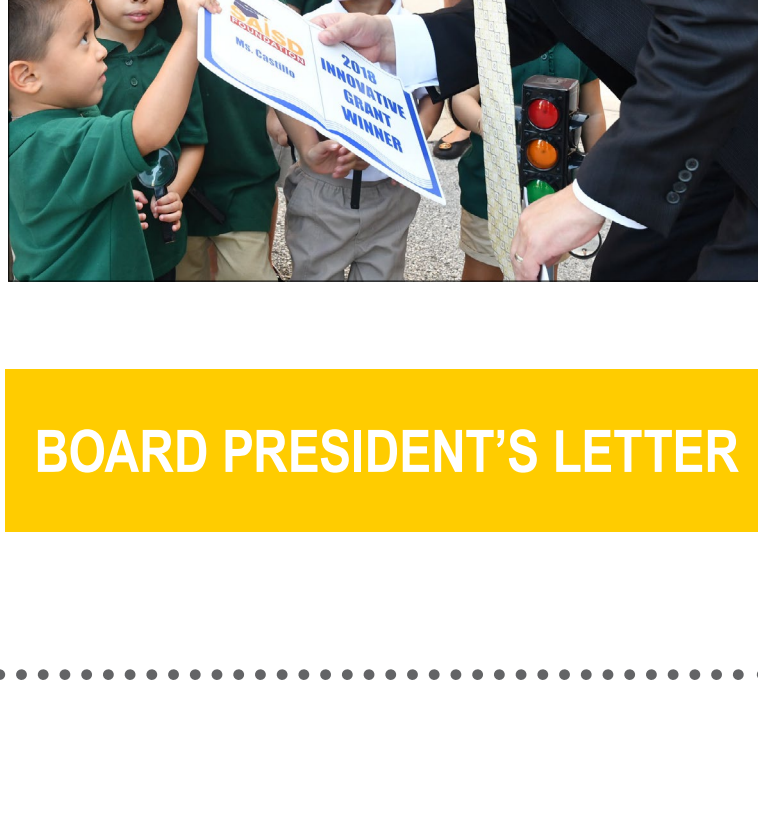


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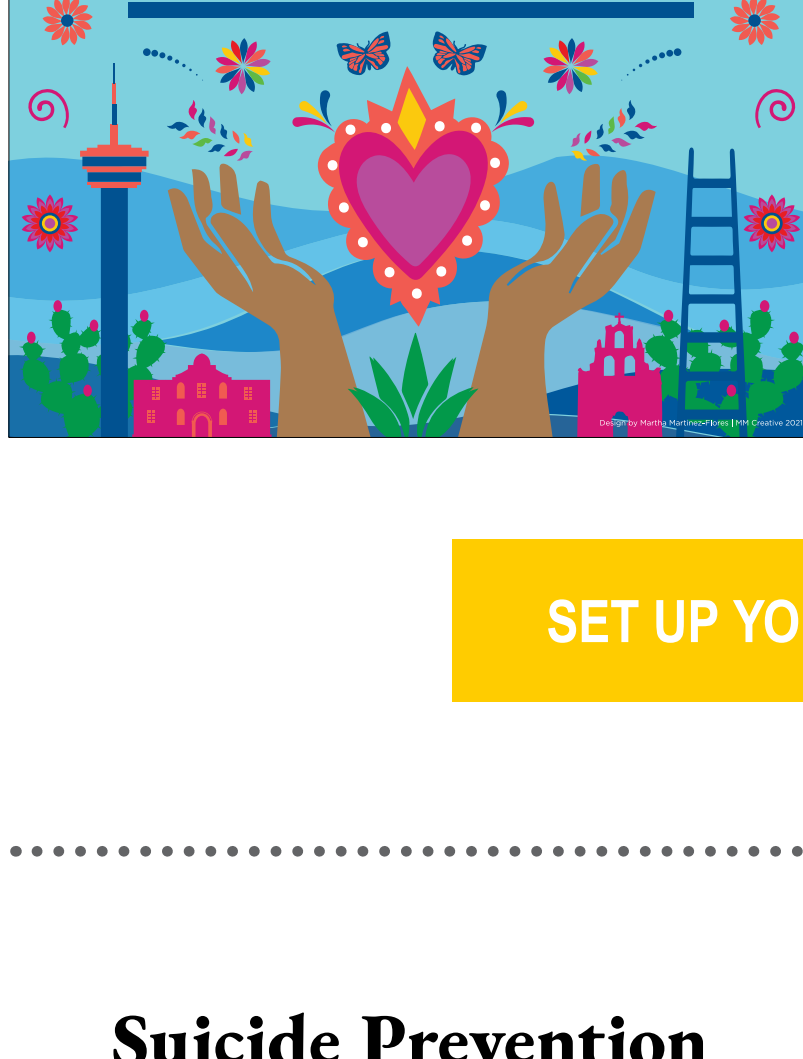
We will miss you

Superintendent Pedro Martinez announced Wednesday he was selected to become the next CEO of Chicago Public Schools. Read his heartfelt letter to the SAISD community, and the show of support for our district from the Board of Trustees.



