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Red Lick Independent School District

November-December 2016

The Red Lick Independent School District will prepare and empower students to adapt to a changing tomorrow.



Newly elected Board members: Justin Maynard, Travis Strate, Carley Buxton, John Floyd and Andrew Venable.

BOARD ELECTS OFFICERS



The Red Lick Board of Trustees has elected its officers to serve from November 2016 thru October 2017. They are:
President, Justin Maynard
Vice-President, David Price
Secretary Monica Harrison



MARK YOUR CALENDAR



January 2, 2017

Teachers return from holidays.

January 3, 2017

Students return from holidays.

January 3 Transfer applications can be picked up.

January 5, Basketball vs. New Boston (Boys There/Girls @Home)

January 14 Queen City Tournament - Boys Only

January 16 - Staff Development - No students @school

January 19 Basketball vs. Hooks (Boys There; Girls @Home)

January 21 Red Lick Girls' Basketball Tournament -Home

January 24 School Board Meeting

January 26 Basketball vs. DeKalb(Boys

@Home; Girls-There

January 28 Red Lick Boys' Basketball Tournament - Home

March 13-17 Spring Break

Each year students submit drawings to be used on the district Christmas card. Out of approximately 450 entries seven are selected. The 2016 Christmas card winners are: Julia Hackleman, Peyton Sims, Abby Henard, Addisyn Gildon, Avery Stewart (not pictured Makenzee Minter and Beth Dictze).



Helping a child dream, achieve, succeed

Kindergarten

- Transfer applications will be available January 3 and can be picked up at any school office
- Transfer applications will be accepted January 5-27
- Families will be notified of transfer status by March 10
- Campus tours will be offered on Wednesday mornings throughout January

Grades 1-8

- Transfer applications will be available January 3 and can be picked up at any school office
- Transfer applications may be submitted beginning January 5
- All grade levels will be notified by May 19
- Campus tours will be offered on Wednesday mornings throughout January



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Red Lick ISD offers a warm, nurturing, small school atmosphere with a focus on the development of the whole child.



School District Report Card

The State Report Card for Red Lick ISD for 15-16 has been released and will be sent home with each student at the end of the first semester.



Red River Credit Union donated the new marquee sign to Red Lick Elementary School. The District wishes to express appreciation to Mr. Bob Buck, CEO, the Board of Directors and Ms. Patricia Cunningham for this generous donation.



Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

The annual Red Lick Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony was held December 6th in front of Red Lick Middle School. The program was presented by K-1st grade as they sang Christmas carols in both English and Spanish. The event was attended by an estimated 300 parents, community patrons, and students. Hot chocolate was served by the National Junior Honor Society. And, those special visitors Mr. and Mrs. Clause arrived on one of the C-5 fire trucks. The event is jointly sponsored by Red Lick ISD, C-5 Fire Department, and the city of Red Lick.



Board Notes

The agenda for the December 13th board meeting included the following topics:

- Public Hearing for the TAPR (Texas Academic Performance Report) presented by Nick Blain, Superintendent, Debbie Cooper, Principal and Jason Dempsey Principal
- Public Hearing to consider Red Lick ISD to become a District of Innovation
- Report concerning the financial condition of the District
- Resolution to pursue becoming a District of Innovation
- Resolution to support the abolishment of the Small Schools formula which restricts funding to districts less than 300 square miles. The possibility exists that if the small schools formula is abolished Red Lick ISD could receive an additional \$504,000.
- Appointment of a committee to develop a District of Innovation Plan. Once the plan is developed, it will be posted on the District's website for 30 days prior to approval.

ATHLETICS



Basketball in Action

Basketball games are being played weekly. Games have been played Monday evenings; however will be changing to Thursdays immediately following the Christmas break. In the boy's division Red Lick Middle school has three teams - 7A, 7B and 8A. The girls have four teams - 7A, 7B, 8B and 8A. Be sure and check the District's website for the schedule of games.



Practice Track

A practice track has been constructed on school property just south of the elementary school. Surface is made of soil and cement for stabilization. A fence is scheduled to be constructed around the track. The community is welcome to utilize the track for exercise.



