

THIS MONTH IN WILLIS ISD

One Team, One Purpose

May at a Glance

EARLY RELEASE / LAST DAY

Friday, May 20

School Lunch Hero Day (6)

School Nurse Day (11)

School Communicators Day (13)

Speech Pathologist Day (18)

Class of 2022 Graduation

Wed., June 1

8 pm

Cynthia Woods

Mitchell Pavilion

NEW Student Registration is open!

Visit the website for more information:

www.willisisd.org/registration.

The days are long but the years are short!

It's an oft said cliché, but it still rings true, especially in the world of education. We turn around at every corner and find ourselves at the end of one milestone staring down another. As parents, we wonder how our kids grow up so fast. In that regard, we are just like you. We start off the year teaching "babies" in whatever grade level we teach, and end up with "big kids" ready to advance to the next grade level. This year, we watch our seniors, the first group in two years to have a fully normal school year, get ready to leave WISD and start their lives. And we are proud of how resilient and supportive our students and parents have been through it all. So as we wrap up the next few weeks, let's all take time to savor the moments a little bit more. Let the laughter continue for a few more minutes. Because we know in the end that all we will have are the memories of the smiles, the laughter, the tears, and the celebrations. And that alone makes it all worth it.

Heart of a Wildkat

Carol Rodgers, Assistant to the Superintendent, was awarded the Education Foundation's Heart of a Wildkat Award. Michelle Bischof presented the award. Carol goes above and beyond each day to make everyone around her feel loved and special. She truly brightens every day!



You get a certification! Pharmacy Tech



Congratulations to our newest group of certified Pharmacy Technicians! Pictured L to R: Ian Conatser, Carolina Torres, Rachel Smith, Carla Garcia, Emily Smith, Abby McDowel, Morgan Miller, Kaitlyn Guardado, Elizabeth Aguillon, Luna Cortez, Renzo Artates, & Elio Saucedo.

And you get a certification! Certified Nursing Assistants



Congratulations to the following students for successfully passing their exams to become Certified Nursing Assistants! Pictured from L to R: Alyssa Geisbush, Natalie Loar, Baley Zabava, Taylor Turley, Ximena Balon, & Elisa Gomez

And you get a certification! American Welding Society

Sixty Willis High School students recently passed the American Welding Society (AWS) Certification through the Willis High School Career & Technology Center. This certification prepares our students for a career in a competitive industry that has rigorous industry standards. Congrats to:

Braden Bowles
Ashton Cole
Dallas Dingman
Maso Dutton
Cameron Flores
Austin Gaskins
Evan Guardado
Jesse Huff
Jacob Pena
Alex Sifuentez
Cason Smith
Turner Ward
Xavier Benitez
DeAvonte Sampson
Jeremy Brown
Kaden Forehand
Conner Quarles
Kannon Rivero
Cooper Stone

Carson Haefner
Shane Gorthy
Zachary Jennings
Holt Shugart
Josue Adame
Keyan Allen
Ricky Cervantes
Caydon Davis
Brayden House
Glenn Ivey
Kendall King
Nolan Mansel
Joshua Baldwin
Brooks Cooper
Dalton Defrance
Blake Isbell
Seth Scott
Wyatt Taylor

Dallas Ashton
Taylor Ballard
Macinn Connell
Caleb Fletcher
Weston Holcombe
Brittan Ivy
Aiden Johnston
Donald Lopez
Hunter May
Fisher Murphy
Roberto Negrete
Hunter Seay
Ian Smith
Eric Villarreal
Luis Calderon
Kayden Corley
Blazek Hasara
Alonzo Lawrence

Owen Mclean
Micheal Truitt
Dawson Killingsworth
Jacob Bynum
Caleb Sprayberry
Brandon Trainer



Montgomery County Fair

Congratulations to all the Willis ISD students who participated in the Montgomery County Fair & Rodeo this year. The students listed below are the winners from the Livestock and Non-Livestock show. View lots of pictures [HERE](#):

