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FRIESZ SELECTED AS A 2025 WAYNE A. REAUD EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENT

Congratulations to C.O. Wilson Middle School's Mrs. Shelley Friesz! Mrs. Friesz has been selected as the recipient of the 2025 Wayne A. Reaud Excellence in Education Award.

The Wayne A. Reaud Excellence in Education Award was created to celebrate and recognize the superior contributions of teachers whose leadership and dedication inspire a spirit of learning in students of all backgrounds and abilities.

Mrs. Friesz will be honored at an awards gala and receive a crystal obelisk, a portrait, and a check for \$10,000. We are proud of you and thankful for all you do for NISD and our students!



SCHOOL BOARD & CITY ELECTIONS

Nederland ISD School Board and the City of Nederland City Council and Mayor elections begin with early voting from April 22 - 29, 2025 and the election day is Saturday, May 3, 2025. All voting will be held at the Nederland City Hall.

THE NEDERLAND HS FISHING TEAM - 2025 MID-COUNTY MADNESS WINNER

Congratulations to the Nederland High School Fishing Team for their outstanding achievement in the 2025 Mid-County Madness tournament! Their dedication, skill, and teamwork truly paid off as they navigated the waters and outperformed their competition. Bringing home the trophy is a testament to their hard work and passion for the sport. The entire community celebrates this victory and is proud of the team's accomplishments. Way to go, Dogs, for making waves and leaving a lasting impression in the fishing world!



CTE-INTERVIEW SEMINAR DAY

The 2025 Senior Interview Seminar at Nederland High School was a remarkable event, bringing together students, educators, and industry professionals in a collaborative effort to prepare seniors for the next steps in their career journeys. The CTE Department's dedication to organizing such an impactful seminar highlights their commitment to student success. With the invaluable support of community and industry partners, students were provided with the unique opportunity to engage in mock interviews, receive constructive feedback, and gain insights into various career paths. Your contributions not only made the day possible but also enriched the students' learning experiences, equipping them with the confidence and skills needed for their future endeavors. Thank you for investing in the leaders of tomorrow!



NEDERLAND EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION GRANT-ING WISHES

The Nederland Educational Foundation (NEF) continued its commitment to supporting education with its second grant delivery day on March 24. Following a successful fall season where NEF distributed \$20,000 in campus grants, thanks to a generous contribution from Valero, the foundation carried the momentum into the spring. NEF awarded \$7,000 in teacher grants, distributing 18 grants among 23 dedicated educators across six schools this spring. The NEF Banquet was held on April 8 at The Pompano, where the community gathered to honor the recipients and reflect on the positive impact these grants will have on enhancing educational opportunities and resources within the schools.



CULTURAL NIGHT AT HELENA

Helena Park's first Cultural Night was a resounding success, and the turnout exceeded expectations! The evening was filled with colorful displays, delicious food, and captivating performances that showcased the rich tapestry of cultures within our school community. This event not only strengthened our bonds but also fostered a deeper understanding and respect for the multitude of cultures that make our community unique. Thank you once again to everyone who contributed to making Cultural Night an unforgettable experience!



THIS BULLDOG WILL BE...

The Nederland High School Career and Technical Education program recently celebrated creativity and future aspirations with a poster contest themed "This Bulldog Will Be..." aimed at sparking the imaginations of elementary and middle school students. Congratulations to Hillcrest 5th grader Dailyn A. and C.O. Wilson 6th grader Judd K., who stood out with their inspiring entries. Their hard work and vision earned them well-deserved recognition. Additionally, a special thank you goes to NHS senior Engineering student Bryan B., whose skills were showcased in the design and construction of the impressive 3D trophy awarded to the winners.



NHS POWERLIFTERS TAKE TOP HONORS

Congratulations to Ajay A., Nia B., and Robert H. for their remarkable achievements in powerlifting! Qualifying for the state championship is a significant accomplishment that speaks to their dedication, strength, and perseverance. A special shout-out to Ajay for winning his division at the state meet and to Nia for winning 3rd in her division—an incredible feat highlighting their exceptional talent and hard work. All of these athletes have demonstrated outstanding commitment to their sport, and their success is a testament to their relentless effort and determination. Well done, Ajay, Nia and Robert, on representing NHS with such excellence!



NISD TEACHER INDUCTIONSHIP PROGRAM

The NISD Teacher Inductionship Program plays a crucial role in nurturing and guiding new educators as they navigate their initial years in the school district. By focusing on the first three years of teaching, the program provides invaluable support, resources, and mentorship that help teachers build a strong foundation for their careers. Recently, the third-year teachers were honored with a celebration highlighting their dedication, growth, and achievements. Thank you to Crumbl Cookies for sponsoring this event!

