

Crowley ISD Points of Pride

Thursday, March 12, 2026

1. North Crowley Boys Basketball

After their thrilling win over Duncanville Tuesday night, #2 North Crowley Panthers boys basketball team is state bound this Saturday. The Panthers will take on #4 Brennan High School at the Alamodome in San Antonio and tip-off is set for 5 p.m., so get your tickets and start your spring break by cheering on North Crowley to a state title!

If you can't make it to San Antonio, fans and community members are invited to wear blue and help us send-off the team tomorrow morning at Panther Fieldhouse. Fans will line-up outside the gym at 8:15 a.m. and the buses will roll out at 8:30 a.m. Let's go Panthers!

2. Spanish Spelling Bee

After an incredible 18-round showcase of talent and dedication at the annual Region 11 Spanish Spelling Bee, we're BEEyond proud to celebrate **Armando Sanchez**, a fifth grade student from Sycamore Elementary School, for winning second place overall. Armando will now prepare to represent Sycamore, Crowley ISD and Region 11 as one of the top 32 spellers to advance to the statewide Spanish Spelling Bee, hosted in El Paso this June!

3. TASB Governance Camp

Four of our outstanding student trustees presented at the Texas Association of School Boards Governance Camp to share how **student voice** is being heard during Crowley ISD School Board meetings.

They spoke to school board members from across Texas about the impact of student voice and offered guidance on how other districts can launch their own student trustee programs. We are proud of these young leaders for representing with confidence and purpose. Kudos to Destiny, Vincent, Xzanthy and John for their service and hard work!

4. Esports at the Stadium

Last weekend, an intense competition of our most skilled students took place at Crowley ISD Multi-Purpose Stadium -- but it was displayed on the screens, not the field. After 7.5 hours, senior Jordan Connally from North Crowley High School was crowned as the Madden 26 Esports championship and earned an automatic bid to state.

In total, 32 players competed from districts across the state, and we were excited to host in our stadium and watch the action live on our amazing videoboard! Congratulation Jordan and good luck at the state competition!

5. SAT Day for Juniors

I would like to take a moment to recognize something our district is very proud of. On Tuesday, March 10, every junior at Crowley High School and North Crowley High School had the opportunity to take the SAT test right on their campus, at no cost to them or their families. The same opportunity will be offered to Crowley Collegiate students on April 14.

This initiative reflects our commitment to making college and career opportunities accessible to every student. By providing the SAT during the school day, we remove barriers that too often stand in the way—such as testing fees, transportation or scheduling challenges. Every junior was given an equal opportunity to take an important step toward their future.

6. Future Chef

If you've ever watched Chopped Junior on the Food Network, then you would have loved what happened in Crowley ISD last week! Sixteen finalists, grades 3-5, gathered at the Bill R. Johnson CTE Center to compete in Sodexo's Future Chef Competition.

These young chefs came ready to cook. They showcased their creativity and culinary skills, while preparing dishes inspired by flavors from around the world. Every participant went home with a chef's coat, hat, apron, medal and button.

First place honors were claimed by 4th grader Bailey Rougeau from Jackie Carden Elementary for her seafood egg rolls. We want to say congratulations to all that competed, and we can't wait to see what they cook up next year!

7. Early Childhood Enrollment Opening Soon

Pre-Kindergarten and kindergarten enrollment opens online on April 1. Our theme for this year is "Launching Little Learners" and we're excited to help your child lift-off into learning in Crowley ISD.

Visit the district web site to see if your family qualifies for free Pre-K and learn more about our tuition-based options, starting at \$200 a month. Our high-quality programs offer full-day Pre-K at all CISD elementary campuses.

If you need in-person assistance, mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 11**, for our annual Pre-K and Kindergarten enrollment event from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Bill R. Johnson CTE Center. We will have a team ready to assist you and get your student ready for their learning journey to lift-off!