Superintendent's Newsletter "Teamwork" November 2, 2017

When it comes to teamwork and helping kids, our region of west Texas goes above and beyond. I am repeatedly reminded of how lucky we are to be surrounded by truly caring individuals. This makes me so proud to be part of the Alpine community and an Alpine Buck.



This past week, Alpine ISD held numerous Red Ribbon Week activities as part of our leadership role in drug prevention. The activities at Alpine ISD were linked to a national campaign geared towards education about drug prevention and advocacy. Alpine ISD is proud to sponsor activities that help nurture a healthy and drug free environment for our youth.

Numerous local agencies assisted us in this endeavor and we are very grateful for their support and expertise. Our students participated in activities led by the Brewster County Sherriff's Department, Alpine Police Department, DEA, DPS, Air Marines, and U.S. Customs and Board Protection. Thank you to everyone who worked to make this past week's activities meaningful to our students.

This week, Alpine ISD was able to deliver numerous items to Bloomington ISD. This was the last step in our efforts to help another school district get past the devastation they encountered from Hurricane Harvey. In another amazing example of teamwork, we were assisted by numerous agencies and individuals.

Valentine ISD, Marathon ISD, and Fort Stockton ISD all joined us in our support for Bloomington ISD. As our efforts to help Bloomington ISD grew, we began to receive donations of canned food, water, new household items, and school supplies from our students, parents, and community members. Monetary donations were also received and every cent has been turned over to Bloomington ISD.

Additionally, Sul Ross State University joined us and have donated numerous items that will help Bloomington ISD throughout the school year. We were blessed by the assistance of Skelton Trucking Company and Brewster County, as they joined efforts to donate the truck and trailer that we used to take all our items to Bloomington. Brewster County employees went to Bloomington with us to deliver the items.

The past two weeks in Alpine have proven just how well we all work together to serve students, not only students in Alpine, but across the state as well. There is profound truth in these words by Mattie J.T. Stepanek, "Unity is strength...when there is teamwork and collaboration, wonderful things can be achieved."

Together, we truly achieved something wonderful.

Go Bucks

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