

BARBERS HILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Barbers Hill

Summer 2022

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3RD PLACE HIGH JUMP



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BEST IN TEXAS

JAYDEN THROWER
3RD PLACE TRIPLE JUMP



KACI ANDRUS
4TH PLACE POLE VAULT



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Barbers Hill ISD envisions academic excellence characterized by goal-driven, college/career-ready graduates who are responsible, accountable, contributing members of society.

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A short time ago, we named our Auxiliary field and Auxiliary stadium after two prominent BH grads, Guy Matthews and Gordon Speer. It was a most moving ceremony as both men who are in their 80s spoke with passion about their exceptional high school experiences, and that this recognition was the most significant of their lives. This sentiment is all the more remarkable because these are two men who have led very successful lives. Guy is one of the state's leading patent attorneys, and Gordon is one of the area's most prominent land developers in the last 50 years.

This event was a reminder of the life-changing impact our district has on students and families. It's a much-needed reminder, because I don't recall in my 37 years in this profession a time when there was more division and mistrust. Topics like Critical Race Theory, library book selection, and allowing transgender athletes to participate in UIL Athletics are just a few topics that are tearing apart other districts. Even COVID created strong divisions that are still being dealt with in other communities. I can set your mind at ease that this school board and superintendent listen to our community regarding these social issues and NO, Barbers Hill does not and will not ever espouse Critical Race Theory.

The naming ceremony was "good medicine" for a troubled time. May we always be a district where being a blue and white Eagle is THE most important thing, and where education that changes lives is THE most important "social change." When you attend future activities at Guy Matthews Field at Gordon Speer Stadium, know that the gentlemen that they are named for certainly bleed blue, and it's reassuring that unity is still possible in the midst of a world of division.

WELCOME SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE MARK WILSON



Voters in May elected new school board member Mark Wilson to serve the students, staff, and community of Barbers Hill ISD. A graduate of the BH Class of 2002, Wilson served as chairman of the Barbers Hill Parent Advisory committee in 2020. He is employed as Director of Operations with the Texas Military Department at Ellington Field Joint Reserve Base, and is also an Air Force officer in the Texas Air National Guard. Wilson and his wife Taja are the parents of three girls, Cammile, Shelbie, and Elizabeth, all Barbers Hill Eagles. Welcome, Mark!

History Happens Today



AUXILIARY STADIUM NAMED FOR ALUMNI

Barbers Hill ISD honored alumni Gordon Speer and Guy Matthews in April with the re-naming of the district's Auxiliary facilities to become Guy Matthews Field at Gordon Speer Stadium. The field and stadium are used by schools and the community year-round for sports and fitness activities.

Guy Matthews was born in Mont Belvieu and graduated valedictorian of the Barbers Hill Class of 1957. He has led a successful Houston law firm since the 1960s as a patent attorney and is a founding member of the BH Sports Hall of Honor.

Gordon Speer is a 1956 graduate of Barbers Hill. He holds the most State Championship titles in BH history, with gold medals in Track for the 100-yard Dash, 220-yard Dash, and 440-yard Relay. Speer returned to the Hill after college as an early real estate developer. He built many of Mont Belvieu's existing subdivisions and businesses that are cornerstones for the community today. He is also a founding member of the BH Sports Hall of Honor.



Becky Nelson Transportation Center

Barbers Hill Board of Trustees re-named the district's Transportation Center for longtime Transportation Director Becky Nelson. Nelson was a graduate of the BH Class of 1974 and served the students and families of BHISD for 36 years. A true Barbers Hill Eagle, Nelson led the department through a more than four-fold increase in student enrollment and cared deeply for the safety and well-being of generations of BH students. Nelson passed away in March, 2021, and is deeply missed by all who knew her.



