

WE SOAR! TOGETHER

Welcome

EAGLE AMBASSADORS



#TogetherWeSoar!



Eagle Ambassadors – *The Inaugural Class*
September 20, 2023

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Dr. Courtney Carpenter

Superintendent of Schools



Our Purpose & Call to Action

*At its heart, the Eagle Ambassador Program aims to build a **well-informed** school community that **cultivates open dialogue** and **collaboration**.*

*Through this program, we **aim** to create **ambassadors** that serve as a **conduit** to the **entire community of stakeholders** within Argyle ISD.*



Agenda for the Day

- Introductions ~ *District Leadership & Board of Trustees*
- Roll Call in the Room
- Just the Facts
- Points of Pride
- Argyle ISD: Overview as an Organization
 - Learner & Special Services
 - Financial & Operational Services
 - Staff & Student Services
 - Community & Engagement Services
- Reflection & Share-Outs



Argyle ISD

Leadership Team Introductions



Argyle ISD
Board of Trustees



Sam Slaton
Board President



Craig Hawkesworth
Board Vice President



Matt Slaton
Board Secretary



Dr. Leona McDade
Board Trustee



Ritchie Deffenbaugh
Board Trustee



Josh Westrom
Board Trustee



Leigh Ann Artho
Board Trustee



Eagle Ambassador Roll Call

In 30 seconds or less...

- *Share Your Name*
- *Share if you have Eagles in the District*
- *Share how long you've lived in Argyle ISD*



Argyle ISD: *Just the Facts*



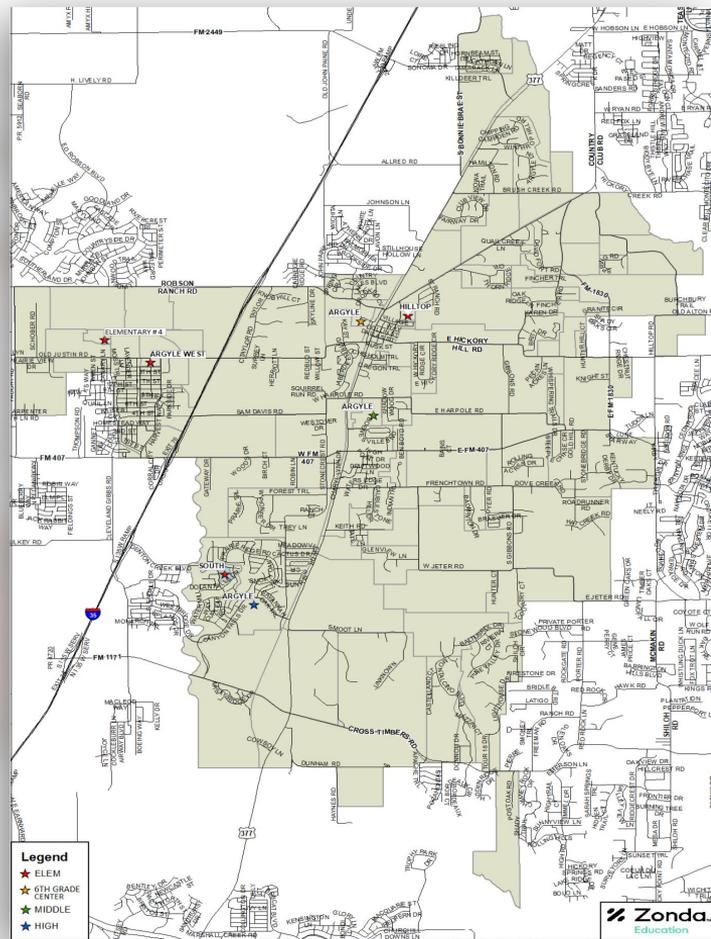
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AISD Includes 5 Municipalities

