

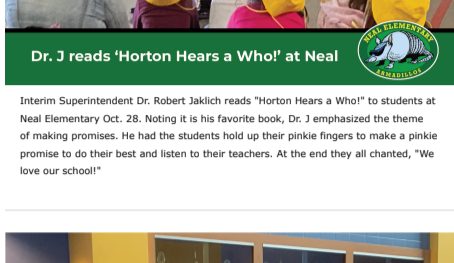


CAMPUS NEWS



Hawthorne receives first new scrubbing machine

Hawthorne Academy received a new floor scrubbing machine this week. It is the first one to be delivered of 87 scrubbing machines the Facilities Department ordered for campuses across the district. The machines save time and reduce injuries from slippery floors and repetitive motion with hand mopping, and are part of the district's commitment to make sure team members have the right tools to do the job. The district has also ordered 87 floor buffing machines, 100 vacuums, 10 exterior window washing units, 60 restroom grout and wall cleaning machines, as well as wheeled waste transporting carts for every campus.



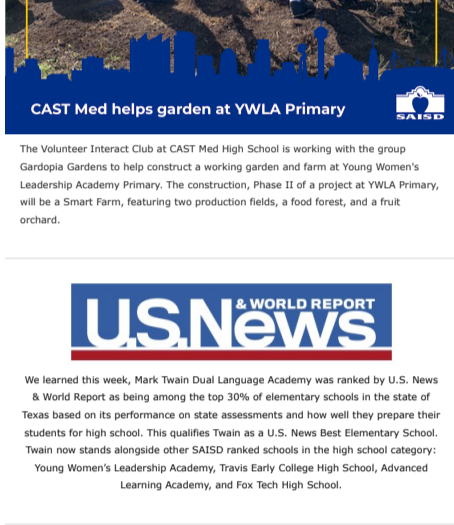
Dr. J reads 'Horton Hears a Who!' at Neal

Interim Superintendent Dr. Robert Jaklich reads "Horton Hears a Who!" to students at Neal Elementary Oct. 28. Noting it is his favorite book, Dr. J emphasized the theme of making promises. He had the students hold up their pinkie fingers to make a pinkie promise to do their best and listen to their teachers. At the end they all chanted, "We love our school!"



Councilman Bravo visits Margil Elementary

City Council District 1 Councilmember Mario Bravo bumps elbows with students from Ms. Terrazas' third grade class at Margil Elementary School when he visited the campus earlier this month. He toured the campus, spoke to students, and donated supplies. Thank you Councilman Bravo!



CAST Med helps garden at YWLA Primary

The Volunteer Interact Club at CAST Med High School is working with the group Gardopia Gardens to help construct a working garden and farm at Young Women's Leadership Academy Primary. The construction, Phase II of a project at YWLA Primary, will be a Smart Farm, featuring two production fields, a food forest, and a fruit orchard.



We learned this week, Mark Twain Dual Language Academy was ranked by U.S. News & World Report as being among the top 30% of elementary schools in the state of Texas based on its performance on state assessments and how well they prepare their students for high school. This qualifies Twain as a U.S. News Best Elementary School. Twain now stands alongside other SAISD ranked schools in the high school category: Young Women's Leadership Academy, Travis Early College High School, Advanced Learning Academy, and Fox Tech High School.



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT







October is National Principals Month. Our principals in SAISD are the best, working tirelessly to make sure teachers have all they need to support our students. During the month, communications and human capital management met with principals from a variety of schools to document their day-to-day lives, their motivations, and what they love about their staffs and schools. Here are their stories.

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NEWS AROUND THE DISTRICT







Grant to fund citizenship classes for 200


A grant from the Department of Homeland Security awarded Catholic Charities and San Antonio ISD \$250,000 to help fund the citizenship process for 200 people. SAISD Adult and Community Education will run the educational portion of the process, including teachers, supplies, technology, and other instructional needs. Catholic Charities will offer legal assistance, citizenship tests, training of staff members for the naturalization process, and assistance with financial resources to SAISD families.

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Free One-to-One Virtual Tutoring for all SAISD Students

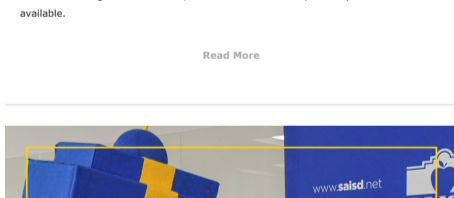
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Students in San Antonio ISD have access to universal virtual tutoring and homework support in both English and in Spanish thanks to a partnership with Tutor.com, a service of the Princeton Review that connects students with screened, qualified, expert tutors on demand. After completing a simple login through Classlink, students can connect with a live tutor to help them with course material in any of 1,200 different classes.

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Bond community meetings visualize future

Community members discuss plans for Graebner Elementary School at the Bond 2020 "charrette" meeting Oct. 21. The meetings, arranged by feeder pattern, are allowing public input on the changes ahead at more than 30 SAISD campuses. Meetings are scheduled through mid-November, and both virtual and in-person options are available.

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UTSA invests in future Cyber Defenders

In honor of Cybersecurity Awareness Month, UTSA's [Center for Infrastructure Assurance and Security](#) donated hundreds of [Cyber Threat Defender](#) Cards to San Antonio ISD teachers. The donation will allow teachers to gamify cyberlearning and serve as ground level interest for students who will later involve themselves in CyberPatriot Competitions.

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REMINDERS



Second set of compliance training available

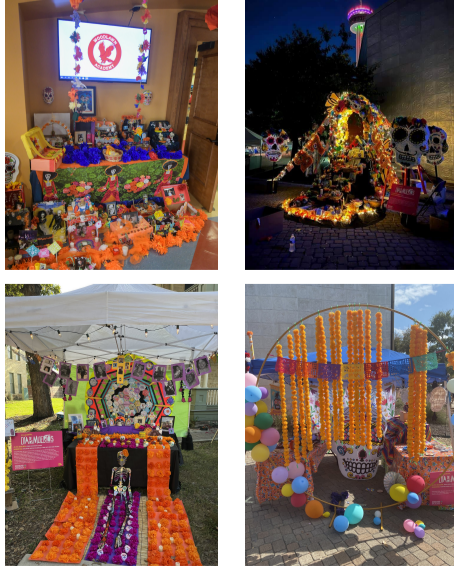


INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

[Click to read Dr. Jaklich's most recent letter](#)



CLOSING SHOTS



Across the district, students have been building altars, or ofrendas, for Día de los Muertos. Some are on display in campus classrooms and hallways, and other schools took their altar on the road for Muertos Fest at HemisFair last weekend. Pictured clockwise from left are Woodlawn Academy, Edison High School, Storm Elementary, and Davis Middle School. Día de los Muertos is Tuesday, Nov. 2.