



a look back at January 2020

Tomball *talk*

Tomball ISD ... not just a district, a destination.



Tomball Talk

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WHAT IS Tomball Talk?

Tomball Talk is a monthly eNewsletter for Tomball ISD. Each issue will highlight the previous month's top headlines as well as awards, events and accomplishments.

SUBMIT IDEAS / NOMINATE

Email
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to submit ideas or to nominate an individual for a feature in next month's *Tomball Talk* by February 15.



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GET TO KNOW **TOMBALL ISD**

NOT JUST A DISTRICT, A DESTINATION



Dr. Martha Salazar-Zamora
Superintendent of Schools

3rd Year as Superintendent
6th Year Overall in TISD

OUR LEADER + EXECUTIVE TEAM

Dr. Amy Schindewolf
Chief Academic Officer

Jim Ross
Chief Financial Officer

Jeff McCanna
Chief of Human Talent

Dr. Steven Gutierrez
Chief Operating Officer

Dr. Valerie Petrzeka
Assistant Superintendent
Elementary Schools

Dr. Rick Fernandez
Assistant Superintendent
Secondary Schools

Dr. Michael Webb
Assistant Superintendent
Student Support

Nefertari Mundy
Assistant Superintendent
Strategic Initiatives

Mark White
Assistant Superintendent
Accountability & Governmental Relations

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tomball ISD is governed by an elected seven-member board. School Board members are guardians of the public trust and, through the policies they make, are ultimately responsible for the success or failure of local public education. The board serves as the advocate for educational excellence for the community's youth and puts those interests first. The policies school boards make dictate the standards and philosophy by which schools are run and the criteria used to judge whether they are being run well.



Michael Pratt
President
Position 2



Matt Schiel
Vice President
Position 5



Kathy Handler
Secretary
Position 1



Lee McLeod
Assistant Secretary
Position 7



Mark Lewandowski
Trustee
Position 4



John E. McStravick
Trustee
Position 3



Justin Unser
Trustee
Position 6



ABOUT US

Tomball Independent School District is a highly regarded public school system with a reputation for excellence. It serves over 18,000 students in grades pre-kindergarten through 12 across 20 campuses.

Tomball ISD takes pride in its progressive instructional programs and maintains a strong foundation of guiding principles, beliefs, and a visionary mission of the future.

Tomball ISD encompasses 83 square miles in northwest Harris County and southwest Montgomery County, and is located 30 miles from downtown Houston.

Tomball and its school district are unique because of their heritage, traditions, and hometown appeal. Parents choose Tomball ISD because of the district’s unwavering commitment to high student achievement characterized by quality instruction, equality of opportunities and resources, demonstrated results, strong parental involvement and community support. In Tomball ISD, we believe our students are leading in “Creating the Future!”

VISION

Tomball ISD students will lead in creating the future.

MISSION

Tomball ISD educates students to become responsible, productive citizens by providing innovative, individually rigorous, and personally valuable educational experiences.

GOALS

1. Tomball ISD will develop, continuously enhance and utilize rigorous college, career, and life ready curriculum that is responsive to the needs of individual learners.
2. Tomball ISD will provide multiple sources of high quality academic content that infuses technology in learning experiences and instruction.
3. Tomball ISD will attract, develop and retain high quality staff through a well –defined, personally valuable professional development plan and support structure.
4. Tomball ISD will foster a culture of caring and compassionate educators to provide a supportive learning environment.
5. Tomball ISD will promote academic success by engaging students through real world experiences while cultivating independent thinking and creative problem solving.
6. Tomball ISD will prepare our graduates to succeed in the college/career path of their choice.
7. Tomball ISD will promote an emotionally and physically safe and secure learning environment.
8. Tomball ISD will be fiscally responsible while meeting the educational and facility needs of the students.
9. Tomball ISD will inspire students to develop and exhibit character traits that are reflective of community standards.
10. Tomball ISD will actively engage and involve parents and the community.

WHY TOMBALL?