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United Way Annual Charitable Campaign runs through Oct. 5

The COVID-19 pandemic put a strain on our community and demand is high for services provided by many United Way health and human care agencies. As we work to ensure our students receive the best quality education, we also see firsthand the great need among our own SAISD families. Your charitable contribution can help.

[SET UP YOUR PLEDGE](#)

Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

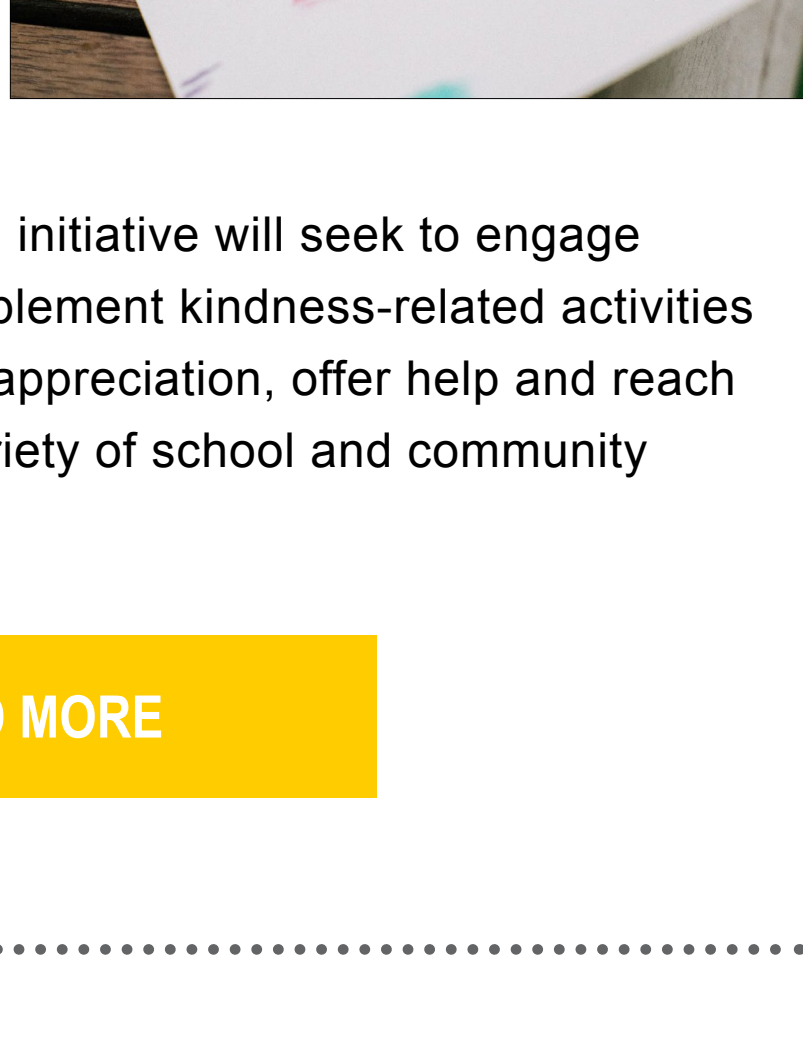
The month of September is National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month, and the district is providing resources to students, families, and employees to help them know the warning signs of suicide and help them connect with resources to help prevent suicide.



