



ON THE TRAIL OF THE TIGER PROWLING WITH PRIDE

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Leonard Independent School District will partner with parents and the community to create life-long learners who are academically 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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“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” — Nelson Mandela



Blaine Alexander of the Leonard FFA Chapter Receives Lone Star FFA Degree

Leonard High School Senior, Blaine Alexander, participating in the Leonard FFA program under the direction of Leonard ISD Ag teacher, Mr. Kenny Roberts, has earned the prestigious award bestowed by the Texas FFA. The Lone Star FFA Degree was awarded to Alexander over the past summer at the Lone Star FFA 84th annual Texas Convention held July 9-13 in Corpus Christi, Texas.

This award recognizes FFA members who have received the Chapter degree, been active FFA members for at least two years, complete at least four semesters of agricultural experience (SAE) program, demonstrate their leadership skills and show a commitment to the FFA through involvement at the chapter level and above. Alexander was one of more than 1,500 FFA members receiving this esteemed degree.

Making this award even more meaningful to Alexander is the fact that he is a third generation recipient of this award. Both his grandfather and his father were bestowed this honorable award when they were in high school.

“What I am most proud of is the fact that I am a third generation receiver of this award— both my dad and my grandfather won this award as well, and that makes it really cool to me” - Blaine Alexander



Blaine Alexander

Leonard Intermediate School

Teachers of the Month

Judy Williams and Alichia Brackett





Once a Tiger - Always a Tiger

It is widely accepted as an unofficial fact in Leonard, Texas, home of their beloved Leonard Tigers, that if you attended Leonard High School at any time or are born in Leonard, you are, "Once a Tiger, Always a Tiger". Left, Maddy Horton (3 yrs.) sharing the spotlight with Paws, shows a natural fever for proudly displaying her blue and gold pride at the Leonard High School pep rallies.



Leonard Elementary School Second and Third grade Star Students - L-R: Shelby Mendez, Kaleigh Vega, Maelynn Fuller, Krissy Noriega, Karen Contreras, Dylan Daugherty



Leonard Intermediate School Students of the Month - L-R: Marissa Majeau, Brooke Blackerby, Hadley Workman, and Andy Floyd



2012 Leonard ISD Board of Trustees

Stability and Continuity provide a steady base for our students. We are fortunate and grateful to have these qualities in our LISD Board of Trustees.

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"Excellence can be obtained if you:
 ...care more than others think is wise;
 ...risk more than others think is safe;
 ...dream more than others think is practical;
 ...expect more than others think is possible."

— Mrs. Hutchings

Leonard ISD On the Trail of The Tiger

This newsletter is written and distributed for the parents and patrons of the Leonard Independent School District. Comments, questions, concerns and suggestions may be directed to the Superintendent, Larry LaFavers, at the LISD Admin Bldg., or to Nancy Longino at longinon@leonardisd.net Please remember that space is limited, therefore we may or may not be able to share your ideas, but we always welcome your input. Special thanks to Mrs. Alice Dills at Leonard High School for her proofing and editing skills.



Tiger Talk with Mr. LaFavers

*Familiar Faces
wear new hats
for Leonard
ISD*

Dear Parents and Staff,

The 2012-2013 school year in the Leonard Independent School District is well underway. Our doors opened to welcome our students on August 27th. The district office and the school principals have been busy all summer working to ensure an outstanding learning experience for all of our students. It is my pleasure to welcome you to the new school year and to provide you with a brief update of recent and upcoming news in the District.

While this year will be faced with many challenges, it will also provide many rewards and opportunities. With the participation and commitment from each member of our school community, staff, parents, and students we are assured of a successful year ahead of us. Speaking of staff, we are proud to announce we had added some outstanding new teachers and coaches to our team here at LISD. We also have a number of new administrators – some newly hired, some in new roles. They include: Brandi Savage – Principal, Leonard Jr. High School, and Tammy Hutchings – Principal, Leonard Intermediate School.

As a District, we are committed to interactive, two-way communication with all of our stakeholders. We have highly qualified and dedicated staff serving our wonderfully diverse student population, supported by an active and involved parent community. Our people are truly our strength!

I hope you will feel free as always to contact me or the campus principals if you have suggestions or input regarding this school year and how we can make it the best year ever. I want to thank each and every one of you for your contribution to our children’s success. We could not successfully accomplish our mission without you!

Sincerely,

Larry LaFavers

Superintendent



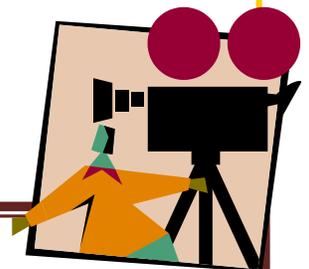
“It is not only what we do but how we do it; therefore it is vital that we all work together in partnership for the common goal of providing the best educational opportunities for our students.” —

Larry LaFavers
Superintendent LISD



**Flash Alert
Emergency
Newswire**

For up- to-date school closing information due to incimate weather, snow closings, or other emergency messages, be sure to sign up with Flash Alert Newswire. LISD will post the emergency bulletins online at www.flashalert.net and you can be notified by email or cell phone or home phone. The service is free of charge and makes it much more convenient to monitor school closings.



Check out pictures of your children on the **Photo Gallery** on the main page of the school website..When the Year-book Staff Photographers cover any event, they will post all of their pictures on the Photo Gallery. All you have to do is ‘right-click’ and ‘save as’ to your own computer. **Visit us online at www.leonardisd.net**



Home
of
the Tigers

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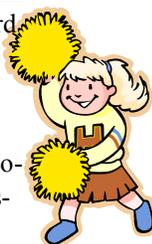
Please watch for school buses



Fridge Notes Upcoming Events



Back to School - LES Third Grader, Allison Blevins, makes her new locker look like home. Many of the LISD students chose to decorate their lockers with a custom look.



Senior linebacker, Bradley Dills, discusses strategy with Defensive Coordinator Coach Mike Dills. "The Tiger fans have always supported me and stood behind me and that makes a big difference," said player Bradley Dills

Friday Night Frenzy Leonard Varsity Football

9-28-12 Como-Pickton	Home	7:30
10-5	Open	
10-12 Whitewright	Home	7:30
10-19 Bells	Away	7:30
10-26 Gunter	Home	7:30
11-2 Tome Bean	Home	7:30
11-9 S&S	Away	7:30

SpikeZone

Leonard Varsity Volleyball

9-28	Pilot Point	Away	4:30
10-2	Farmersville	Home	4:30
10-5	Gunter	Home	
10-9	Sunnyvale	Away	
10-12	Van Alstyne	Away	
10-16	Caddo Mills	Home	
10-19	Bye		
10-23	Pilot Point	Home	

*Normally games that are on Fridays start at 4:30 and games that are on Tuesdays start at 5:00