**BACK-TO-BACK
HIGHEST
RATED
SCHOOL
DISTRICT**
in NW Harris County



18,000+
STUDENT ENROLLMENT



20
CAMPUSES



TAX RATE: \$1.29



25
CTE PATHWAYS



RANKED #1
FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY
BY TXSMARTSCHOOLS



6.4% GROWTH
IN STUDENT POPULATION



REPUTATION OF EXCELLENCE

INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATIONS

HIGHLY RATED

OUTSTANDING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

SMALLER SCHOOL COMMUNITY

ENGAGED FAMILIES

A DESTINATION

DISTRICT OF INNOVATION

STATE-OF-THE-ART STADIUM COMING SOON



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TOMBALL ISD NAMED A 'BEST DISTRICT IN TEXAS' BY NICHE

Tomball ISD was one of just four Houston-area school districts named to Niche's 'Top School Districts in Texas' list.

TISD was also tabbed one of the area's 'Safest School Districts', coming in at No. 3 on that list.

[READ MORE](#)



TCES TEACHER CHARLES BARNHOUSE HONORED WITH RED APPLE AWARD

Timber Creek Elementary teacher Charles Barnhouse was nominated by a parent and student for the Red Apple Award, presented by KHOU Channel 11 and Ashley Homestore for his excellence in teaching. He was presented the award live on KHOU's Great Day Houston morning show and received a \$250 Ashley Homestore credit for himself and a \$2,500 credit for upgrades to TCES' teacher lounge.

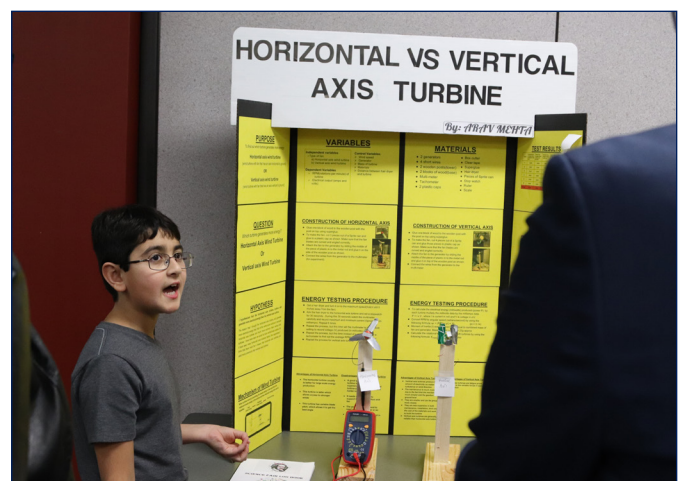


TOMBALL ISD DISTRICT SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Many of Tomball ISD's bright young students participated in the district's annual Science Fair.

Across the district, students represented their campus and competed in grade-level categories.

[WINNERS LIST](#)



SOCIAL EMOTIONAL

EVERFI IN TOMBALL EDUCATION FOR THE REAL WORLD.

EVERFI leverages partnerships with A-List celebrities, the NFL, NHL and MLB to bring educational programs to schools at **no cost**. Their digital platform addresses critical life skills through a platform that utilizes scalability, activation and multi-medium storytelling. **Tomball ISD campuses have access to the EVERFI** catalog that includes SEL, financial literacy and digital citizenship content and topics like entrepreneurship, STEM exploration, and health & wellness.

The EVERFI logo is displayed in white, uppercase letters on a solid orange rectangular background.

In addition to interactive digital resources aligned to state standards, educators also receive:



Real time reporting to see students' baseline knowledge and growth



Lesson plans and discussion questions



Access to EVERFI's ever-growing library of digital curriculum



Student scholarship opportunities



Personalized support from a local School Implementation Manager

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EVERFI helps schools and educators prepare their students to be successful in the real world.

EVERFI modules can be assigned as an alternative to suspension or as part of a class.

LEARN MORE ABOUT EVERFI

#SCHOOLBOARDMONTH



Thank you

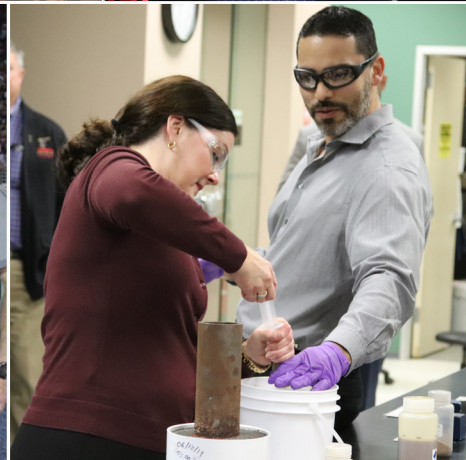
JANUARY: SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH

WE RECOGNIZE OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THEIR
COMMITMENT TO OUR DESTINATION DISTRICT AND THANK
THEM FOR COLLECTIVELY WORKING WITH TOMBALL ISD TO
“LAUNCH THE NEXT GENERATION.”