Acevedo Flores	Garrett Ragon	Lauren Carlson
Antone Majkszak	Gian Leone	Leighia Robles
Abigail Sommerwerck	Grace Wilder	Lily Martinez
Angel Fuerte	Gracie Clayburg	Madysen Feist
Anthony Medina	Hayes Hoegemeyer	Maggie Majkszak
Baileigh Traylor	Jacob Riley	Mallory Crippens
Bailey Strickland	Jayden Warren	Max Wolf
Brooke Carr	Jenna Dempsey	Morgan Christopher
Brooklynn Ayscue	Jennifer Gilstrap	Noah Williams
Brynn Coy	Joed Sanchez	Oliver Rodriguez
Carson Wroten	Journey Mathis	Paislie Heuermann
Carter Umphries	Kaden Mason	Palmer Holland
Carter Williams	Kadence Tucker	Remi Wolf
Chase Duvall	Kail Rose Traylor	Reygan Crippens
Chloe Thompson	Kaitlin Williams	Rilynn Tomas
Christopher Coker	Kali Hooks	Roland Brock
Corynne Lambert	Kamlynn Mason	Ruth Wieghat
Damian Huerta	Kimberly Evans	SarahBeth Cathey
Easton Long	Kinley Waldrop	Savannah Garcia
Evaristo Nabarrete	Kroix Cox	Sophie Aguirre
	Landon LeBlanc	Tyce Imhoff



Mazlyn Heyer, a junior at Willis High School, has overcome a lot since her stroke in class 14 months ago. She was featured in a story on KHOU 11 News. We are so happy she is back, playing softball, and enjoying life.

Click [HERE](#) to view KHOU news video



DISTRICT AWARDS



Charlotte Wood
Parmley
Elementary
Teacher of the Year



Brandy King, WHS Secondary Teacher of the Year
Tricia Neumann, WHS Counselor of the Year

Congratulations



Bonnie Ziegelt
Cannan Elementary
Paraprofessional of the Year



Jennett Reyes-Garcia
Lynn Lucas Middle School
Paraprofessional of the Year

New WHS Principal



Willis ISD is proud to announce the hiring of Chad Smith as principal of Willis High School for the 2022-23 school year. Smith has 24 years of service in public education, with 19 years in administration as both an assistant principal and principal at the elementary, junior high, and high school levels. Most recently he served as a central office administrator in Tomball ISD.

While principal at Tomball Memorial the campus was recognized by US News & World Report as one of the top-performing schools in the Houston area.

During the committee interview process, it was apparent that Smith's leadership style is focused on developing positive relationships with staff and students, while maintaining a disciplined campus.

"I believe in pushing students academically to be prepared for college or the trade industry," said Smith. "Education is the key to the success of our society and I am blessed each day to work with students to impact their future. Word on the street is that Willis is the place to be."

Smith holds a bachelor's and master's degree from Stephen F. Austin State University and is currently completing his doctoral work through Sam Houston State University. Smith has been married for 17 years to his wife Emily and they have twin boys Parker and Peyton, who are entering seventh grade next year.



Game 1: 6:30 pm Friday at Shelly Field
Game 2: 12 pm Saturday at Cy Ranch
Game 3: Follows game 2 if needed

Wildkats vs Cy Ranch

ONE TEAM -
ONE PURPOSE

IT'S PLAYOFF WEEK

BE LOUD - BE PROUD



THURSDAY, MAY 5TH, 5 PM -7 PM

PLAYOFF SHIRT SALES

@ WHS GYM SIDE - SHIRTS \$15

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST



FRIDAY, MAY 6TH, 3:30 PM

TEAM SEND OFF

@ WHS BASEBALL FIELDS

SHOW SUPPORT - WILLIS PROUD

FRIDAY, MAY 6TH, 7 PM

PLAYOFF GAME VS MACARTHUR

@ ELLIOT LANSFORD BASEBALL FIELD

HELP US PACK THE STANDS



CLICK TO PURCHASE TICKETS

MacArthur Generals Baseball

MacArthur vs Willis Baseball
Friday, May 6th at 7:00 PM

ELLIOTT LANSFORD FIELD

1865 ALDINE BENDER RD., HOUSTON TX 77032

MAY

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GET TICKETS

Event Policy: Mask required!!!! Clear bag policy enforced
No re-entry, No refund!!! No Outside Food!!!!

Mask required at all times unless eating or drinking

To protect yourself and others please practice social distancing

No outside food or drinks allowed

Tickets Sold ONLINE ONLY!!!!

No Re-Entry

Peachjar

Follow us on Peachjar to make sure you don't miss out on important notices from our school, PTO, and other organizations such as sports and Boy and Girl Scouts.

This is especially true for the summer months!

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K-12 ANONYMOUS ALERTS

Anonymous Alerts® allows students or parents to quickly, easily, and anonymously report urgent information to school officials across all of our school campuses. Students or parents can report bullying, depression, illegal substances and other sensitive topics through private messages to our administration. The mobile app and Web-based reporting system provides secure 1-way or 2-way encrypted messages. All reports remain completely anonymous, although submitters have the option to reveal their identity if they prefer to have a person-to-person discussion. The reporting system is available online [HERE](#) or click on the graphic below to download the Anonymous Alerts app.

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