

THIS WEEK IN WILLIS ISD

One Team, One Purpose

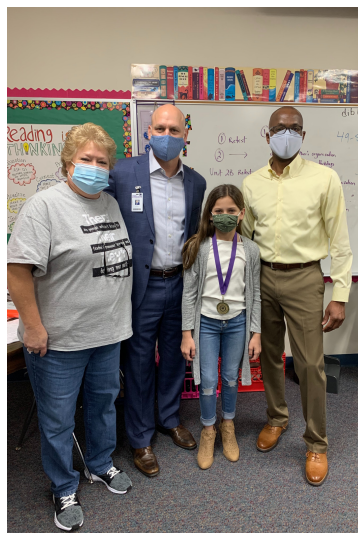
November Students of the Month

**Emmanuel Hernandez, Cannan Elementary
Ms. Ritchie and Ms. Loera's Class 2nd Grade**



"Emmanuel consistently shows great manners and great responsibility in the classroom. He demonstrates knowledge of technology as well. When he sees a student struggling with logging in to Canvas or the Chromebook he is always willing to help. Emmanuel is very respectful and is a straight A student as well."

**Lauren Stafford, Brabham Middle School,
Ms. Akin's Homeroom, 6th Grade**



"Lauren has a smile on her face every morning. She is eager to learn, and she always asks if she can help. Whether she is passing out papers or wiping down desks, she is happy. She is always willing to help students around her with absent work or computer issues. She is a ray of sunshine in my first-period class."

IMPORTANT DATES

12/10 - Football Playoffs
12/11 - Early Release
12/15 - Winter Choir Show
and
GT Information Meeting
(more details in this issue)
12/17 - Early Release

Dec. 18 - Jan. 4
Christmas Break

Return to School: Jan. 5, 2021

Canvas Parent Training Videos

If you were not able to attend our Canvas Parent Training Nights, we have created a series of videos on each topic that was discussed. In order to access the videos, please follow the link below to complete a short form. Once the form is completed, you will receive an email with a link to access the Canvas videos.

<https://bit.ly/WISDform>

AFJROTC Change of Command Ceremony

On Monday, December 7, 2020, the Willis HS AFJROTC cadets said thanks to their outgoing cadet corps commander, Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Olivia Bell and welcome to their new cadet corps commander, Cadet Major Hope Flores. In the Change of Command Ceremony, the unit flag was passed from Cadet Bell to Colonel Jefferson who in-turn passed it to Cadet Flores.

This time-honored military tradition is a symbolic representation and visual assurance of continuity of command. The presiding officer, Colonel Vince Jefferson, also presented Cadet Bell with the Superior Performance ribbon for meritorious service rendered for the cadet corps from 25 May 2020 to 7 December 2020. Additionally, Cadet Bell was promoted to Cadet Colonel and Cadet Flores to Cadet Lieutenant Colonel.

In his brief comments, Colonel Jefferson acknowledged the significance of the date, 7 December, and asked everyone to pause in remembrance of those who made the ultimate sacrifice at Pearl Harbor 79 years ago.



EARLY RELEASE

FRIDAY, DEC. 11

EARLY RELEASE SCHOOL HOURS

PRE-K (AM-8:15-10:35) (PM-11:35-1:55)

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: 8:25AM - 2:10PM

MIDDLE SCHOOLS: 7:30AM - 1:20PM

HIGH SCHOOL: 7:20AM - 1:05PM



Click on
the picture
at left to
access the
Live Feed
on Dec. 15
at 7 pm.

*Winter
Choir Concert*

DECEMBER 15, 7PM

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, WHS

FREE ADMISSION

MASK AND SOCIAL
DISTANCING REQUIRED

Watch Facebook Live at: <https://fb.me/e/1k3bxPVX8>

NEW!

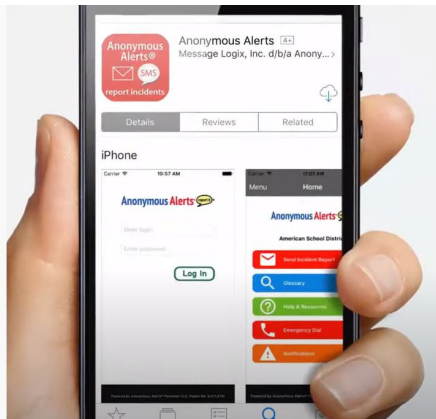
Anonymous Reporting System - Anonymous Alerts

Willis ISD is excited to introduce a new communications tool called 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. This program will take the place of the former phone number system, and is available to all students and parents grades K-12.

We believe that the best way to address problems that our students face in school is personal contact with a teacher, school administrator, psychologist or counselor and we strongly encourage and fully support that continued practice. However, we do know that sometimes there is a concern that a student or parent may want to communicate anonymously.

How do I place an incident report from Internet connected computers/tablets?

- 1) Go to <https://report.anonymousalerts.com/willisid>.
- 2) Or, go to willisid.org and click on the web button.
Fill out your incident report.



How do I place a report from an iPhone or Android phone?

- 1) Download the app: From the iPhone Store, download the free app by searching for "Anonymous Alerts". If you have an Android phone, go to the Play Store, search for "Anonymous Alerts" and download. The app button is red with white writing. (The app will be pushed out to all Willis ISD issued devices such as Chromebooks and iPads).

- 2) After downloading the app, click on it and enter activation code: willisid

- 3) Watch an informative video about the app here: <https://youtu.be/oNuAsg-qlrU>

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 program should only be used for serious and urgent matters. If a situation is imminently life threatening, it is imperative to call 911.

At Willis ISD, our number one priority is the safety of our students. We encourage students and parents to utilize the system as needed to enhance the safety and wellbeing of their child and other students.