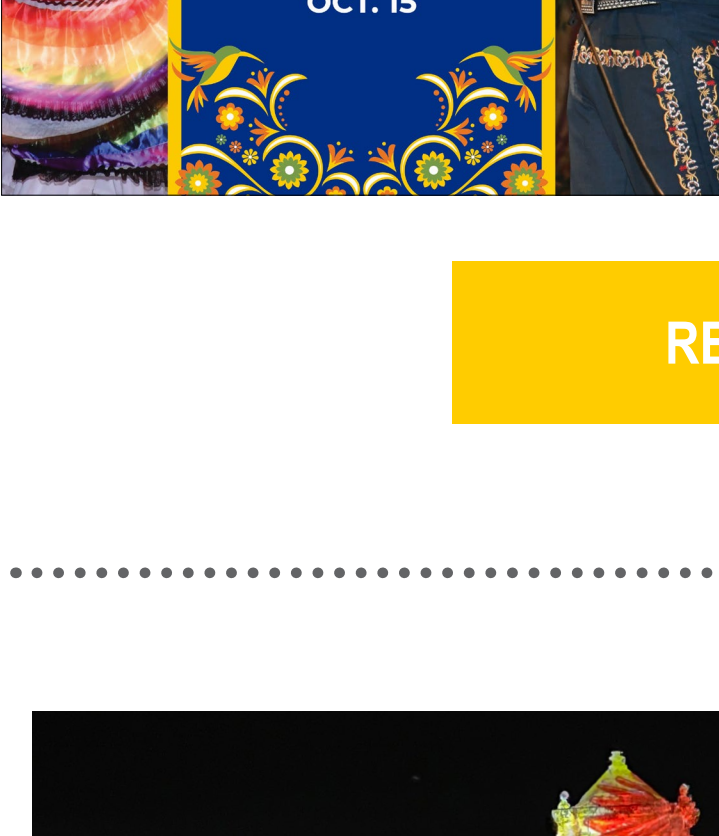
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Elementary schools to focus on kindness

Herff, Pershing and Washington elementary schools are among 82 schools nationwide that were awarded funding by the Choose Kindness Foundation, a philanthropic organization founded earlier this year. This new year-long initiative will seek to engage students in a consistent effort to implement kindness-related activities and behaviors — be friendly, show appreciation, offer help and reach out to those in need — across a variety of school and community settings.



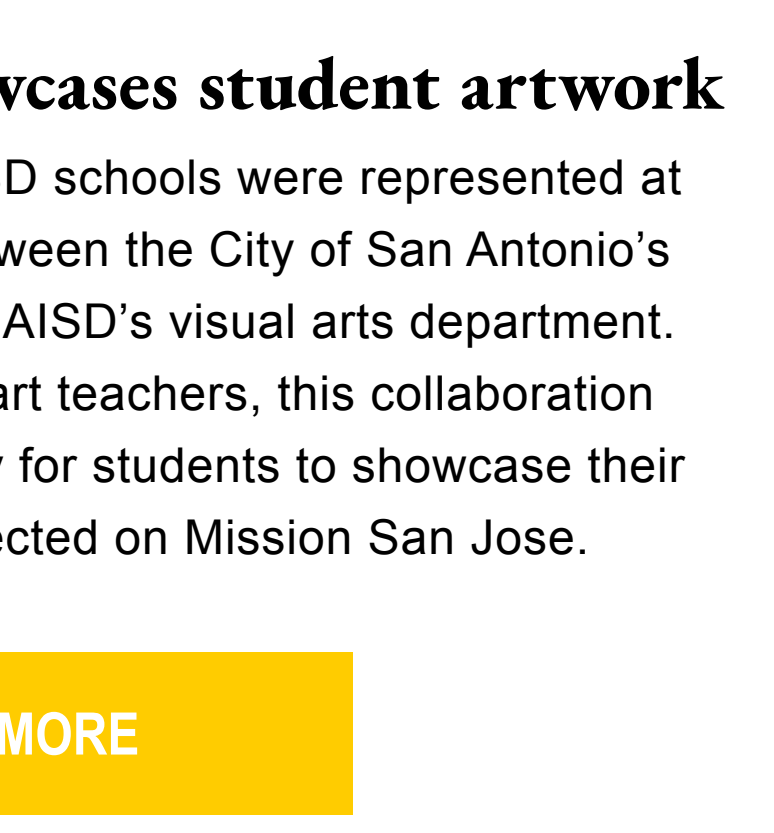
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Hispanic Heritage Month

Teachers and students across the district are celebrating National Hispanic Heritage Month Sept. 15 – Oct. 15. Celebrations are occurring at different grade levels district-wide, recognizing contributions by Hispanic Americans in the areas of education, entertainment, politics, and more.

