Chris Holson
Lawn Elementary Principal

As we enter the last six-weeks of the year there is still a lot of activity at Lawn Elementary. The construction is in full swing and we can now see the framework of all of the new classrooms.

As always, many activities are planned as May draws near. 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders all still have STAAR tests to take on May 9th, 10th, and 11th and students and staff are preparing for those. The March STAAR tests went smoothly and the

students performed with great attitudes.

Kindergarten Roundup is April 29th. If you have or know of a student who will begin Kindergarten next year please call the office at 583-2256. The elementary track meet is Wednesday, May 18th. One calendar change to be aware of is the bad weather day originally on Monday, May 16th has been moved to Friday, May 20th. Kindergarten graduation will be May 24th at

noon and the awards assembly is that afternoon at 6:00.

Teacher Appreciation Day is May 2nd. We are blessed to have such amazing teachers, when you get the chance please let them know how much you appreciate what they do.

I know the spring is a hectic time for all families, but I hope that we all can take some time to enjoy some important family time. It's great to be a Jim Ned Indian.

Jim Ned FFA Continues Spring Success

Marshall Eaton
JNHS Ag Teacher

Jim Ned FFA students and teachers have been covering many miles during the spring season. Here are some of our most recent results.

Sweetwater: Poultry Team 7th, Ben Lantrip 6th; Wool Team 1st, Aspen Eaton 2nd, Katie Willis 6th, Ashely Byrom 14th.

West Texas A&M at Canyon: Horse Team 4th; Wool Team 3rd, Ben Lantrip 3rd, Aspen Eaton

and Katie Willis 10th.

Clarendon College: Poultry Team 5th, Adelia Cash 4th, Ben Lantrip 5th; Wool Team 2nd and 7th, Katie Willis 4th, Aspen Eaton 5th, Kasey Rives 12th.

The Wool Team qualified

for state competition by winning their area contest last Friday. Individual honors go to Aspen Eaton 1st, Katie Willis 3rd, Ben Lantrip 4th, Kasey Rives, 5th, Talyn Eaton 9th, and Ashley Byrom 15th. The team also placed 3rd in the

Angelo State contest, where Aspen Eaton was 3rd high individual.

At Texas Tech, the Wool Team continued their winning by placing 4th as a team. Katie Willis was the 4th high individual and received a scholarship.

Kindergarten
ROUNDUP



Friday, April 29th, is Kindergarten Roundup at Lawn and Buffalo Gap Elementary campuses. Please call the campus office if you have a child that will be 5 years old on or before September 1st, 2016. Campus offices can be reached at: Lawn Elementary 325-583-2256, Buffalo Gap Elementary 325-572-3533. If you aren't certain which campus your child will attend, please call the administration office in Tuscola at 325-554-7500.

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JNCISD

Don't forget! Kindergarten Roundup is quickly approaching. We look forward to seeing you there.

Academic UIL District Meet

Connor Akins, Colton Harris
JNHS Journalism Students

The District UIL meet for Jim Ned competitors was a great success. Students competed in 16 events and claimed 2nd place overall.

Mathematics and Calculator coached by Debbie Cook both placed first as teams, but Mrs. Cook points out that it won't be easy as they move on to the Regional meet.

"We have been working really hard, but to make it out of Regionals, we have to keep increasing our scores," Cook said.

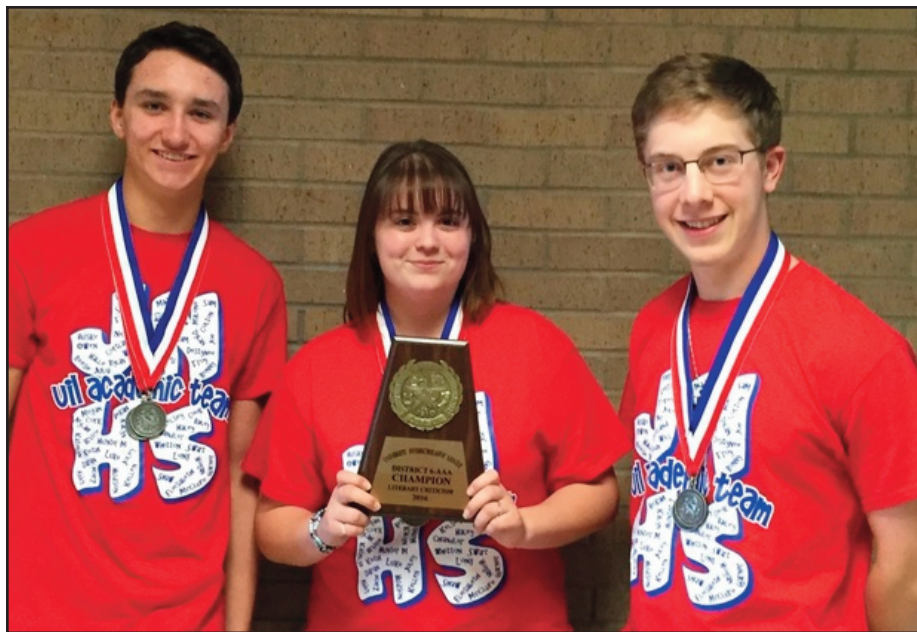
Senior competitor and last year's state champion in Social Studies Josh Buske placed first in that event and qualified for Regional in Current Issues and Events as well. He is relieved to have district behind him.