MICHAEL J. PRATT • MATT SCHIEL • KATHY HANDLER
LEE MCLEOD • JOHN E. MCSTRAVICK
MARK LEWANDOWSKI • JUSTIN UNSER

WATCH VIDEO TO HONOR OUR SCHOOL BOARD

#SCHOOLBOARDMONTH



TOP TEACHER TWEETS



haley galyean @haley_galyean · 1h
So neat to be at home and be able to see @Mickeythr honored for being such an amazing teacher! Congratulations!! 🥳 @m_salazarzamora @TISDTCES #TeamTomball #DestinationExcellence



Brandyne Finney @FinneyBrandyne · 3h
Enjoyed the privilege of learning from a great @SolutionTree panel at the RTI at Work institute with some awesome @TISDDPES teachers!! Thank you @TISD_PD and @TomballISD for supporting this opportunity!



Meredith Trunk @MrsTrunkCPES · Jan 24
And the book club from last week is continuing strongly! I am so excited when there is time in our schedule for partner reading. I'm seeing TONS of connections being made. ❤️



Amy Green @Amy_GreenTHS · Jan 24
Amazing time seeing my baby girl here at the FFA show at @TISDTHS! These FFA students are showing our kids an amazing time with amazing heart! Thank you @TomballFFA!! You ARE being the #prideoftexas #eleVate



kamie west @WestKamie · Jan 25
THS BPA rocked it at the regional conference at Davis HS! Lots of bling, teamwork, and memories made today! @TISD_CTE @TISDTHS



Alvina Dominguez @ADominguezTISD · Jan 10
Having a blast @Region4ESC Campus Testing Coordinator Academy! @kerriashlock @lpwally @TISD_NIS_AP #R4CTC @TomballISD #DestinationExcellence



TOP TEACHER TWEETS



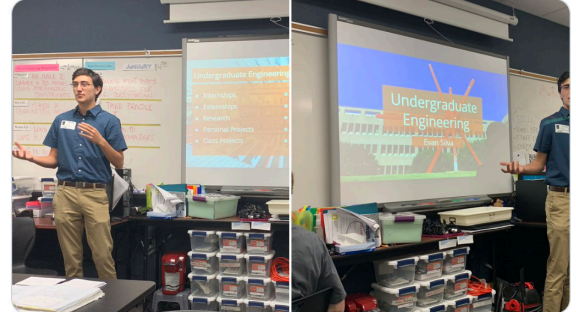
Sarah Cato @SarahCato_OIS · 35m

Part 1 of our CBI was a success! We learned about different jobs, generalized our skills and completed a snack time scavenger hunt at our local @HEB! #thehappiestdistrictonearth #theoakcrestexperience @TISDOIS @TStudentsupport



TMHS Engineering @PLTW_TMHS · Jan 14

TMHS graduate Evan Silva talks about the amazing post high school engineering opportunities in college. As a freshman he is working with NASA, doing innovative research, design challenges, networking, and generally taking the world by storm. @TISDTMHS



Mrs. Gonzalez@WES @WES_MrsGonzalez · Jan 16

Welcome Ms. Britta Merwin to Wildwood! 100% chance of science fun! @TISDWES @KPRC2



Jesse Javillonar @THS_libraryyy · Jan 14

THS Library is an escape room today! We are working on MLA format and citing...our students are becoming experts while getting super competitive. Thanks @DaringEnglish for an activity that make this sometimes difficult topic so engaging and fun! @TISDTHS @TISD_Libraries



Stacia Seagroves @StaciaSeagroves · Jan 15

It was like Christmas morning when our delivery arrived! The kids are so excited! Thank you @TEF_TomballISD!



James Herwig @James_Herwig · Jan 11

I am so impressed with the LES robotics team! Only their 2nd year competing. Way to go! Congratulations to the kiddos and coaches! Way to represent TISD and Lakewood! @LES_Librarian @kristi_donald @TISDLES1 @TISD_AdvAcad



DESTINATION EXCELLENCE

TISD HUMAN TALENT HONORS JANICE TADLOCK

Janice Tadlock is a Tomball ISD veteran employee, serving 30 years in the district in a variety of roles. She currently serves as Superintendent Dr. Salazar-Zamora's executive assistant in Central Office.