Elementary

Veteran's Day Program



The fourth grade class paid honor to those who served in the armed services. Each member of a branch of service was asked to stand as their respective songs were sung - Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard. Other songs and speeches were presented to honor the veterans.

New Playground Equipment for K-2

New playground equipment has been added to the existing playground for K-2. The new equipment includes slides, climbing wall and new swings. Other playground equipment was refurbished.



Elementary School Activities

Students in grades K-6 participated in Turkey Mania.



SEM students from RLES sing to patients at Health South Rehab



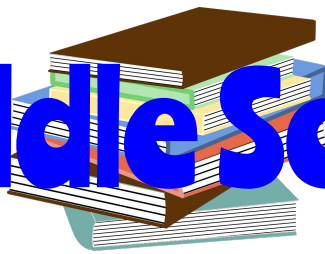
Second grade SEM class attended Art class at Renaissance Art .



Transfer Applications for 2017-2018

Transfer applications to attend Red Lick Elementary School can be picked up in the campus office beginning January 3rd and may be returned starting January 5th. Details concerning Kindergarten screening can be obtained by calling 903-838-8230 ext.2001

Middle School



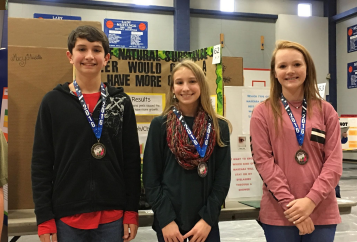
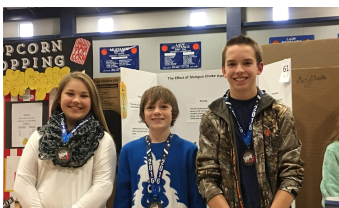
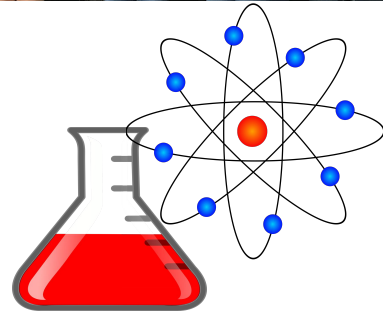
Attendance is extremely important for our campus. Students are more likely to succeed in academics when they consistently attend school. We are striving for a 98% attendance rate at Red Lick Middle School. We need your help to reach this goal. Please make sure your students are at school and here on time. We are offering a few incentives to the grade levels for reaching that goal. Our incentives include: movie nights, electronic days, and music at lunches. At the end of the year, the grade levels that reach 98% will get to Duct Tape Mr. Dempsey to the wall, shave his head, and watch him kiss a pig.



BASE graduation was held on December 6th. Our Fire Escape plan winners (pictured left): Zoe Vanderhoof, Madison Northcutt, Maddie Campbell, Ella Graham, Kason Colbert, and Brenton Clark. The essay winners (pictured right): Lorian Hensel, Erica Zofcin, Anna Bius, Landry Binning, Sara Havel, Mollie Fisher, Rylee Bevers, Julia Hackleman, Summer Reinsch, Laken Richardson.



SCIENCE FAIR



Red Lick Middle School hosted our Middle School Science Fair on December 14, 2016. The winners were:

Abbey Fricks, 1st place, Regional Qualifier; Hadley Davis, 2nd place; Bella Cherry, 3rd place; Emma Henard, 1st place, Regional Qualifier; Connor Russ, 2nd place; Ethan Gardial, 3rd place; Trent Chisholm, 1st place, Regional Qualifier; Isabelle Hackleman, 2nd place, Regional Qualifier; Maggie Ritchie, 3rd place, Regional Qualifier; Kaylee Tilbury, 1st place, Regional Qualifier; Caden Jean, 2nd place, Audrey Fricks, 3rd place, Regional Qualifier; Madilyn Morse, 1st place; Landry Bruner, 2nd place; Bailey Hawkins, 3rd place; Gracie Henard, 1st place, Regional Qualifier; Isaac Taylor, 2nd place, Regional Qualifier; Logan Knight, 3rd place, Regional Qualifier.

8th Grade High School Tours:

Texas High School and Hooks High School, January 25, 2017
Pleasant Grove High School and Redwater High School, January 30, 2017.