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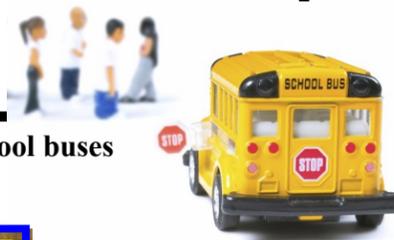
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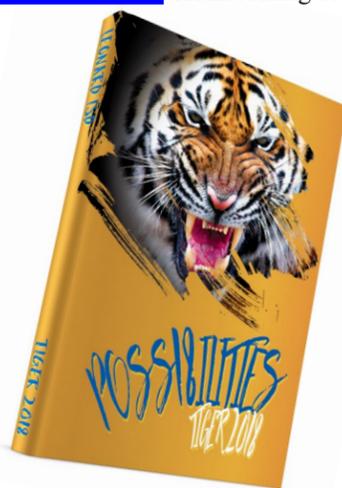


Left- Leonard Intermediate students enjoy the "Decade Day" theme as one of the Homecoming activities.



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From the Desk of Brad Maxwell, Superintendent

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year! With the new year well underway, we are looking forward to numerous educationally-enriching opportunities for our students. We are excited to have many new families joining the Leonard ISD community and are glad to have you as part of our school family. I hope that our returning students and families had a wonderful summer and are energized for a great school year. At LISD, we are striving to make each school year full of meaningful experiences to help prepare our students for the future.

Leonard Elementary School is proud to welcome Regina Blain as our new elementary principal. We currently have 270 students in pre-kindergarten through third grade at this campus. Our elementary teachers and staff do a tremendous job of making school a fun, rewarding place for our kids. These students are taken on an educational journey each day where they learn reading, writing, math, building social skills, friendships and so much more. As a former elementary principal for 15 years, I can attest to the importance of these lifelong skills our students learn at a young age which helps pave the way ahead. I would like to encourage our families to join the Leonard Elementary Parent-Teacher League (PTL) if you are not already a member. They have many fun-filled activities planned throughout the year for our students, staff and families.

At Leonard Intermediate School, we have 119 fourth and fifth graders joining us this year for some wonderful learning times. Our students love having the opportunity to have their own campus as they transition from the elementary level to the junior high within the next couple of years. You will find our caring teachers and staff working diligently at this campus to make these years exhilarating for our kids. Our fifth grade students always look forward to our annual science camp held each year. If you have not had the opportunity to visit the Leonard Intermediate campus website from the link on the Leonard ISD district homepage, then I would like to encourage you to do so. There you will find the Leonard Intermediate News which spotlights areas from campus news, character education, daily activities and a place to see a whole lot of exciting learning that is taking place.

Right next door at Leonard Junior High, you will find 217 sixth, seventh and eighth graders taking part in a variety of activities and learning opportunities. From Junior Beta Club, to Ag, to band, to robotics, to sports and so much more, our junior high students have an array of offerings to broaden their educational adventures. Our dedicated teachers and staff understand the important roles they play in the lives of our youth and are proud to help our kids maximize their potential. We like to encourage our students to take part and explore various interests that can spark a love of learning and possibly lead to a career pathway or hobby down the road.

We hope these learning interests cultivated in junior high will continue to grow as our students embark on Leonard High School. Our team of devoted faculty and staff strive to ensure student success each day. We currently have a total of 278 freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors at LHS. We are thrilled to be the home of the 2018 Women's Track & Field State Champions and the 2018 Beta Club National Robotics Champions. We are proud to offer some really great programs that help balance our campus from academics to the extracurricular side. We have expanded our Career and Technology Education courses (CTE) with some awesome opportunities for our students from areas such as computer programming, to health sciences, to vet tech, to robotics just to name a few. LHS offers up to 24 hours of college dual credit courses for our juniors and seniors in our partnership with Grayson College. As an added motivator to encourage success, LISD covers the cost of the college textbooks and reimburses the full tuition if a student makes an A in the dual credit class and implements a sliding reimbursement scale for a B or C. It is quite possible for our students to graduate from LHS with 24 college hours with little or no cost to the parents.

As you can see, there is a lot going on in LISD. An important goal we have is to work together to provide all Leonard ISD students the best educational environment possible. It is vital to have positive communication between the school and home as we all strive to make Leonard ISD better each day. We believe the school is the heart of our community and we have many great things going on at our campuses on a daily basis. Thank you for your support of Leonard ISD and we look forward to working with you throughout the 2018-19 school year.

Leonard Independent School District will partner with parents and the community to create life-long learners who are and socially prepared to be productive citizens. We are proud to provide a safe, respectful, learning environment where all children are challenged through stimulating learning experiences to achieve their dreams. At LISD we are investing in the future of our students.

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Student Photo Gallery

2018 LHS Homecoming Court



2018 Homecoming King and Queen Dalton Wigley and Madelyn Butler



Dalton Wigley and Preslie Watson



Mason Rhone and Caitlin Stone



Trenton Paskero and Madison Perry



Jackson Anderson and Madelyn Butler



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Leonard Students Excel in Fannin 4-H Club at Four State Fair

Right- LHS Junior, Lauren Newman, congratulates her Hereford heifer, Ellie, on a job well done. Newman placed 2nd in her class out of 29 contestants at the Four State Fair in Texarkana, Arkansas held on September 13th and 15th.



Left - Leonard Intermediate 5th grade student, Austin Newman, placed 6th out of 19 in his class of Polled Herefords with his heifer Dottie Lou. Newman competed under the Fannin County 4-H Club at the Four State Fair in Arkansas.



Leonard Elementary Appoints New Principal

A new face has taken over as principal at Leonard Elementary School for the 2018-19 school year. Appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Leonard Independent School District before the new school year began, Regina Blain, of Ravenna Texas, has replaced Julie Burnett who vacated the position in July after receiving a mid-summer offer at a district in the Dallas area. Blain said she is excited to take on her new position.

"I am honored to be named principal of Leonard Elementary," Blain said in a statement. "I am impressed with the dedicated staff, supportive community and great school spirit and feel fortunate to have the opportunity to join the Leonard School District. I am excited to work together with the students, staff and parents in the continued development of an exceptional school."

Blain began her career in education in 2004 teaching kindergarten at Denison ISD and was named Elementary Teacher of the Year in 2008.

She went on to teach fourth grade and dual language kindergarten at Whitewright ISD where she also served as the District ESL Coordinator and K-5 reading interventionist.

Blain holds a Master of Science degree and a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary studies from Texas A&M Commerce. Leonard Elementary School has about 270 students in preschool through third grade.



Above - Regina, Bryleigh and Steve Blain