TISD's Human Talent department and Dr. Z honored Janice with a Most Valuable Veteran Award in early January for her passion and commitment to Tomball ISD.



TSA STUDENT NOMINATED FOR THE CONGRESS OF FUTURE MEDICAL LEADERS

Tomball Star Academy's Harlie Wilcox-Cullever, has been named a Delegate to the Congress of Future Medical Leaders and will attend this honors program in Lowell, MA on June 24-26, 2020.

[READ MORE](#)

MICHELE PATTON WINS LOGO DESIGN CONTEST

Congratulations to Michele Patton, Executive Assistant to our Chief Financial Officer, on winning the Tomball Innovation Lab logo design contest.

LSC-Tomball held a celebration to officially open the Innovation Lab doors to the community. Michele was honored with the unveiling of her logo.

Tomball Innovation Lab is located inside the LSC-Tomball library and is open to the public.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

MATT SCHIEL | THS, '94 Tomball ISD Board of Trustees

It's community members like Matt Schiel who have helped elevate the success of Tomball ISD over the years and who really understand what being a resident of Tomball truly means.

He joined the Tomball ISD School Board in 2016 but his connection to Tomball dates back well over 150 years when his family migrated to the area.

For a kid who grew up in Tomball, Schiel has seen growth surrounding the area but knows that despite all the growth, a sense of belonging and acceptance within the community still occurs to this day.

"I don't know any place other than Tomball. I feel like we do a good job of making it feel like a small town. Everyone still treats Tomball as if it hasn't changed and that's nice," he said.



He was a 1994 graduate of Tomball High School and really excelled in agriculture with his love of FFA. Following his high school career, Schiel left Tomball briefly to pursue a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science from LSU.

It was at LSU that he met his wife Summer and the two quickly returned to Tomball and still to this day, live on family land that his ancestors settled on. The couple has three boys who all attend TISD schools.

When asked about raising his children in the place he was raised, Schiel mentioned, "the connections and roots you build and have here are invaluable. We have a great support network of people that surround us and there are always friends looking out for each other's kids."

A true representation of a Tomball native, Schiel began volunteering in TISD long before his children walked into school. He has always been an active volunteer and supporter of FFA, but once his children began school, he started serving TISD through PTO, Watch Dogs, Leadership Tomball, and various extra-curricular clubs and activities.

He is actively involved in the School Board, Boy Scout Troop 113, Magnolia 4-H, Tomball FFA & Tomball Athletic Booster Club. "It was always instilled in me to pursue community service work and give back what was given to me," he remembers.

Schiel is deeply-rooted in this community and knew he could serve as a voice to the residents of Tomball by serving on the School Board when an open position came available in 2016.

"I felt like I had a skillset that was valuable and that I could contribute to the overall team. Ultimately, my responsibility is to serve our parents, kids, teachers of the school district and be a voice for them."

But for Schiel, it really is all about the kids.

"My entire family has gone through this school system and found a successful path. As a father now, I have time to give and I wanted to use this time to give back to kids. Most of the things our family does already is for our kids through various activities, so serving TISD is just one more avenue that I can serve that's for the kids and for the betterment of the entire community. I really enjoy doing this."

Schiel plays an integral role in developing the future and vision for Tomball ISD as the current Vice President of the Board of Trustees. You will find Schiel and his family immersed in all that Tomball offers from the FFA Project Show to football games and celebratory community events.

When asked, what's the most rewarding part of being on the School Board, he didn't hesitate one bit.

"It has to be when we implement new programs into the district and the students and parents are really appreciative of the work. It is always rewarding to see a small idea turn into something great and new for Tomball ISD."

Aside from his community involvement, Schiel works as a Commercial Appraiser in the community.

"I actually quit an old job due to the new laws associated with HB2 to stay on the School Board. That is how committed I am to serving this district and being a representation of this community," Schiel said.

For Schiel, passion for family and love for his community is evident and Tomball is fortunate to have a resident that understands the values that this town so truly represents.

"You have a lot of opportunities to be successful in Tomball but you have to remember to embrace the cultures, experience what this place has to offer and value the people. It was a great place to grow up, raise my family and now provides me an opportunity to give back, which I very much appreciate."