Travis Poe Center for the Performing Arts

Theater Director Travis Poe served the students and community of Barbers Hill for 35 years before his retirement in 2021. His passion for theater and theater instruction led the district to win five state championship titles for One Act Play during those years. In total, Poe made 19 state appearances with One Act Play, the third highest number of state appearances in Texas One Act Play director history. The Board of Trustees elected to re-name the Barbers Hill High School theater as the Travis Poe Center for the Performing Arts, in honor of his dedication and leadership in Barbers Hill ISD.





Special Olympic Team

BHHS students Gunner Jett and Kaeson Ryan earned a place on the Special Olympics Soccer team for the State Tournament this Spring.



HOSA Future Health Professionals

Emily Gonzales, Mackenzie Vojacek, Fenecia Shaiju, Savannah Galvan, Bailey Delafield, Eden Frazier, Demi Trammell, Kayleen Ramirez, Caydence Sanford qualified to participate in multiple competitions in the healthcare field at the State level in April.

Academic Decathlon

Academic Decathlon finished 3rd place overall at the Frisco State Tournament. The team also finished 2nd place in the Super Quiz event.

Individually, the team members earned 5 gold medals, 9 silver medals, and 4 bronze medals. Team member Harley Holden individually finished 4th place overall.



Debate

The Debate team swept district competition with all 3 medals, and six students attended State competition. Placing at State were Bryce Sheffield and Riley Bailey, who reached Octofinals (pictured below). Additional state participants and alternates included Roberto Yanez, Kaden Farrington, Emma Goddard, and Nick Baez.



Band Solo & Ensemble

Members of the Soaring Eagle Band attended the Region 19 UIL Solo and Ensemble Contest at Pearland High School. The team brought home 176 First Division medals, and 39 students qualified for the UIL State Solo and Ensemble Competition to be held at the end of May.



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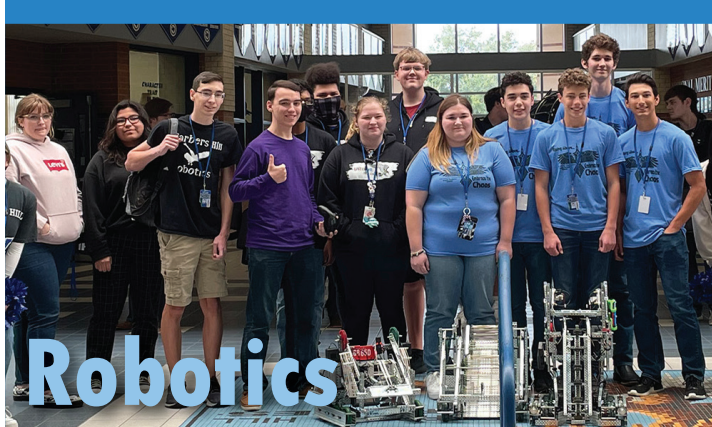
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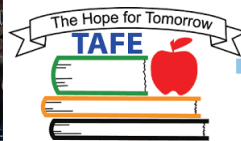
Congratulations to Director Kevin Stone, who retired in May.

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Robotics

BHHS Robotics Club competed in the VEX Robotics Texas State UIL Pilot Competition and finished in 2nd place in the state besting all of the teams in the Houston area. Congratulations to Bolts, Sweat and Tears (6865B). Team members included Nathan Clearo, Peytyn Hope, Luke Hatley, Ryler Collins and Ryan Dangle. Congratulations to team 6865D on making the Quarter Finals as well. That team included Aaron Hinkle, Nathaniel Jeter and Clin Shaiju.



TAFE Texas Association of Future Educators

Jordan Guess earned a Gold level certificate in Elementary Interactive Bulletin Board. Grace Gause earned a National Qualifier's position in Elementary Interactive Bulletin Board.