- Argyle
- Bartonville
- Denton
- Flower Mound
- Northlake



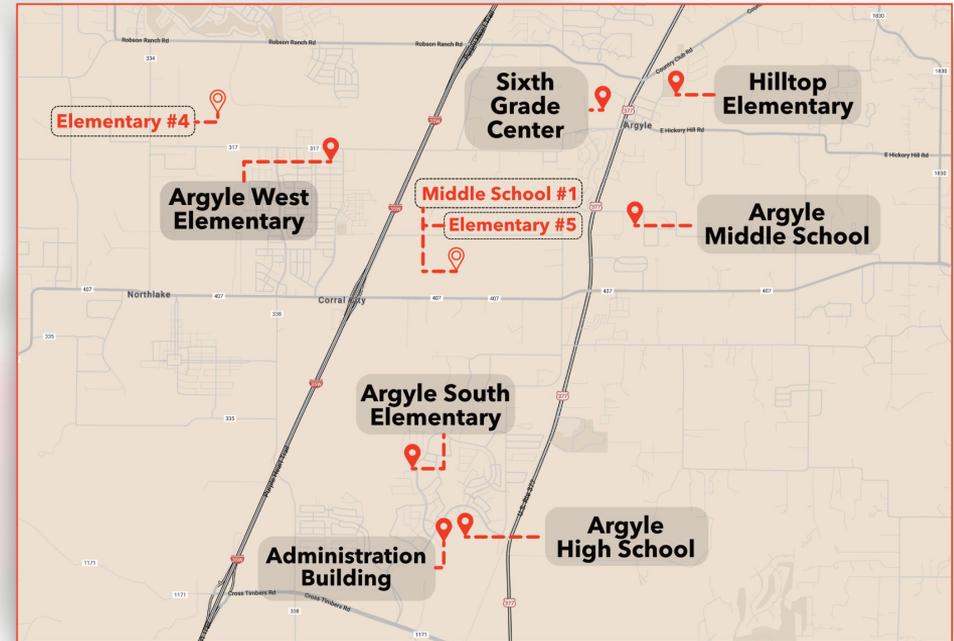
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Six Campuses | 5,347 Students | 680 Employees

- Hilltop Elementary
- Argyle South Elementary
- Argyle West Elementary
- Argyle Sixth Grade Center
- Argyle Middle School
- Argyle High School