NEW ACADEMY



Tomball ISD

Academy of Energy and
International Business

The Tomball ISD Academy of Energy and International Business will become the first on-site learning opportunity of its kind implemented in the State of Texas and just the second in the nation.

The goal of the Tomball ISD Academy of Energy and International Business is to provide rigorous, job-embedded programs of study coupled with an on-site corporate partnership that enhances the learning outcomes for students.



Where is the Academy?

BJ Services

11211 FM 2920

Tomball, TX 77375

CLICK: PODCAST
BY TAMU'S MAYS MASTERCAST

CLICK: MORE INFO
FAQ / APPLICATION

VISION

Tomball ISD will serve as a premier district of choice, expanding student access to future-ready skill development within a unique on-site industry partnership.

MISSION

The mission of the Tomball ISD Academy of Energy and International Business is for students to explore their talents within a global career path and apply newly acquired skills alongside our industry partners at BJ Services.

NEW ACADEMY



AVAILABLE TO?

This program is available to incoming ninth-grade students at THS and TMHS during the 2020-2021 school year.

ACADEMY OVERVIEW

Opens Fall of 2020

Two Programs of Study:

- Energy
- International Business

3 courses each day during 9th-grade

- Academy Class
 - English I
 - Biology

OPPORTUNITIES

- On site professional collaboration with leaders in the energy sector
- State-of-the-art labs and facilities
- Innovative & integrated instruction
- Exposure to top 3 business languages: English, Spanish, Mandarin Chinese
 - Industry Certifications
- Job shadowing, mentorships and internships



Important Dates to remember

February 2, 2020

Application window closes

February 8, 2020:

Admissions interviews

EARLY EXCELLENCE ACADEMY



*Early
Excellence
Academy*



TOMBALL ISD



Where education begins **Early**

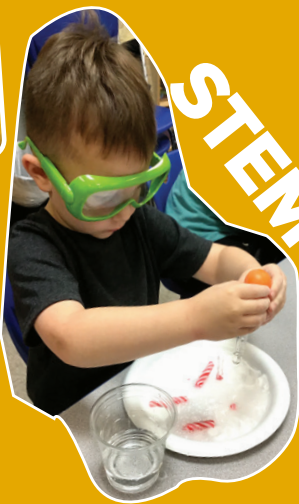


*Social &
Emotional*



Motor

Language



STEM



Literacy



Megan Parker
Director

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@TISDEarly

BEHIND THE SCENES HERO

DANA VESTAL

TOMBALL ELEMENTARY NURSE, RN CMSRN NCSN
LEAD NURSE FOR TISD HEALTH SERVICES

Dana currently serves as the school nurse at Tomball Elementary and a lead nurse for TISD Health Services. She joined Tomball ISD in 2015 from Memorial Hermann where she still assists on the weekends and holidays during the school year.

Her main responsibility as school nurse is to support the students, staff and families of TISD. "I usually tell my teachers, I am in charge of making sure students are healthy enough to be at school and learn."



Outside of work, Dana enjoys spending time with her family, going to the movies and listening to True Crime podcasts.

When asked why she loves working for Tomball ISD ...

"I love the sense of community in Tomball ISD. Everyone is family and is willing to go above and beyond for our students and staff!"

JOHN CRAGER

TOMBALL ISD TECHNOLOGY SERVICES
COMPUTER TECHNICIAN

John Crager joined TISD a year ago and serves as a computer technician in the Technology Services Department. He oversees technology needs for Central Office, Decker Prairie Elementary, Rosehill Elementary, Connections Academy and Special Services.

Prior to joining TISD, John held the same role in Lufkin ISD for just over six years.



His family means everything to him and when away from work, he loves spending time with them. "One of the biggest reasons I joined the education world was to have the opportunity to spend time with my family."

When asked why he loves working for Tomball ISD ...

"I love the positive attitude that is everywhere you go. From Central Office to the classrooms and everything in between, everyone seems to be happy and loving what they do for these kids. The love of children is definitely shown in this district."

NEW LEADERS

GRAND OAKS ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL



NIESA GLENWINKEL

Niesa Glenewinkel has been named the new Principal at Grand Oaks Elementary, the district's 11th elementary school set to open in August 2020.

Glenewinkel is a Tomball ISD veteran with 19 years in education having served the Tomball ISD in a variety of roles since 1992.

