



TMSCA Results

On Saturday, December 7, the Flour Bluff Junior High Math/Science Team traveled to Dallas to compete against 1500 students. The students did an amazing job. **We won both 7th and 8th grade sweepstakes. We won all 3 math events sweepstakes in both grades. We dominated the top 10 in most events, winning 1st place medals in 8 events. We won a total of 36 out of 80 top tens total. Of special note, Nathaniel Puumala received a perfect score in 7th grade Number Sense, and Samuel Zhang received a perfect score in 8th grade General Math.** Individual results as follows:

7th Number Sense:

1-Nathaniel Puumala, 2-Tristen Corpuz, 4-Connor Murphy, 6-Joonie Park, 7-Jackson Taylor, 12-Mariah Hollingsworth

8th Number Sense:

1-Kyle Xu, 3-Samuel Zhang, 6-Jessica Hu, 7-Alex Xie, 8-Linda Liu, 9-Xander Nguyen, 11-Zander Schillinger, 12-John Reyna, 19-Jenny Su, 24-Landon Knauss, 34-Mona Zhang

7th Calculator Application:

1-Nathaniel Puumala, 2-Tristen Corpuz, 3-Connor Murphy, 4-Joonie Park, 5-Jackson Taylor, 9-Carson Pape, 12-Mariah Hollingsworth, 29-Emily Chapa

8th Calculator Application:

1-Xander Nguyen, 1-Kyle Xu, 1-Samuel Zhang, 4-Jessica Hu, 4-Landon Knauss, 6-Juliana Diuguid, 6-John Reyna, 8-Linda Liu, 8-Alex Xie, 11-Jenny Su, 14-Mona Zhang, 16-Zander Schillinger

7th General Math:

2-Tristen Corpuz, 2-Nathaniel Puumala, 11-Joonie Park, 13-Connor Murphy, 18-Jackson Taylor, 32-Carson Pape

8th General Math:

1-Samuel Zhang, 3-Linda Liu, 3-Xander Ngyuen, 3-Kyle Xu, 12-Jessica Hu, 12-Jenny Su, 16-Mona Zhang, 19-Alex Xie, 20-Zander Schillinger

7th Science:

1-Eli Cooper, 10-Lydia Harris, 12-Josh Ewing, 21-Brannan Chapman

8th Science:

9-McKayla Anderson, 10-Lisette Torres, 23-Maria McDonel, 28-Alex Xie

Counselor's Corner

-Six Weeks Testing for the 3rd six weeks will be January 13-16.
 -The first semester will end 1/16/20. Students taking semester courses will move into their second semester electives at this time.
 -Students, please go to morning tutorials or Advisory tutorials if you need additional assistance.
 -Mrs. De Leon and Mrs. Schuster

DOD/Military Corner

DOD/Military Families,
 It is hard to believe December is upon us. I have enjoyed the first half of this school year working with your children. It is with a heavy heart that I share with you I will be moving to the hill country at the end of December. I have already shared this information with all of my students, so they know the transition process I will be taking. Counseling sessions will be set up with Ms. "Mac" who has been visiting with many of our active military through the MFLAC program. I want to thank each of you for sharing your wonderful student(s) with me for the past 3 1/2 years. I will miss them all.
 Happy Holidays.
 -Ms. Angel Paxton M. Ed. DOD/Military Counselor PK-8th

Band Results

Congratulations to three amazing FBJH Band students. These students advanced through two rounds of auditions against high school students to qualify for the High School All-Region Band! They will perform at the All-Region Clinic and Concert December 13-14 at the Laredo Student Activity Center (SAC). These students were the only 8th grade students competing in their respective sections. We have had a handful of years that one of our students achieved this honor. We have never had two, let alone three. Results:
Abrianna Garcia-placed 8th overall and made 3rd chair in the Concert Band
Steven Garcia-placed 27th overall on Trumpet and made 7th chair in the Concert Band
Micah Moon-Placed 3rd overall on Bassoon and made 1st Chair in the Symphonic Band (and would have qualified to advance to the Area round if he were a high school student!)

Boys Basketball Schedule

8th Grade A Team @ 6:15

Coach Henderson

- 1/9 vs TM
- 1/16 @ Alice
- 1/23 vs Grant
- 1/24-25 CCISD Tournament
- 1/30 @ Calallen
- 2/3 vs GP

8th Grade B Team @ 5:00

Coach Gonzalez

- 1/9 vs TM
- 1/11 FB Tournament
- 1/16 @ Alice
- 1/18 @ Port Aransas
- 1/23 vs Grant
- 1/30 @ Calallen
- 2/3 vs GP

7th Grade A Team @ 5:00

Coach Quintana

- 1/9 vs TM
- 1/16 @ Alice
- 1/23 vs Grant
- 1/24-25 CCISD Tournament
- 1/30 @ Calallen
- 2/3 vs GP

7th Grade B Team @ 6:15

Coach Henry

- 1/9 vs TM
- 1/11 FB Tournament
- 1/16 @ Alice
- 1/18 @ Port Aransas
- 1/23 vs Grant
- 1/30 @ Calallen

A Games are played at the FBJH New Gym and B Games are played at the FBJH Old Gym.

