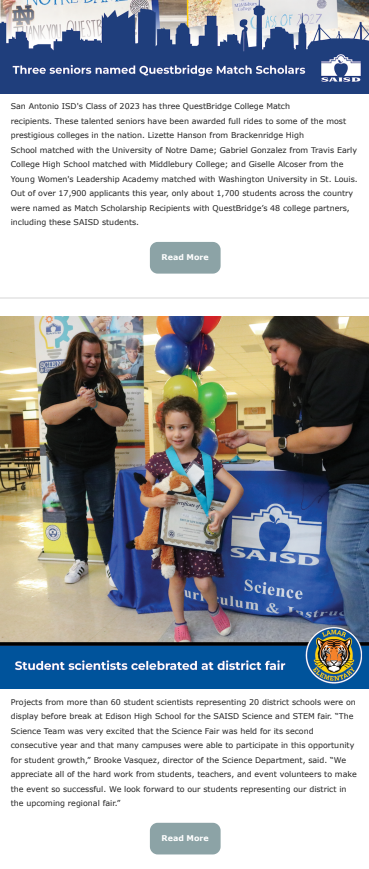


## NEWS AROUND THE DISTRICT



### Three seniors named QuestBridge Match Scholars

San Antonio ISD's Class of 2023 has three QuestBridge College Match recipients. These talented seniors have been awarded full rides to some of the most prestigious colleges in the nation. Lizette Hanson from Brackenridge High School matched with the University of Notre Dame; Gabriel Gonzalez from Travis Early College High School matched with Middlebury College; and Gisele Alcoser from the Young Women's Leadership Academy matched with Washington University in St. Louis. Out of over 17,900 applicants this year, only about 1,700 students across the country were named as Match Scholarship Recipients with QuestBridge's 48 college partners, including these SAISD students.

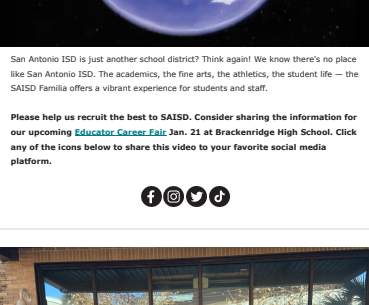
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### Student scientists celebrated at district fair

Projects from more than 60 student scientists representing 20 district schools were on display before break at Edison High School for the SAISD Science and STEM fair. "The Science Team was very excited that the Science Fair was held for its second consecutive year and that many campuses were able to participate in this opportunity for student growth," Brooke Vasquez, director of the Science Department, said. "We appreciate all of the hard work from students, teachers, and event volunteers to make the event so successful. We look forward to our students representing our district in the upcoming regional fair."

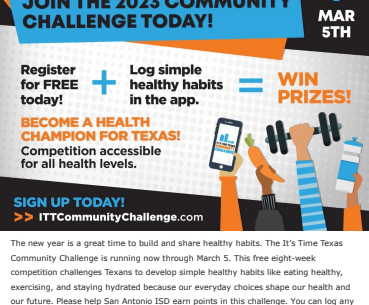
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### Alumna in Poland with state department program

Two years ago, Nahommy Jimenez would have never imagined herself living in the United States, let alone Europe. But Europe is where this San Houston High School graduate currently resides. The 2022 San Antonio ISD alumna is a member of the inaugural U.S. State Department FLEX Abroad program in Poland. She's already had quite a journey and yet her academic path is just beginning as she prepares to return and study International Relations at Trinity University.

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### Transportation pair honored for saving toddler

On a cold morning after Thanksgiving break, substitute bus driver Dawn Hepworth and substitute monitor Brenda Huff took a wrong turn on their morning route. But that "mistake" ended up saving a life when they saw a young child in the road unattended. They were commended last month for their quick thinking to save the toddler.

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## "SAN ANTONIO ISD IS JUST ANOTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT"

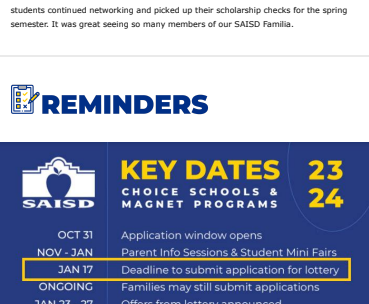
San Antonio ISD is just another school district? Think again! We know there's no place like San Antonio ISD. The academics, the fine arts, the athletics, the student life — the SAISD Familia offers a vibrant experience for students and staff.

**Please help us recruit the best to SAISD. Consider sharing the information for our upcoming Educator Career Fair Jan. 21 at Brackenridge High School. Click any of the icons below to share this video to your favorite social media platform.**



### Cyber Patriot teams head to semifinals

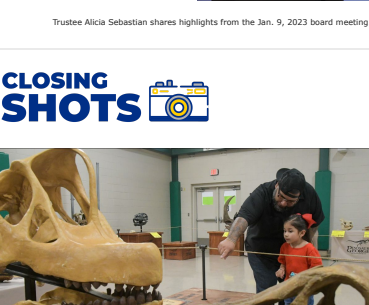
CAST Tech High School has two Cyber Patriot teams who have qualified for semifinals next week. The advancing Gold and Silver teams were in the top 25% of the state competition. The teams, coached by their teachers Lisa Jones and Sandra McClure, will be competing in the next level of the cybersecurity contest Jan. 20. Congratulations!