During her career, she has been a Principal for 10 years at two TISD schools, including her current role as Principal at Creekview Elementary since 2017.

Along with leading a campus, Glenewinkel brings extensive experience as a program specialist and teacher.

DEAN OF INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS - AEIB



NATALIE PRIWER

Natalie Priwer has been named the Dean of Innovative Programs and will oversee all aspects of the Academy of Energy and International Business.

Priwer has been an Assistant Principal at Tomball Memorial High School since 2018. She has served education for over 10 years in several roles, beginning as an upper level mathematics teacher, before moving into a Math Skills Specialist role and eventually becoming an Assistant Principal in 2015 in a neighboring district.

She has led nine Linked Learning campuses through a collaborative, project-based learning approach that provided rigorous academics with real-world experiences.

CREEKVIEW ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL



DR. BIANCA SHAUGHNESSY

Dr. Bianca Shaughnessy has been named the new incoming Principal at Creekview Elementary and will begin that role at the conclusion of the 2019-2020 school year.

She has been a valuable asset to Tomball ISD, stepping in as Interim Principal at Wildwood Elementary this year, and prior to that, serving as Principal at Tomball Intermediate for two years (2017-2019).

Dr. Shaughnessy joined TISD in 2017 from Galena Park ISD where she was an elementary school Principal, Assistant Principal and classroom teacher.

She brings to this new role over 16 years of invaluable experience in education.

FFA PROJECT SHOW

RABBITS

Grand Champion

Grace Williams, Tomball Memorial HS, \$4,000

Reserve Champion

Courtney Burch, Tomball Memorial HS, \$2,000

BROILERS

Grand Champion

Weldon Kujath, Tomball HS, \$5,000

Reserve Champion

Rachel Maciekeski, Tomball HS, \$6,000

TURKEYS

Grand Champion

Kelsie Vann, Tomball HS, \$5,000

Reserve Champion

Kyle Frank, Tomball HS, \$3,000

GOATS

Grand Champion

Anna Reed, Tomball HS, \$5,000

Reserve Champion

Elizabeth Breau, Tomball HS, \$6,000

LAMB

Grand Champion

Anna Reed, Tomball HS, \$5,000

Reserve Champion

Isabelle McCarthy, Tomball Memorial HS, \$3,000

SWINE

Grand Champion

Max McEachern, Tomball HS, \$7,000

Reserve Champion

William Harl, Tomball Memorial HS, \$4,000

STEER

Grand Champion

Chayn Foster, Tomball Memorial HS, \$16,000

Reserve Champion

Cham Walker, Tomball HS, \$12,000

SHOWMAN CHAMPIONS

GOAT - Anna Reed, Tomball HS

LAMB - Ashlyn Daniell, Tomball Memorial HS

SWINE - Rachel Maciejeski, Tomball HS

STEER - Brandon Traw, Tomball Memorial HS



SOCIAL #SHOUTOUT



Oakcrest Intermediate @TISDOIS · Jan 19

OIS Robotics Club participated in the First LEGO League on Saturday under Coaches Mr. Anderson and Mrs. Vazquez. Those smiles say it all!!!
@cyclinganderson @marleneavazquez @TomballISD



Kevin Williams @TMHS_MrWilliams · 1h

Proud Dad moment when your daughter wins Grand Champion Rabbits at the 2020 TISD Project Show #6Tenets #NavyEmpire



Tomball Star Academy @TISDTSA · Jan 8

Started the first day of 2020 with a little team building and healthy competition. Bragging rights and 1st place in the Inaugural TSA Semester Kick Off Relay goes to Mr. Nelson's PCC! Coming in a close 2nd was Coach Ling's PCC! #WingsUp



Tomball Memorial High School @TISDTMHS · 20h

Congratulations to our Silver Stars Officers for receiving Overall Grand Champion Officers yesterday at Friendswood High School.