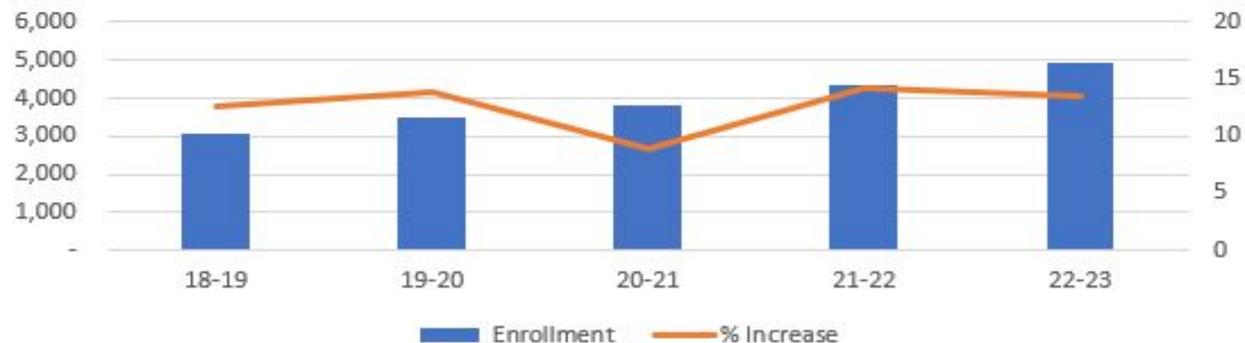


Argyle ISD Enrollment

September 2023

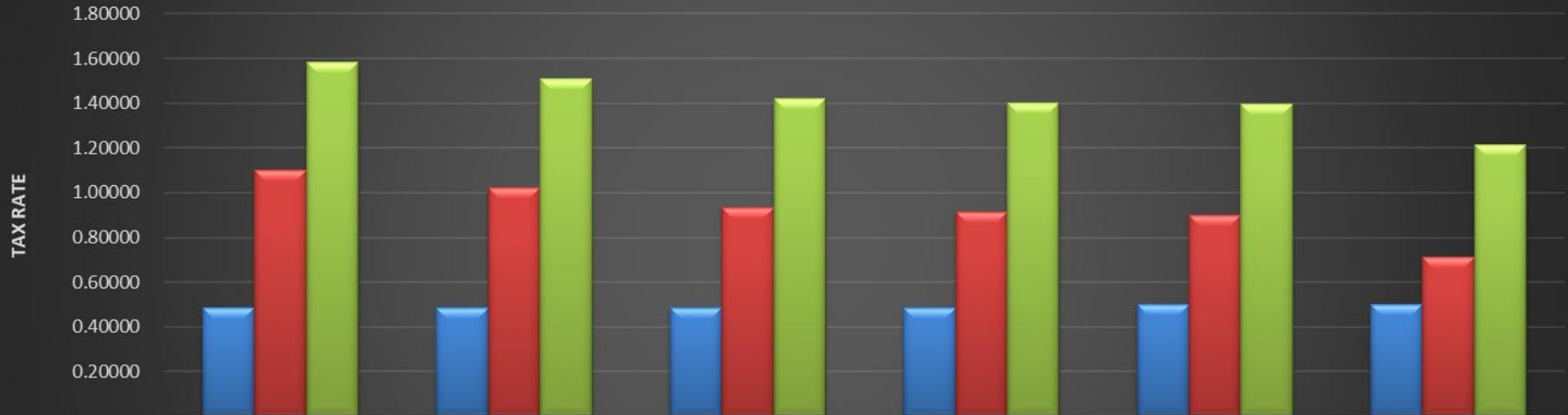
South Elementary	946
West Elementary	947
Hilltop Elementary	660
6th Grade Center	429
Middle School	840
High School	1,525
Total Enrollment	5,347

Enrollment Growth





Argyle ISD Tax Rates



	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
I&S Rate	0.48500	0.48500	0.48500	0.48500	0.50000	0.50000
M&O Rate	1.10005	1.02300	0.93370	0.91500	0.89760	0.71220
Total Tax Rate	1.58505	1.50800	1.41870	1.40000	1.39760	1.21220



Bond 2022 - Current Projects

Argyle ISD voter-approved bond in May 2022 for \$267,885,000 (no tax rate impact)

- Elementary No. 4 - Fall 2024
- Middle School No. 1 - Fall 2025
- Elementary No. 5 - Fall 2026
- High School Stadium at Canyon Falls - Fall 2025
- Indoor Activity Center at Canyon Falls - Fall 2025



10-Year Strategic Growth Plan

Board adopted 10-year plan in January 2023 – current plan states:

- **High School Configuration:** Remain one high school until AHS reaches 2,700 students – then split into two separate 9–12 high schools (utilizing Canyon Falls campus/US 377 campus) **Based on district growth which has slowed at HS level*
- **Elementary Campuses:** Maintain 850–student capacity elementary schools
- **Middle Schools:** 1,200–student capacity for middle schools (reduction from original plan of 1,400). One MS will serve 6–8th grades; other would utilize 6th Grade Campus (formerly AIS) & 7–8th grade campus.



10-Year Strategic Growth Plan Considerations

The Board of Trustees & District will...