**Register for FREE + Log simple healthy habits in the app = WIN PRIZES!**  
BECOME A HEALTH CHAMPION FOR TEXAS! Competition accessible for all health levels.

The new year is a great time to build and share healthy habits. The It's Time Texas Community Challenge is running now through March 5. This free eight-week competition challenges Texans to develop simple healthy habits like eating healthy, exercising, and staying hydrated because our everyday choices shape our health and our future. Please help San Antonio ISD earn points in this challenge. You can log any or all of your healthy meals, water consumption, and activities each day to earn points for yourself and the SAISD Familia. Download ITT Community Challenge app on your phone to get started.

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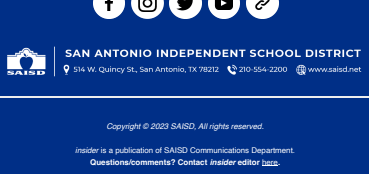


You are invited to help finalize the vision that San Antonio ISD foresees for its children and the future of our community. Reflect and share insight on *Always Learning*, our five-year plan. Come lend your voice to our story!

FEB. 1, 2023 | 5:30 - 7 PM  
SAISD ALAMO CONVOCATION CENTER, 110 TULEITA DRIVE  
Complimentary dinner and entertainment

We appreciate the time that our SAISD Familia has invested in helping to chart the path we will take together to benefit our students through the *Always Learning* strategic management plan. The title reflects that just as our children learn, we as a district are always growing and learning, too. We know we have much to learn from you, our employees. If you want to give additional feedback, we invite you to a Gathering of Community Voices Feb. 1 at Alamo Convocation Center.

[Visit Always Learning](#)



January 2023 has been proclaimed as School Board Recognition Month, and this year's theme is "Forward, Together." As we continue to navigate the challenges posed during the last few years, we appreciate the job our board has done leading the way. San Antonio ISD thanks its Board of Trustees for their commitment to our students, staff, schools, and community. Our trustees are an amazing group of individuals who voluntarily take up the enormous responsibility of governing our schools, and we are extremely proud of them. Our seven board members serve as a guiding force to an exemplary education and provide extensive opportunities for student success.

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Registration closes tonight! Join the Young Men's Leadership Academy for their 2023 MLK 5K Sun Jan. 15 at 9 a.m. at MLK Park. This run is a fundraising event for the academy as well as a demonstration of the school's support for Martin Luther King Jr.'s message of resilience and equality.

[Register Now](#)



### Foundation hosts breakfast for scholarship recipients

Last week, more than 30 recent San Antonio ISD graduates gathered at the Alamo Convocation Center for the SAISD Foundation's Spring Scholarship Breakfast. The event, built in partnership between the SAISD Foundation and the department of Postsecondary Initiatives, gave students receiving Foundation scholarships a chance to network with their peers and mentors and enjoy a quick bite to eat. The program featured a panel discussion with several young SAISD alumni discussing their pathways and obstacles during their undergraduate years and beyond. After the panel, students continued networking and picked up their scholarship checks for the spring semester. It was great seeing so many members of our SAISD Familia.



DATE	REMARKS
OCT 31	Application window opens
NOV - JAN	Parent Info Sessions & Student Mini Fairs
JAN 17	Deadline to submit application for lottery
ONGOING	Families may still submit applications
JAN 23 - 27	Offers from lottery announced
FEB 10	Deadline to accept a lottery offer
FEB 14	Offers from waitlists begin
SPRING	Registration begins
JUN 1	Deadline to accept offer; 9 <sup>th</sup> -gr. varsity UIL

[Learn more & apply at saisdchoice.com](#)

It's almost time for the lottery! Tuesday, Jan. 17 is the deadline for the Choice lottery. No matter where you live, there is an SAISD Choice School or Program to best meet your child's unique interests. Children of all current SAISD employees are also invited to apply. Join the SAISD familia today: apply to up to three Choice Schools or Programs at saisdchoice.com, in person at your current SAISD school, or call us at (210) 554-2660.

[Apply Today](#)

### COMPLIANCE TRAINING DUE JAN. 13



Watch the superintendent's latest *Quick Takes with Jaime* video.



Trustee Alicia Sebastian shares highlights from the Jan. 9, 2023 board meeting.



The Huppertz Elementary gym was transformed into a giant dinosaur museum for both students and the public to enjoy and explore! During the school day Tuesday, Huppertz classes rotated through the museum, featuring life-size fossils and bones, plus lots of information about the different dinosaurs. Then, in the evening, families were invited to take part in the Dinosaur George experience. We loved watching this program that brought science to life.