Tomball Swimming @TomballSwimming · Jan 25

Great swims today by our kids at the Varsity district meet. Our divers helped represent by putting points on the board in both girls and boys teams. 1 new school record, 6 region bound relays, and individual qualifiers. @TISD_athletics @TISDTHS

| TEAM SCORES | | | 3:28 | MEET HOME |
|---|---------------------------|-----|------|-----------|
| 2020 UIL Varsity Swim & Dive Championship | | | | |
| Men | | | | |
| Team Scores | | | | |
| RANK 1 | Magnolia High School | 211 | | |
| | MAGN | | | |
| RANK 2 | Montgomery | 113 | | |
| | MONT | | | |
| RANK 3 | Magnolia West High School | 67 | | |
| | MAWE | | | |
| RANK 4 | Tomball H.S. | 57 | | |
| | TOMB | | | |
| RANK 5 | Willis Wildcats | 42 | | |
| | WILL | | | |
| RANK | Lake Creek High School | | | |



TJHS Library @tjhslibrary_ · Jan 24

GREAT day in the library! Students are having a blast learning and exploring the makerspaces!
#liblovetomball #tjhsmakersgonnamake #readconnectdiscovercreate
instagram.com/p/B7tmngkjaue/...



SOCIAL #SHOUTOUT



Coach Almanza @TMHS_SWIMMING · Jan 25
21 regional qualifiers!



Jeff McCanna @jeff_mccanna · Jan 24
@TISDTJHS Assistant Principal @Grantquist is just clowning around this morning at the @TomballISD Special Rodeo! ❤️ This!!



T3 7312 @frc7312 · Jan 26
We had a very productive Saturday volunteering at the Creekside Chili Cookoff and working hard at the woodshop as we continue to build and design our robot around the clock! @TomballISD @FIRSTtweets #OMGrobots #INFINITERECHARGE #FIRSTRobotics #RoboCoogs



Tomball ISD Advanced Academics @TISD_AdvAcad · 18h
Robotics fun with force analysis planning before we build our robotic structures! @TISDDPES 🍷 #DestinationExcellence @TomballISD @teachagiftedkid



Tomball High School @TISDTHS · 9m
Outstanding students!!



Mark Vierkant @THS_Mr_Vierkant · 52m
Congratulations to Kaitlyn Cole and Marcus Glass as the THS Rotary Students of the Month!! @TISDTHS



TMHSCollegeandcareer @TMHSCCC · Jan 6
Congrats to Palmer Jones for winning the Posse full ride scholarship to Bryn Mawr College! She was one of 60 scholarship recipients chosen from over 1,200 applicants across Houston. @TomballISD @DrMetz_TMHS



DUAL LANGUAGE

Two Way Dual Language Academy

Bilingual • Biliterate • Bicultural



What is the Two-Way Dual Language Academy?

The Tomball ISD Two-Way Dual Language Academy (TWDL) is a biliteracy program model that integrates native English speakers and native Spanish speakers. Students will receive instruction in both languages through the core content areas of Math, Language Arts, Science and Social Studies.



Where is the Academy?

Rosehill Elementary*
17950 Waller Tomball Rd.
Tomball, TX 77377



When are the Parent Meetings?

Tuesday, February 25, 2020 from 5:30 - 6:30 PM
Thursday, February 27, 2020 from 5:30 - 6:30 PM
Monday, March 2, 2020 from 5:30 - 6:30 PM



PARENT MEETINGS

Parents of incoming kindergarten students must attend one of the parent informational nights before applying for the Tomball ISD Two-Way Dual Language Academy. Applications will be available beginning March 2 for the 2020-2021 school year and will be due by 3:30 p.m. on March 27, 2020.

All Parent Meetings are at Rosehill Elementary.



Who can Attend?

This program is available to any incoming kindergarten students during the 2020-2021 school year across Tomball ISD (5 years old on or before September 1, 2020).

www.tomballisd.net/TWDL/

* The TWDL Academy is also available to incoming kindergarten students living outside TISD boundaries, pending application approval.

PEACHJAR PARTNERSHIP



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DIGITAL FLYER DELIVERY STARTS FEBRUARY 11, 2020

Tomball ISD is proud to offer Peachjar, an innovative flyer management system that sends school-approved digital flyers directly to parents' inboxes! This "green" initiative will save our schools tons of paper and reduce copy costs by thousands of dollars. Now, parents can easily find, view flyers, and take action immediately to sign up for activities and events.

For Parents: School-approved digital flyers will be sent to your email inbox where you can easily click to sign up for events and program

No action is required to begin receiving this communication from your school. You'll receive a welcome email from Peachjar that includes a username and password. You don't need to log in to receive or view school flyers, but you can log in to adjust your delivery preferences.

To ensure you don't miss notifications, we suggest you add school@peachjar.com to your email contacts and click "always display images" when you receive your first email.