- Examine growth **semi-annually** and **plan accordingly** - *November 13th Regular Meeting for Update*
- **Review & revise** growth outlook plan as needed
- Continually review of **bonding capacity**
- Collaborate with **district's demographer** (Zonda) & district's **financial advisor** (RBC)
- Continue **collaboration** with local municipalities



Future Bond & Growth Planning

- In **January of 2023**, the 10-year Strategic Growth Plan presented needs for additional elementary campus, middle school campus, and capacity additions to both 377 and Canyon Falls campuses
- **Phase 1:** Third party assessment of current facilities and capacities
- **Phase 2:**
 - Bond & Growth Planning Committee (cross section of around 50 community, staff, and students) commences in late October
 - Bond & Growth Planning Committee presents findings and recommendations to the Board of Trustees in January 2024



Argyle ISD: *Points of Pride*





Academic Points of Pride

- 74% of Argyle HS students enrolled in Advanced Placement courses score at least a 3 or higher on the exam, **earning college credit**
- SAT/ACT averages **exceed** regional, state, and national averages
 - SAT - 1157
 - ACT - 24
- Started SAT Boot Camp this year - **over 80** students signed up
- AHS will host **SAT School Day** Opportunity this year
- **5** National Merit Semi-Finalists in 2022-23 - **Record**
- **2** National Merit Semi-Finalists in 2023-24
- 57 AHS Students - National Recognition College Board





