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HANNA NAMED TEPSA ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Lainey Hanna, Assistant Principal at Helena Park Elementary School, for her remarkable achievement in being named the TEPSA Assistant Principal of the Year for Region 5 and subsequently the National Assistant Principal of the Year for Texas. Well done, Lainey Hanna, on this well-deserved honor!

WHAT IS GOOD TO GREAT

What does it mean to go from "Good to Great"...It means to have the mindset of getting better every day. Going from good to great involves a commitment to continuous improvement and excellence in every area. It's about striving beyond comfort zones and pushing the boundaries of what is considered satisfactory. For Nederland ISD, this means fostering an environment where both students and staff are encouraged to excel, innovate, and contribute positively to the community. By embracing this philosophy, the district aims to not only meet expectations but exceed them, creating a culture where everyone is inspired to be "Simply the Best!"

NISD SNOW DAYS - WAIVED

Nederland ISD has received a waiver from the state to have the January snow days forgiven.

KILCHRIST NAMED TABC ASSISTANT COACH OF THE YEAR

Coach Bruce Kilchrist's recent accolades highlight his exceptional contribution to Nederland High School's basketball program and his dedication to nurturing young athletes. Being named the 2024 Texas Association of Basketball Coaches Boys Basketball Assistant Coach of the Year for District 5A is a tribute to his outstanding leadership and strategic acumen.



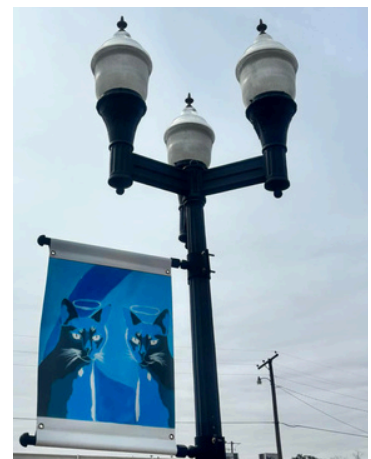
CTE-TAKING IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL WITH BIG NED DOG GROOMING

Big Ned Dog Grooming celebrated a significant milestone this semester, welcoming their first clients into the newly established dog grooming lab at the high school agriculture department. This state-of-the-art facility is an invaluable resource for students enrolled in veterinary medical, advanced animal, and practicum classes, offering them hands-on experience crucial for their future careers. By engaging with real clients and working in a professional setting, these students are able to hone their skills in animal care and grooming, bridging the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application.



NHS ART STUDENTS' BANNERS ON BOSTON

The vibrant new banners adorning Boston Avenue are evidence of the creativity and talent of Nederland High School's art students. These artworks not only beautify the street but also showcase the remarkable skills and imagination of the young artists.



CMS TAKES TOP HONORS AT ROBOTICS CONTEST

Congratulations to the Central Middle School Robotics Team for their outstanding achievement in securing 1st place at the Region 5 Robotics Contest. Competing against 26 teams from the region and coming out on top is a testament to their hard work, dedication, and innovative thinking. It's also impressive to see the other CMS teams placing 6th & 17th, showcasing the depth of talent and teamwork within the school's robotics program. Well done to all involved!



NEDERLAND BULLDOGS DAY

The Nederland City Council declared January 13, 2025, as "2024 Bum Phillips Bowl Winner - Nederland Bulldogs Day" it was a heartfelt celebration of the Nederland Bulldogs' remarkable achievements. Coach Rich and the team captains proudly accepted the proclamation, marking a significant moment of recognition for their hard work and dedication. Go Dogs!

NEDERLAND TEACHERS RECEIVE OVER \$30,000 IN FISH-O-RAMA GRANTS

This year, Nederland ISD teachers have been fortunate recipients of over \$30,000 in Fish-O-Rama S.T.E.A.M. grants, a demonstration of the incredible support from Indorama and the Beaumont Children's Museum. These grants are pivotal in empowering educators to enhance their curriculum with innovative S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) projects and resources, ultimately enriching the learning experience for students. The collaboration between these organizations and Nederland ISD exemplifies the power of community partnerships in advancing educational opportunities and fostering a nurturing environment where both teachers and students can thrive. A huge thank you goes out to Indorama and the Beaumont Children's Museum for their continued support as amazing Partners In Education.



MID-JEFFERSON COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS

The Mid-Jefferson County Retired Teachers invited Dr. Kieschnick to provide a the State of the District and to provide insights on Texas Senate Bill 2. During the meeting, Dr. Kieschnick addressed the current challenges and achievements within the district, highlighting key initiatives aimed at enhancing educational outcomes. The discussion on Senate Bill 2 was particularly pertinent, as it pertains to utilizing school vouchers to transfer from public to private/charter schools. Dr. Kieschnick elaborated on how these changes might affect local schools and fielded questions from attendees, providing clarity and fostering understanding among the retired educators. This engagement underscored the district's commitment to transparency and collaboration with its stakeholders.