"It was a long, hard fight, but in the end, I came out on top," Buske said.

Coaching an inexperienced team of journalists, Julie Garner has one student advancing to the regional contest.

"I was very pleased to have a student place in every journalism event. I'm also very excited to have junior Chandler Smith advancing to Regional in Editorial Writing," Garner said. "It is the best we have done since I began coaching the team. I'm proud of all my students. They worked hard this year."

UIL Director and coach Kay Whitton is happy with her Accounting team's performance. They managed to claim the top four spots in the rigorous competition.



Jim Ned High School

Jim Ned academic UIL advances 24 competitors to regional competition, including the Literary Criticism team. (Darian Pate not shown)

"Sweeping district is exciting. It is one step toward our goal of getting to state," Whitton said.

In all, twenty-four students will compete in twelve different events at the Regional Meet to be held Saturday, April 23rd in Abilene on the ACU campus.

"Every group has the potential to advance to State and that's where the real excitement is,"

Whitton said. "Having a medal draped around your neck is a thrill."

The students and coaches mentioned in this article are just a portion of the JNHS competitors that placed and represented our school so well. For a complete list of competitors and placings, visit the Jim Ned High School website or our Facebook page.

Counselor's Corner

Carla Cooley
JNHS Counselor

High School Scheduling Dates: April 12th (9th grade), April 13th (10th grade), April 14th (11th grade), April 18th (8th grade orientation in the high school cafeteria at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.)

High School Testing Dates: May 2nd - Algebra I EOC and US History EOC
May 3rd - Biology EOC

May 3rd, 12:00 p.m. - AP Physics 1
May 4th, 8:00 a.m. - AP English Literature and Composition, 12:00 p.m. - AP Physics 2

May 5th, 8:00 a.m. - AP Calculus AB
May 9th, 8:00 a.m. - AP Biology, 12:00 p.m. - AP Physics C: Mechanics

May 11th, 8:00 a.m. - AP English Language and Composition

The final SAT test for the 2015-2016 school year is June 4th, registration deadline, May 5th.

The final ACT test for the 2015-2016 school year is June 11th, registration deadline, May 6th.

Seniors, continue to check Mrs. Cooley's scholarship page for applications and deadlines.

Spring Tennis Update

Jerod Womack
JNCISD Athletic Director

Our athletes have been busy this spring! In the May issue of The Jim Ned Standard, we'll have a complete review of all of their accomplishments.

This month, I wanted to shine the spotlight on our tennis players. The tennis team competed in their district meet last week in San Angelo. Both teams finished as the district runner up. Reese Cook and Kelsey

Riddle won the district championship in the individual competition. Keith Nall made it to the quarterfinals. Laramie Gambrell finished in 4th place. In doubles play, Dylan Bryant and Nicholas McClure finished in 4th place. Matt Stewart and Toby Underwood made it to the quarterfinals. Lauren Peter and Libby Tutt finished in 4th place.

Kalyn Smalley and Ivy Kulyeshie made it to the quarter finals. Owen Crawford and Jolie Branch finished in 3rd place. Paige Abercrombie and Jackson Hanna finished in 4th place.

Congratulations to all of our tennis players!

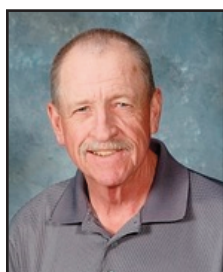


Jim Ned Sports Nation Facebook

Reese Cook and Kelsey Riddle win district championships in singles.

Softball's Coach Madison

JNHS Lady Indian
Softball Team



Coach Steve Madison took over the Lady Indian softball program this year. As April rolled by, Mr. Hogan heard several softball players come through the JNHS office area talking about the program and Coach Madison in particular.