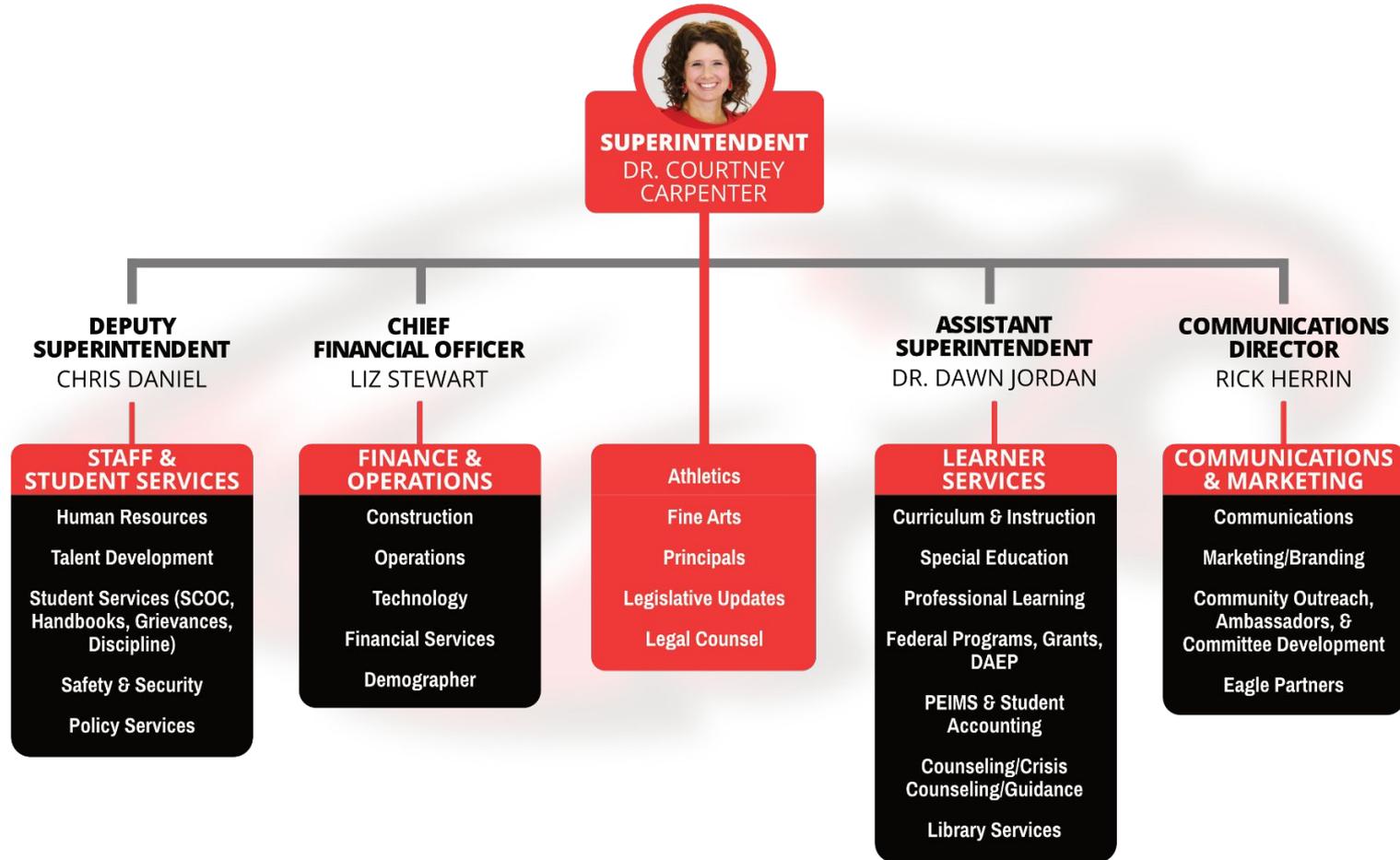
Extracurricular Points of Pride

- **13-time Lone Star Cup Champions** (Academics, Fine Arts, & Athletics)
- Currently **state ranked** in Volleyball, Tennis, and Football
- **8** Different Sports with **25 total State Championships**
- **8-time Marching Band State Champions** - record for most state championships won of any marching band in Texas, regardless of classification
- **Full production** theatre classes **7-12th grade**





Argyle ISD as an *Organization*





Argyle ISD: *Financial & Operational Services*

Liz Stewart
Chief Financial Officer



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Finance and Operational Services

Financial Management	Operational Services
Budgeting	Construction
Payroll	Technology
Purchasing	Transportation
Accounts Payable	Maintenance
Accounts Receivable	Student Nutrition
Audit	Custodial Contract
Risk Management	
Investments	



Finance Department Staff



Christine Arrington
Accounts Receivable &
Administrative Assistant



Gina Smith
District Accountant



Athena Nance-Young
Purchasing & Risk Management
Specialist



Cecilia Coker
Payroll Coordinator



Megan Owens
Accounts Payable



Leigh Ann Richards
Accounts Payable



Operations Staff



Jeff Koehn

Construction Manager



Tommy Ledford

Executive Director of District Operations



Greg Royar

Chief Technology Officer



Amy Bresnahan

Director of Student Nutrition



Albert Rutledge

Director of Transportation



Angel Garcia

Director of Maintenance



What to Expect in Finance 101 Session

- School Funding Basics
- Enrollment
- Tax Rates – M&O and I&S
- Bond Authorization vs Bond Issue



Argyle ISD: Learner & Special Services

Dr. Dawn Jordan
Assistant Superintendent for Learner Services



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Special Services** so we can
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The Learner Services Umbrella of Responsibilities:

- Special Education
- Section 504
- Accountability
- Counseling Programs
- Professional Learning
- Preschool Programs (PK)
- Curriculum and Instruction
- English as a Second Language Program (ESL)
- Career and Technical Education (CTE)
- College, Career, & Military Readiness (CCMR)
- Federal Grants
- PEIMS
- Assessment
- Library Services
- Student Teachers





Learner Services Staff



Vanessa Branch
Coordinator of
Instructional
Services



Christie Duhon
District PEIMS
Coordinator



Dr. Mark Ruggles
Director of
Special
Education



Lindsay Carrier
District
ELAR/ SS
Curriculum
Specialist



Kelly Dillaman
District
Math/ Science
Curriculum
Specialist



Ally Tooley
District
ESL Specialist



Our Goals

- Facilitate strong data analysis practices on campuses
- Hire secondary level curriculum specialists
- Implement MAP Growth in grades K-8
- Continue to increase CTE program offerings and CCMR percentages
- Expand horizontal planning opportunities
- Provide high-quality and equitable resources on campuses
- Continue building alignment across campuses
- Support administrators and teachers