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Restored by Light showcases student artwork

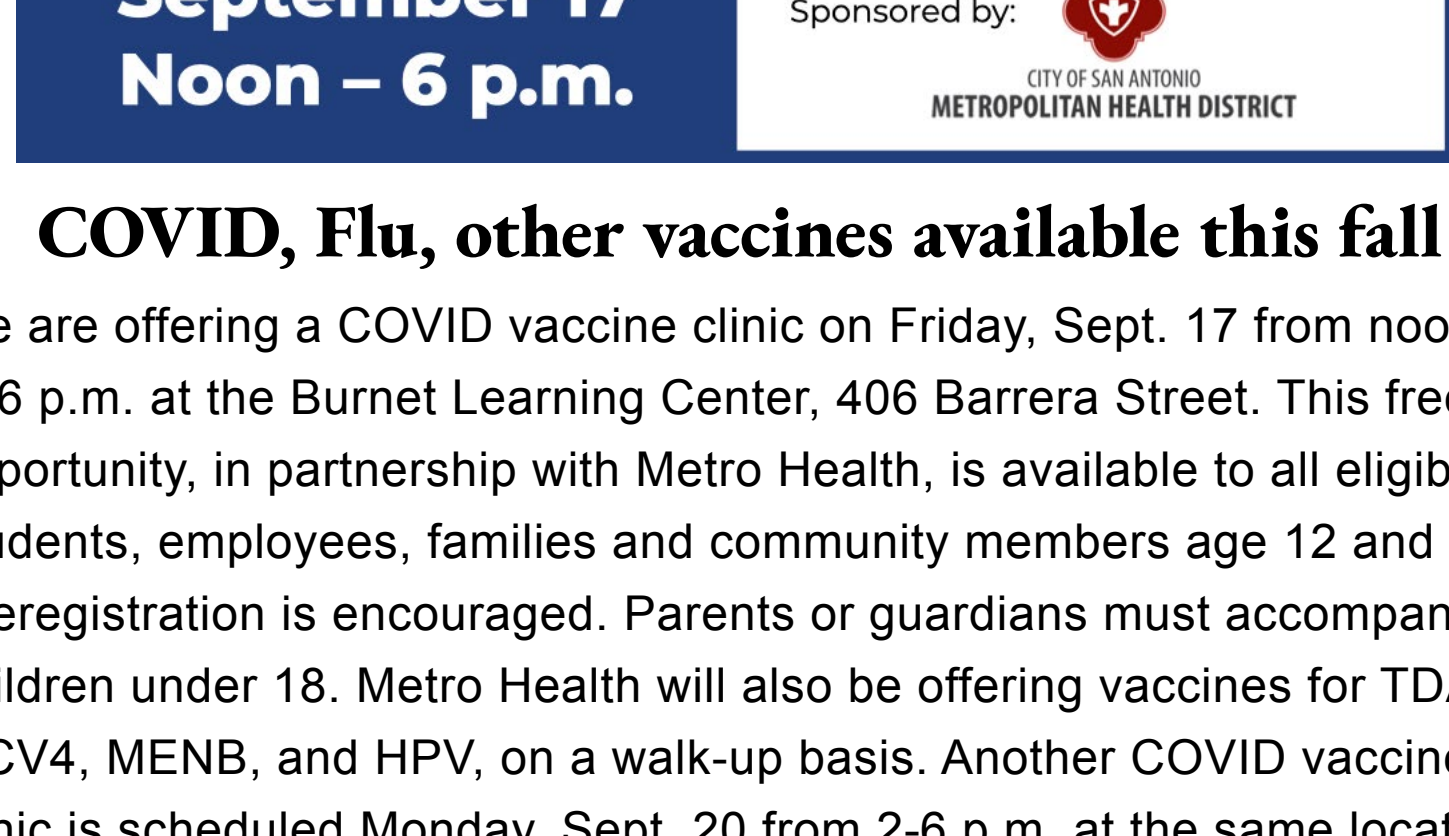
More than 50 students from 15 SAISD schools were represented at Restored by Light, a partnership between the City of San Antonio's Office of Historic Preservation and SAISD's visual arts department. Through the guidance of 17 SAISD art teachers, this collaboration created a larger-than-life opportunity for students to showcase their artistic talent as their work was projected on Mission San Jose.

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"I think of them as my babies"

Click on the photo above to hear from bus driver Albert Ross on how working for SAISD's Transportation Department is a job like no other.