This system is used exclusively for the distribution of school-approved flyers only. Your email address will not be shared or used for any other purpose.

For Businesses: Peachjar charges a fee for businesses utilizing this service. Organizations may register with Peachjar as a "Program Provider" and upload flyers for distribution to the desired school(s). After your flyer has been submitted, it will be routed automatically to the school district office for approval, then emailed as a visually engaging image to all parents who have their email address on file in the district.

[Learn More or for Help Uploading your Digital Flyer](#)

- All flyers **MUST** contain the following disclaimer: "This information is being distributed as a community service. Tomball Independent School District is not a sponsoring organization for this activity."
- The flyer must be for an activity for students.
- The group submitting must be identified by the IRS as a non-profit 501-C(3) organization via Peachjar portal.
- The material on the flyer must be age and/or developmentally appropriate for students.
- No fundraising flyers are allowed.

CONNECTED PODCAST



ConnectED Podcast with Dr. Z

features special guests in a monthly episode that provides valuable insight into Tomball ISD and how it's defining excellence in education and connecting with the community.

CLICK TO LISTEN TO
EPISODE 5

Office DEPOT
Taking Care of Business

Canyon Pointe's intentional focus on the PLC process landed them the distinction and high honor of a PLC Model School, the first in Tomball ISD. Dr. Z was joined by CPES Principal Barb Coleman and ESL teacher Renee Tristan as they reflected on their PLC journey.



LISTEN TO EPISODE 1
HUMAN TALENT

LISTEN TO EPISODE 3
TOMBALL ED FOUNDATION



LISTEN TO EPISODE 2
SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

LISTEN TO EPISODE 4
TOMBALL THROUGH TIME

ATHLETICS & FINE ARTS

Tomball High School and Tomball Memorial High School student-athletes will take part in each of the school's respective **Signing Day** on Wednesday, Feb. 5.



[Tomball High School Results + More](#)



[Tomball Memorial High School Results + More](#)

- TMHS Swimming honored 21 Regional Qualifiers, THS Swimming honored 14 Regional Qualifiers
 - THS Girls and Boys Basketball continue to compete for a playoff spot.
 - THS Girls Soccer are 8-1 and captured first place at the I-10 Shootout Tournament.

For a complete schedule of athletics events, [CLICK HERE](#).

FINE ARTS

Tomball ISD had eight students earn positions as Texas All-state musicians:

From TMHS Choir

- Nate Edwards
- Julie Chacon
- Harli Daniel
- John Baez
- Enrique Funes

From THS Band

- Peyton Icard
- Summer Bruner
- Leilani Foreman



Also, **11 students' Rodeo Art works were chosen as district winners**, to stay on display at NRG for the duration of the rodeo. Tomball ISD's Rodeo Art Show will be held on Feb. 8 at TIS from 9 a.m. to Noon.

TMHS Fine Arts Musical: **Guys and Dolls** currently showing now: Feb. 1 (3 pm & 7 pm), Feb. 3 (7 pm)

For a complete schedule of fine arts events, [CLICK HERE](#).



TOMBALL ISD
DESTINATION EXCELLENCE

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

2

Academy of Energy & International Business Applications Due

5

THS & TMHS Athletics Signing Day

8

TISD Rodeo Art Show | 9 am to Noon at TIS

10-11

Board Meetings

13 & 20

District Spelling Bee Competitions

14-17

Student Holiday / Staff Development Day

17

Early Excellence Academy Open House

**For the full events calendar, including fine arts and athletics,
[CLICK HERE.](#)**

| JULY 2019 | | | | | | |
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2019-2020 Calendar

First Day of School
August 20, 2019

Last Day of School
May 28, 2020

Staff & Student Holidays

Independence Day - July 4
Labor Day - September 2
Thanksgiving - November 25-29
Winter Break - Dec. 23-Jan. 3
Spring Break - March 9-13
Good Friday - April 10
Memorial Day - May 25

Staff Development/Workdays Student Holidays

August 6-8 (New Teacher)
August 12-16
August 19
October 14
January 6-7
January 20
February 14, 17
March 16
May 29

Early Release Days

All Schools: Oct. 11, Dec. 20, May 28

High Schools Only: Dec. 19, May 27

Make Up Days (if needed)

February 17
March 16
May 29

Reporting Periods End:

October 11
December 20
March 6
May 28

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