Puzzle Cube Winners

1st place puzzle cube winners:

Tommy Adams, Elijah Cain, and Desiree Boatwright

2nd place puzzle cube winners:

Joaquin Pena, Jon Kusenburger, Lupita Cruz, and Fabian Mendez-Vazquez

January is School Board Appreciation Month. Thank you to our school board members for your hard work and dedication to FBISD.



Reminders

- 1/17: Inservice/Student Holiday
- 1/20: Student Holiday/Staff Weather Day
- 1/21 Fourth 6 Weeks Begins
- 1/24: Report Cards Go Home

Monthly Fun Facts

- The flowers are snowdrop & carnation.
- The gem is the garnet.
- January is National Blood Donor Month, National Braille Literacy Month, National Hobby Month, National Soup Month, and National Staying Healthy Month.
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is the third Monday of the month.
- On January 1, 1863, the Emancipation Proclamation was issued by Abraham Lincoln.
- On January 10, 1920 the League of Nations was established.

Nurse's Corner

- Reminder of cold and flu season. It isn't too late to get your flu shot.
 - Now that coats and hats are out, be sure to check for lice. Remind children not to share hats, coats, and brushes.
 - The new year is coming. Time to make those New Years Resolutions of making choices to become healthier and exercise more or make better food choices!!!!
 - Please make sure you have updated any of your emergency contact information so that if your child has a problem, I have the correct number to call.
- Thank you, Nurse Amy

Yearbook

Yearbooks can be ordered in room 507 or online www.balfour.com for \$35.



Tennis Schedule

- 7th Grade Coach Sivils & Coach Redman**
- 1/9 @ GP
 - 1/23 vs TM
 - 2/2 Calallen Tournament
 - 2/6 vs Calallen
 - 2/15 Kingsville Tournament
 - 2/20 vs Kingsville
 - 2/29 FB Tournament
 - 3/5 @ Alice
 - 3/21 District Tournament
- 8th Grade Coach Sivils & Coach Redman**
- 1/9 @ GP
 - 1/23 vs TM
 - 2/2 Calallen Tournament
 - 2/6 vs Calallen
 - 2/15 Kingsville Tournament
 - 2/20 vs Kingsville
 - 2/29 FB Tournament
 - 3/5 @ Alice
 - 3/21 District Tournament

Library

- Spring pictures will be taken on Friday, February 21. If you didn't order in the fall, now is the perfect time to get your picture package ordered with a fancy background!
 - Are you taking advantage of our MackinVIA eBooks and audio-books? See Mrs. Krnavek in the library for more information or to get your login information. It's FREE!
 - THINK** before you post online or send messages to people!
 - T**-Is it TRUTHFUL?
 - H**-Is it HELPFUL?
 - I**-Is it ILLEGAL?
 - N**-Is it NECESSARY?
 - K**-Is it KIND?
- Once you post or send something, you lose all control over what happens. Protect yourself and **THINK!**

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Girls Basketball Schedule

- 8th Grade A Coach Solis-Grawn**
- 1/8 vs Baker
 - 1/10-11 CCISD Tournament
 - 1/13 vs Calallen
 - 1/20 @ TM
 - 1/27 vs Alice
 - 2/3 @ GP
- 8th Grade B Coach Stonum-Smith**
- 1/8 vs Baker
 - 1/13 vs Calallen
 - 1/18 Adkins Tournament
 - 1/20 @ TM
 - 1/27 vs Alice
 - 2/3 @ GP
- 7th Grade A Coach Downey**
- 1/8 vs Baker
 - 1/10-11 CCISD Tournament
 - 1/13 vs Calallen
 - 1/20 @ TM
 - 1/27 vs Alice
 - 2/3 @ GP
- 7th Grade B Coach Baker**
- 1/8 vs Baker
 - 1/13 vs Calallen
 - 1/18 Adkins Tournament
 - 1/20 @ TM
 - 1/27 vs Alice
 - 2/3 @ GP
- 7th A-FBJH New Gym @ 5:00
7th B-FBJH Old Gym @ 6:00
8th A-FBJH New Gym @ 6:00
8th B-FBJH Old Gym @ 5:00

Testing Strategies

- Hit the **QUAN**
- Q**-read the entire (whole) question.
 - U**-underline important words or phrases.
 - A**-answer the question.
 - N**-note evidence from the text to prove your answers.

Internet Safety

- Learn about copyrights. Make sure you know the laws. Don't post, share, or give copyrighted images, songs, or files.
- Check your "digital footprint." Try typing your screen name, name, or email address and see what comes up. You may be surprised to see what is on the Internet about you.