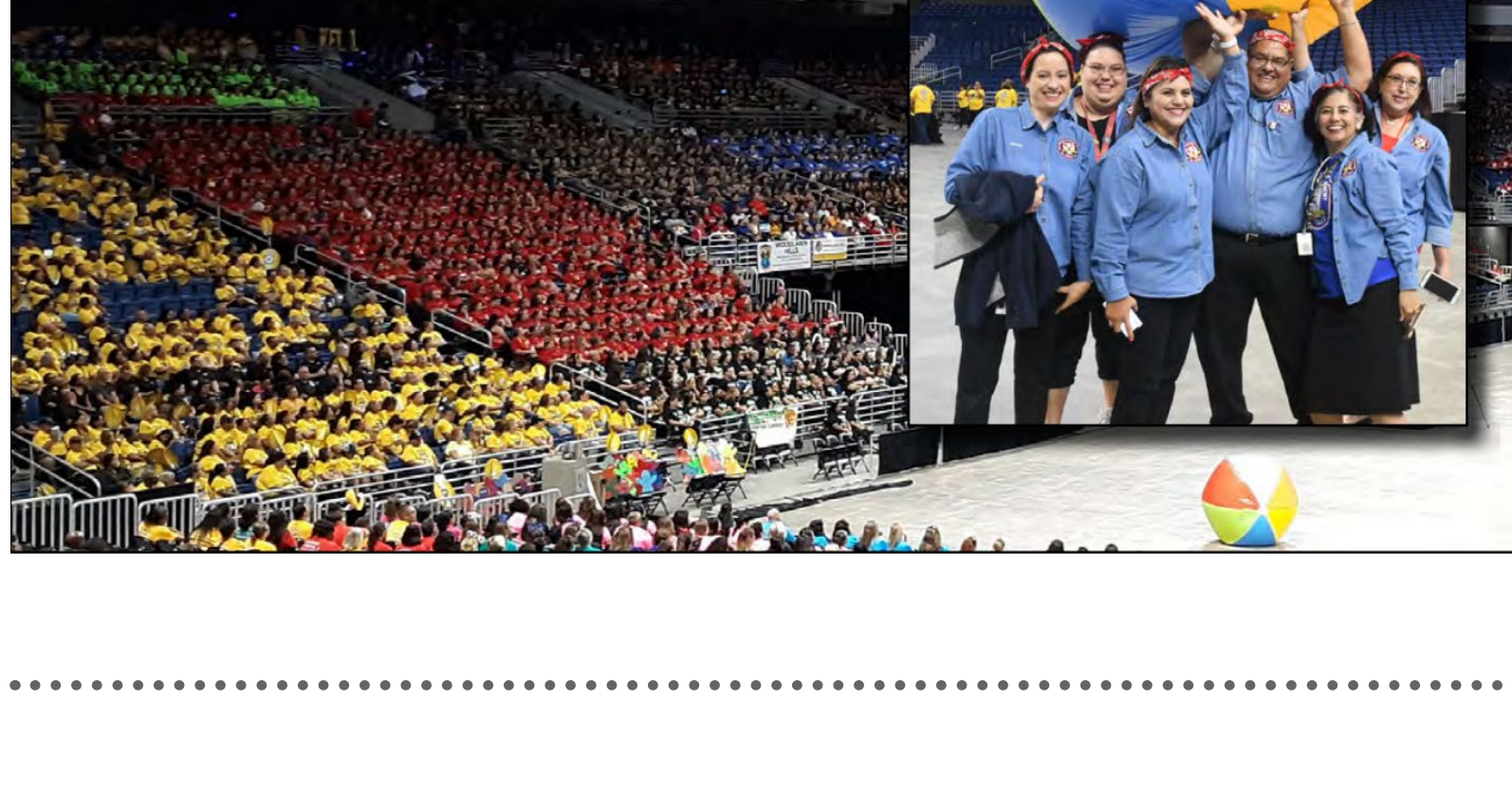
COVID, Flu, other vaccines available this fall

We are offering a COVID vaccine clinic on Friday, Sept. 17 from noon to 6 p.m. at the Burnet Learning Center, 406 Barrera Street. This free opportunity, in partnership with Metro Health, is available to all eligible students, employees, families and community members age 12 and up. Preregistration is encouraged. Parents or guardians must accompany children under 18. Metro Health will also be offering vaccines for TDAP, MCV4, MENB, and HPV, on a walk-up basis. Another COVID vaccine clinic is scheduled Monday, Sept. 20 from 2-6 p.m. at the same location in partnership with the University of the Incarnate Word. The district is also hosting flu vaccine clinics throughout the month at various locations. Sleeves up for health!

