



**Dr. Brent Hawkins**  
LISD Superintendent

# Hawk's Talk

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

## **April LISD School Board Meeting**

### **Hawkins gives update on Cochran Field at LHS**

LISD School Board President called the meeting to order. LISD Superintendent Dr. Brent Hawkins gave a facility committee report sharing the status of turf on the Corky Cochran field at Livingston High School. LISD Athletic Director Finis Vanover described the process, "The yard and boundary lines on the field are woven in, they cut every number out of the turf, and a canvas-type surface is hand sewn in the green turf. There is no paint used on the field." Hawkins added, "Ninety percent of football fields in Texas are turf. Seven of the nine teams in our soccer district are played on turf. The new field will have a seven-year guarantee, so we will plan for a re-matting in ten years."

In addition to the approval of minutes from previous board meetings, financial statement, and payment of bills was the purchase of track surfacing and sealant from Quality Courts for \$222,404 and Protect Tracks for \$188,900. Also approved was the Athletic Insurance Renewal

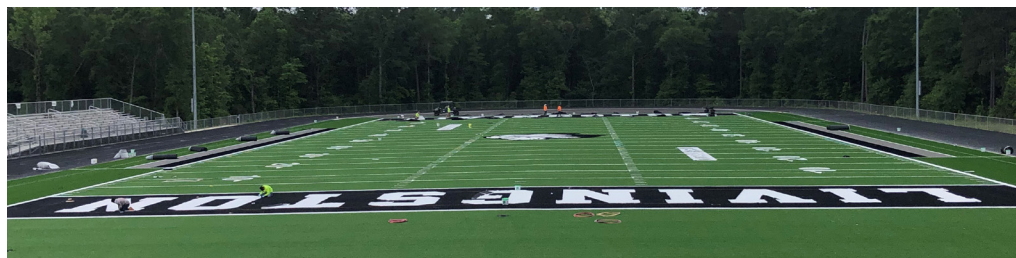


**Aerial view of the LHS Cochran Field.**

with Greater East Texas Insurance Associates, LLC for the 2022-2023 school year at the cost of \$32,168.00. The contract was renewed with Axley and Rode, LLC for the 2021-2022 audit in the amount of \$29,500. The purchase of a new plasma table was approved for the CTE Department from Teaching Systems, Inc. for \$28,529.00. The Workers' Compensation Coverage was approved through Alamo Insurance Group/Deep East Texas Self Ins. Comp for \$99,217, which is the second year of a three-year contract with a rate guarantee. An amendment to the LISD Salary Instrument was approved by adjusting the staff step 6 to \$77,500 to add flexibility for market conditions.

Under action items, the board approved the ESC 5 Spanish Distance Learning Contract. Region 5 Education Service Center has a co-op that can provide a synchronous live feed that would teach LHS students through a live Zoom feed. A facilitator or proctor would be in the classroom. This option would allow LISD to cover classrooms in the most critical need job area of Spanish classes. The live feed would be used for Spanish 3 and Spanish 4 classes, allowing the district to give students what they need.

The Board voted to terminate the probationary contract of Dr. Julie Bollich on a 6-0 vote.



**Field view of the LHS Cochran Field turf installation.**

## LION COUNTRY CALENDAR

**Thursday, April 28, 2022**

**Friday, April 29, 2022**

4:30 pm - LHS Lions JV/V  
Baseball vs Hardin Jefferson

**Tuesday, May 3, 2022**

5:30 pm - LHS- College Panel  
Night

7:00 pm - LJH- Spring Band  
Concert @ Creekside Elementary Auditorium

**Wednesday, May 4, 2022**

6:00 pm - LHS - High School  
Jazz Band performs @ High School Commons

**Thursday, May 5, 2022**

6:30 pm - Of Mice &  
Men - LHS One Act Play -  
Creekside Elementary Auditorium - \$5 tickets at the door

**Friday, May 6, 2022**

LHS- NNDCC Military Ball-  
LHS Commons  
9:00 am - CSE Student  
Awards

**Saturday, May 7, 2022**

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm - LHS-  
Junior/Senior Prom- Polk  
County Commerce Center

# Lions - Making the Headlines



**Congratulations to Maci Hill for placing first at Texas History Day for her Individual Documentary: Communist in the Cornfields: Roswall Garst's Citizen Diplomacy. She will be advancing to the virtual National History Day Contest in June.**



**Congratulations to Harper Armstrong, Luisa Perez Montes, and Eddie Turk on their fourth-place Group Website, "The Korean War and the Creation of the DMZ," at Texas History Day.**



**Congratulations to Dylan Shannon for placing second in the Extemporaneous Speaking Contest at the Sam Houston District Convention. He will be advancing to the Area competition.**

## *It's Concert season once again in Livingston ISD!*

*You are invited to join us for three nights of music as the Livingston Junior High Band and Livingston High School Band perform their spring concert programs. Concerts are open to the public and free of charge! We hope to see you there!*

### **Livingston Junior High Spring Concert (6th-8th grade)**

**Tuesday, May 3, 7:00pm**  
@ Creekside Elementary Auditorium

### **Livingston High School Jazz Band (9th-12th grade)**

**Wednesday, May 4, 6:00pm**  
@ High School Commons

### **Livingston High School Spring Concert (featuring the Symphonic Band and Wind Symphony, with a large combined finale)**

**Thursday, May 12, 7:00pm**  
@ Creekside Elementary Auditorium