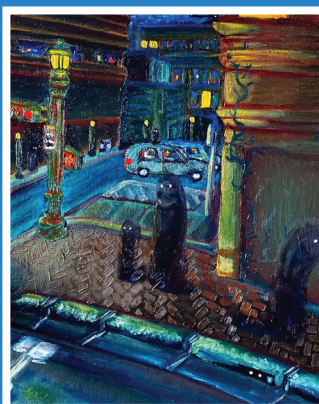
Agriculture

Barbers Hill FFA students qualified for state competition in 4 categories, including
 Livestock: Cayden Caston, Riley Fleming, Kailey Wingate, Kimber Simons
 Floral: Aliyah Russell, Emily George, Sidney Otto, Stephanie Reynolds
 Milk Quality: Garrett Overby, John Sanchez, Jordan Smith, JT Mathison
 Tractor Tech: Reagan Royer, Ethan Tindol, Logan Rushing



VASE Art

Brisa Johnson competed in the state VASE Art competition in San Marcos. Her piece was featured in the Division 2 gallery and received a Superior Rating.



Solo & Ensemble Choir

Nineteen choir students advanced to state for Solo & Ensemble state competition on May 30th in Austin.

Students included: Ellie Alford, Gracie Claire Aslin, Sydney Aslin, Samantha Calma, Jacob Christine, Kaylin Conway, Cody Creed, Angelica Gomez, Loreece Gonzalez, Brooke Groom, Rosalyn Kelly, Lauren Kunz, Maisyn Pagan, Megan Penrod, Raylan Sanderson, Jada Sessions, Jonah Stewart, Addison Thornton, Kloe White



Color Guard

The Soaring Eagle Color Guard competed in the Texas Color Guard Circuit (TCGC). For the first time in school history, the Color Guard fielded a Varsity and Junior Varsity competition team. The Junior Varsity Color Guard placed 4th in the TCGC Area East Championships. The Varsity Color Guard competed at the TCGC State Championships and placed in the top 10 in their division. In addition, the Soaring Eagle Color Guard competed in the TCGC Solo & Ensemble contest and was awarded 16 Bronze Medals, 5 Silver Medals, and 6 Gold Medals.



Eaglettes

In March the Eaglettes competed at the Showtime International Competition in Rosenberg. Once again they earned the highest scores and placement in Team history for this competition.

Awards included: Team Sweepstakes, Team Judge's Award, First in Pom, First in Jazz, First in Contemporary, Runner up Small Ensemble, Winner Small Team, Grand Champion Team Third Overall Highest scoring team, Solo finalists were Michaela Harmon, Katelyn Reed and Aniston Wirzberg.

Congratulations,
Eaglettes!



EXCELLENCE



Online Registration Only
BHISD.NET or Scan QR

For questions,
call 281.576.2221 ext 1334

No walk-ups

SUMMER



SPORTS CAMPS



CONSTRUCTION ON THE HILL



Thanks to Barbers Hill's generous voters, new Intermediate Schools North and South have been constructed through Bond 2020 and will be ready for classes on August 17. Each campus will house grades 4-6.

Elementary grades Pre-K to 6 will be reorganized to accommodate growth in student enrollment and to ensure all students have optimum, age-appropriate learning environments. Pre-K students will return to the Early Childhood Center in the fall, where they will join Kindergarten students. First-graders will move to Elementary Schools North and South, based on their home's location relative to Interstate 10 (zoning boundary). Our elementary campuses will now house grades 1-3. Students in grades 4-6 will attend classes in the new Intermediate Schools North and South, while Middle Schools North and South will now welcome grades 7-8. BHHS will continue to house all students grades 9-12.



Construction of Intermediate School North.



Construction of Intermediate School South.

It is the policy of Barbers Hill ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age in its employment practices as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

**BACK TO
SCHOOL**
August 17th



Online Registration Dates

July 20-28
New Students

August 1-12
Returning Students

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LOCAL POSTAL CUSTOMER

Congratulations Class of 2022 Top 10!

Left to right bottom row: Caleb Parker (3), Lawson Cavarretta (Salutatorian), Khushi Patel (Valedictorian), Colter Thomas (10),
Middle row: Kristopher Threadgill (7), Dakota Jackson (9), Colby Stone (8),
Top row: Grace Mathis (4), Sydne Gregory (5), Garret Hagler (6)

