

News From Rice School District - Garwood School

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I would like to start off by saying it has been a great year at Garwood so far. As with other schools in the district and the state, meeting state and federal standards has been a primary

focus of Garwood School. The teachers and students have been working very hard to prepare for the TAKS Tests scheduled for April 17th-20th. Currently, our enrollment is 194 from grades pre-k through eight. This is the first year that

Garwood has had Pre-K. It is a wonderful program that exposes eligible students to the classroom setting, better preparing them for Kindergarten. Over the last few years, Garwood School has incorporated new programs into the school including: Reading and Math Enrichment classes, ESL Classes, and tutoring offered before and after school.

There are many different programs that we implement to help struggling students at the Garwood School.

We start early in the year bringing students to the Reading and Math Enrichment Classes. Students are invited to attend based on benchmark or past TAKS results.

These students are monitored very closely and as they master certain objectives, they can be dismissed from the program.

Another first on our campus this year are ESL classes.

These classes are taught throughout the day to Spanish speaking students to help them become fluent in English as well as to prepare them for the TAKS Test.

Before and after school tutoring usually begins around November and lasts through April. Again, the main focus of tutoring is to prepare students for the TAKS.

The tutoring is just another example of the many programs offered at Garwood to ensure all students are being reached.

One of the most exciting things

happening at Garwood School this year is technology. Several teachers have begun to use Smart Boards and ELMOS in their classroom.

The Smart Board is an interactive white board that connects to a computer. Teachers may present lessons or students may be brought to the board to answer questions or two participate in the activity.

The Smart Board is equipped with data that can be used in several different subject areas across the curriculum. For example in Science, a teacher can project a dissection on the board. Students can label certain areas during the

activity. The ELMO is a visual presenter that projects information onto a screen.

What makes the ELMO unique is its ability to portray any item whether it is the page of a book, a calculator in Math, or some other Science material.

The staff and students are working very hard and doing everything possible to ensure every student's success.

Our goal is to instill confidence, discipline, and a positive attitude in relation to all school endeavors. The mission at Garwood is to provide every student with the tools necessary to become a successful high school student.

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Pictured above are participants from the 4-H State Indoor Archery Championships. Pictured from left are: Bobby Jones, Simone Petrosky, Diana Jurek and Brianna Rossignol. Not pictured Walter Christensen. Picture courtesy of Deborah Petrosky.

Area 4-Hers Compete In Archery Contest

Colorado County was well represented at the State 4-H Indoor Archery Championships held in Graham, Texas on March 23. Five members of the Columbus Area Shooting Sports Club attended the championships and all five placed in the top three in their events.

Inn Senior 2 Recurve, Bobby Jones placed first and Simone

Petrosky placed second. Diana Jurek placed third in Senior 1 Recurve and Brianna Rossignol placed second in Senior 2 Recurve Bare Bow. Walter Christensen placed first in Intermediate Recurve Bare Bow.

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Locals Compete In 4-H Fashion Show

Three Eagle Lake 4-H members competed in the Colorado County 4-H Fashion Show on Tuesday, March 27 and have advanced to the District 11 Fashion Show.

The District Show will be held Saturday, April 14, at Calhoun High School in Port Lavaca.

Brittany Parker, senior 4-H member, Takeshia Hodge, intermediate 4-H member, and Candace Stovall, junior 4-H member, participated in the Buying Division, Dressy category of the Colorado County Fashion Show.

The objectives of the Buying Division of the Fashion Show are to recognize 4-H members who exhibit skills in:

- Application of knowledge of fibers and fabrics to wardrobe selection
- Comparison shopping
- Fashion interpretation and understanding of style
- Good grooming and poise
- Modeling and presentation of themselves and their garments.

Mustangs Win Opening Contest Over Wallis

The Eagle Lake junior girls softball team, The Mustangs, put one in the win column over the team from Wallis on Monday, April 9. The Mustangs won the game 12-1.

Delilah Gentry was the winning pitcher going four innings. The game was called after four due to time.

The Wallis team started off with Webber pitching for three innings and then was replaced with Supak.

The Mustangs would have had a 14 to 1 win but two runs were called in due to interference by one of the Mustangs.

Team members for the Mustangs include Brooke Popp, Delilah Gentry, Kaytlyn Ford, Brandy

Brewer, Paige Vandermark, Neida Salazar, Alyssa Marsalia, Tina Till, Dynasty Johnson, Jaquita Woods, Brittany Vasquez and Christina Lopez. Also on the team but on the injured list is Kathryn Salazar.

The Mustangs are set to take on Needville on Thursday, April 12.

The Mustangs are coached by Carol Cardenas and Donna Samora who serves as assistant coach.

Cardenas stated, "I am very proud of the team, I hope we have just as good a game against Needville as we did against Wallis. The girls are very talented and have a lot of potential."

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To treat bruxism, patients may need to reduce emotional stress, and are often fitted with an oral appliance called a nightguard.

To make a night guard, the dentist takes molds or impressions of the upper and lower teeth. Next, the patient will need to bite into a piece of soft wax to record the position of the upper and lower jaw. When the nightguard is ready, the dentist may need to make a few minor adjustments to improve the fit. The patient should wear the appliance at night while sleeping, or during the day, whenever bruxism occurs.

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400-500 lbs	132-148 117-130
500-600 lbs	118-131 106-117
600-700 lbs	110-120 100-109
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300-400 lbs	125-138 115-125
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