What to expect in future sessions

Student Panel

- Q&A with AHS

Fine Arts Showcase

- Band, Choir

More than a Test Score

- District and Campus Metrics
- Profile of a Learner
- Core Values

Curriculum & Instruction

- Professional Development
- Student and Teacher Resources
- ESL Program (32 Languages)



Argyle ISD: *Staff & Student Services*

Chris Daniel
Deputy Superintendent



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Staff and Student Services

What we do under Staff Services:

- Human Resources
- Talent Development
- Benefits and Leave

What we do under Student Services:

- Safety and Security
- Policy Services
- Discipline and Student Code of Conduct
- Grievances (FNG Process)
- Nurses/Health Services



Human Resources Staff



Morgan Griffard
Administrative Assistant/
Benefits and Leave



Jessica Mayer
Human Resource Specialist



Safety & Security Staff



Eli Davis
Chief of Police



Michael Lemish
Network & Security
Coordinator



Student Services/Safety Session

What to Expect in Future Sessions

- Argyle ISD Police Department
- Standard Response Protocols (SRPs)
- Verkada and Centegix
- Student Code of Conduct/Student Handbooks



Staff Services/Human Capital Session

What to Expect in Future Sessions

- Recruitment
- Retention
- Staffing Models and How We Staff
- Talent Development



Argyle ISD: *Communications & Engagement*

Rick Herrin
Director of Communications



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OUR MISSION

To engage in transparent, effective and open communication, with AISD families, staff and community. Our objective always remains to keep all district stakeholders connected and informed.

Embracing a vision of expanding partnerships, our department strives to build valuable relationships and connections that support every student and staff member.



OUR COMMUNICATIONS TEAM



Laura Truebenbach

Communications &
Marketing Coordinator



Rick Herrin

Communications
Director



Tiffany Shawhart

Administrative
Assistant



Chris Sayler

Digital Content
Specialist



What we do

- District Mass Notifications (email, text)
- District & Campus Website management
- All District Social Media Platforms (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram & Flickr)
- District, Staff & Eagle Partner Newsletters
- Insights Magazine
- Photography & Videography
- Bond Communications & Planning
- District-wide events (Eagle Bash, Homecoming, Convocation)
- Staff & Student Recognitions & Appreciation
- AISD Branding & Promotion





Communications & Engagement

What to Expect in Future Sessions

- Steadfast communications: Reaching families through multiple channels, during calm & crises
- Destination District: Branding/marketing a public ISD
- Eagle Partners & Managing District Events
- How we recognize/highlight student & teacher achievement
- Bond & Strategic planning; elections & voters



AB Communication



Why did you choose Argyle ISD for your family?

ROUND 1:

Partner A: Speaks first: 30 seconds to answer

Partner B: Listens only

ROUND 2:

Partner B: Speaks first: 30 seconds to answer

Partner A: Listens only



Share-Out

A Partner A that would like to share from their pair?

A Partner B that would like to share from their pair?

A Partner A that would like to share from their pair?

A Partner B that would like to share from their pair?



In order to be the BEST Eagle Ambassador for Argyle ISD that you can be, in what area(s) do you need to be more informed?

ROUND 1:

Partner A: Listens only

Partner B: Speaks first: 30 seconds to answer

ROUND 2:

Partner A: Speaks first: 30 seconds to answer

Partner B: Listens only



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Call to Action

Before we come back together in October, find a way you can be an Argyle ISD ambassador in our community and share what you learned!



Meeting Schedule

September 20

October 18 **Next Meeting**

November 15

December 13 Fine Arts Extravaganza at AHS

January 17

February 14

March 20

April 10

April 15 (Board Meeting & Graduation Celebration)

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