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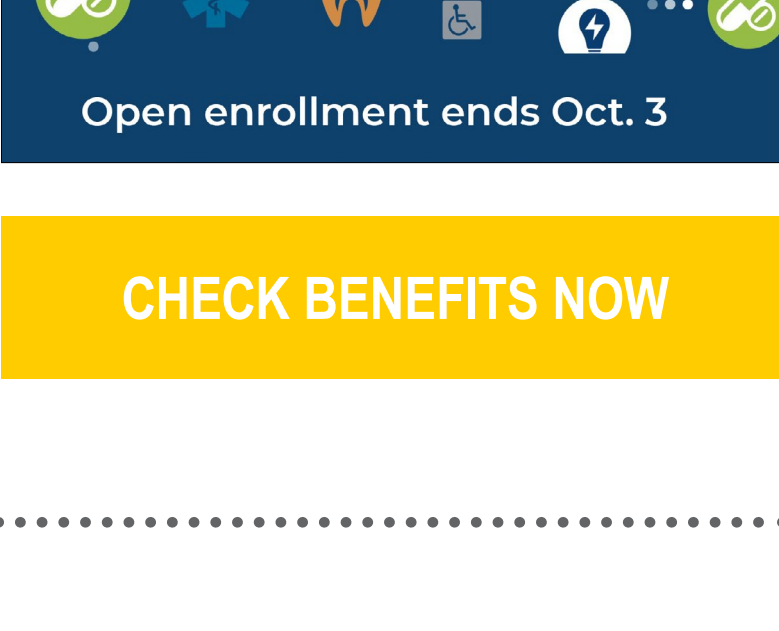


Convocation 2022-2023 survey

We are already planning for Convocation 2022-2023! Voice your opinion now through [this quick two-minute survey](#).

Open enrollment runs through Oct. 3

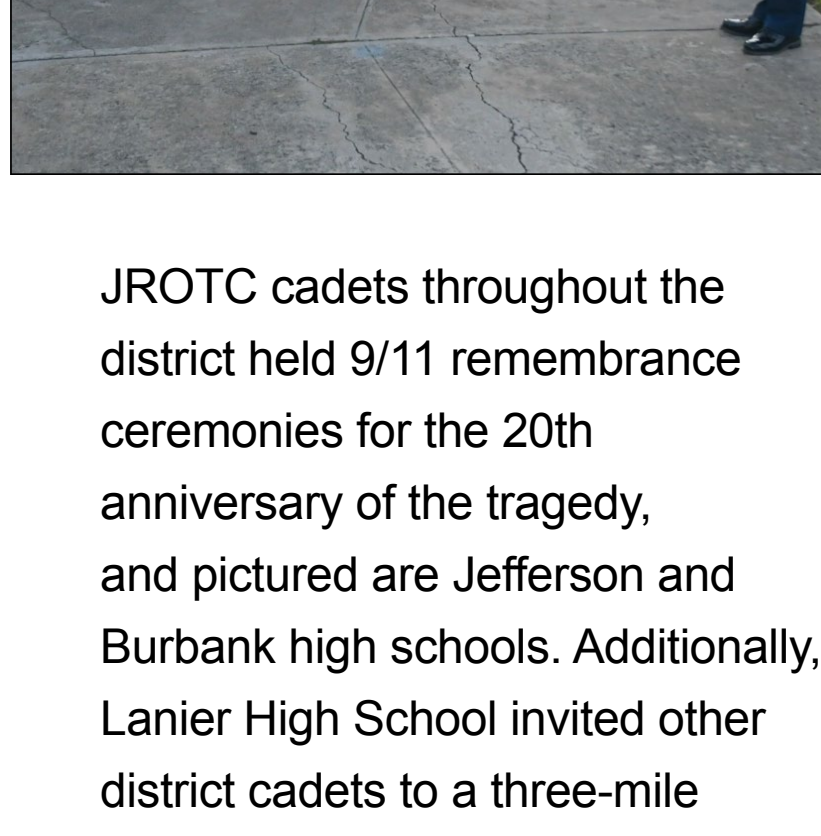
All employees are encouraged to review their benefits during the open enrollment period. Employees may make changes to coverage and dependents during this time. There are no price increases for year 2022!



Open enrollment ends Oct. 3

[CHECK BENEFITS NOW](#)

Closing shots of the week



JROTC cadets throughout the district held 9/11 remembrance ceremonies for the 20th anniversary of the tragedy, and pictured are Jefferson and Burbank high schools. Additionally, Lanier High School invited other district cadets to a three-mile remembrance run on Saturday. Did you know? Two SAISD instructors were working at the event on that fateful day. [Read about their experiences here.](#)