When asked, several of his players had the following to say:

"Coach Madison has had such a great impact on our team. He is a respectful man. He has helped me become a better team player." - Grace Heuermann

"Coach Madison teaches us to work hard and has been patient with us throughout the season. He has also encouraged us a lot and taught us the love of the game." - Malone Graham

"Even the subtle tips that Coach Madison gives us help create the most noticeable impact on our performance." - Kayla Atkinson

"Coach Madison is a very encouraging and awesome coach. Nothing is better than when I have two strikes on a batter and I hear Coach Madison say, "Blow one by her for strike three, right here, Jen!"" - Jennifer Snapp

We take on Ballinger at home on April 19th. Hope to see you in the stands!

JNLI 2016 Basketball Honors

Hunter Cooley
JNLI Basketball Head Coach

Congratulations to the Lady Indians on a great season and the following honors:

West Texas Basketball Association 2016 All-Star: #23 Savannah Heath, April 1, 2016, 3:00PM, Odessa College

FCA 2016 All-Star: #23 Savannah Heath, June 4, 2016, 6:00PM, Brownwood Coliseum

Texas Girls Coaches Association 2016 All-Star: #11 Halle Cooley, July 12, 2016, 7:00PM, Arlington Lamar HS

TGCA All-State: #11 Halle Cooley, #30 Torey Bradshaw

Texas Association of Basketball Coaches Class AAA Academic All-State: #23 Savannah Heath; Class AAA All-State: #11 Halle Cooley; All-Region

I-AAA: #11 Halle Cooley, #30 Torey Bradshaw

2016 All-District 6-AAA Academic All-District: #2 Hadley Clearman, #3 Rylee Crawford, #5 Ryan Bush, #10 Jolie Branch, #11 Halle Cooley, #23 Savannah Heath, #24 Libby Tutt, #30 Torey Bradshaw, #33 Karson Tutt, #34 Peyton Febus

Defensive Player of the Year: #5 Ryan Bush

First Team All-District: #3 Rylee Crawford, #5 Ryan Bush, #11 Halle Cooley, #30 Torey Bradshaw

Second Team All-District: #10 Jolie Branch, #23 Savannah Heath, #33 Karson Tutt

Honorable Mention: #24 Libby Tutt

WORDJUMBLE

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TJBCSUE
 OKSBEONTO
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 RYD ASERE ARDBO
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Secret Word: _____

Secret Word: TEACHER

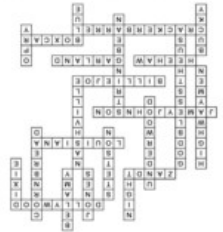
PURELY COUNTRY

ACROSS

- 5 Country themed amusement park
- 9 Townes Van _____
- 13 _____ Hayride
- 14 "In Color" writer (2 Words)
- 16 Gentry's "Ode to _____" (2 Words)
- 17 70's variety show (2 words)
- 18 Tree decoration
- 21 _____ Willie
- 22 "Country cookin'" restaurant and store (2 words)

DOWN

- 1 Brothers David and Howard _____
- 2 Country cutie Taylor _____
- 3 "He Stopped Loving Her Today" crooner
- 4 Country dinner staple
- 6 _____ Chicks
- 7 Hat
- 8 American Idol alum, Carrie _____
- 10 Johnny, Waylon, Willie, Kris, respectively
- 11 Lee Greenwood hit
- 12 Country music capital
- 15 Bush tune "The Ballad of _____ and Estelle
- 19 Grand Ole _____
- 20 American Idol country boy, first name
- 21 Color Country _____



Sudoku

9	5	4	2		7	8		3
			8		3			
8		3	9		4		6	7
5		9	6	3	2	1	4	
	3		1	4	8		7	
	4	8		7		6		2
7						4	9	
3	8			9		7	2	5
4	9			2	5	3		

Fill all the blank squares with the correct numbers. In a 9 by 9 square Sudoku game:

- * Every row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order
- * Every column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order
- * Every 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9

WHAT'S THAT WORD

CAN YOU MATCH THESE WORDS WITH THE CORRECT DEFINITION?

- 1) Tauromachy** _____
- 2) Dendrochronology** _____
- 3) Obambulate** _____
- 4) Nevus** _____

- A. BIRTHMARK
- B. THE DATING AND STUDY OF RINGS IN TREES
- C. TO WANDER ABOUT
- D. BULLFIGHTING