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Valley View I.S.D.

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BILINGUAL EDUCATION

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There is a debate in the field of bilingual education regarding the best time to introduce and teach in a second language. The following are some guidelines as to what is the best way for our schools to teach Spanish-speaking children English.

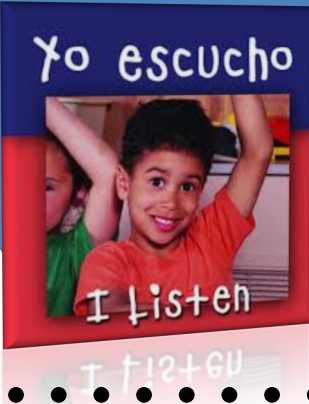
What Are Some Generalizations About the Optimal Age for Second-Language Acquisition?

Before puberty, it does not matter for overall long-term academic achievement when a person is initially exposed to or first receives instruction in the second language as long as first-language cognitive development is continued through age 12 (the age by which first-language acquisition is largely achieved).

When children's first-language development is discontinued before it is completed, they may experience negative cognitive effects in the development of the second language; conversely, children who have reached full cognitive development in two languages enjoy cognitive advantage over monolinguals.

At the beginning stages of acquiring a second language, adults and adolescents with solid development in their first language master basic interpersonal communication skills (BICS) faster than children after two to three years of exposure to second language. However, children achieve higher second-language proficiency in BICS with adults and adolescents typically retaining an accent.

Older children (ages 8 to 12) who have had several years of first language schooling are the most efficient acquirers of second-language cognitive academic language proficiency (CALP). Adolescents with solid first-language schooling acquire the second-language school language, equally efficiently, except for pronunciation.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◇ June 8th, 2015 SUMMER SCHOOL
- ◇ June 23, 24th, 26th....STAAR Math / Reading RE-TEST Grades 5-8

EDUCACIÓN BILINGÜE

Hay varios argumentos en el campo de la educación bilingüe en relación con el mejor momento para introducir y enseñar en la segunda lengua. Las siguientes son algunas pautas sobre lo que es la mejor manera para nuestras escuelas a enseñar inglés a los niños hispanoparlantes.

¿Cuáles son algunas generalizaciones sobre la edad óptima para la adquisición del segundo idioma?

Antes de la pubertad, no importa para el logro académico general a largo plazo, cuando una persona está expuesta inicialmente o primero recibe instrucción en la segunda lengua, siempre y cuando el desarrollo cognitivo en la primera lengua se continúa a través de los 12 años (la edad en que la adquisición del primer idioma se haya logrado en gran medida).

Cuando el desarrollo del primer lenguaje de los niños se interrumpe antes de que se haya completado, pueden experimentar efectos cognitivos negativos en el desarrollo de la segunda lengua; por el contrario, los niños que han alcanzado pleno desarrollo cognitivo en dos idiomas disfrutan ventajas cognitivas sobre los monolingües.

En las etapas iniciales de la adquisición de un segundo idioma, adultos y adolescentes con el desarrollo sólido en su primer idioma dominan las habilidades comunicativas interpersonales básicas (BICS) más rápido que los niños después de dos o tres años de exposición al segundo idioma. Sin embargo, los niños logran mayor dominio de un segundo idioma en BICS más que los adultos y los adolescents quienes suelen retener un acento.

Los niños mayores (de 8 a 12) que han tenido varios años de enseñanza en su primer idioma son los que adquieren con más eficiencia un dominio cognitivo del lenguaje académico (CALP) en el segundo idioma. Los adolescentes con la escolarización de primer lenguaje sólido adquieren la lengua académica de un segundo idioma igualmente de manera eficiente, a excepción, tal vez, de pronunciación.

DREAM,

BELIEVE,

SUCCEED!!



SPECIAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

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The Special Olympics games have been in full force all year and our students continue to outshine the rest!

The year started out with the Bocce competition held on October 18th at the Sharyland High School Castle Gym. Ten athletes competed and placed with five gold medals and five silver medals. Bocce is an Italian sport similar to bowling. It is generally played on smooth surfaces, but can be played on grass or sand. The object of the game is to roll your bocce balls closer to the pallino ball than your opponent. One point is given for each bocce ball that is closer to the pallino than the opposing team's bocce balls. The first to get to 12 points wins the game.

Our next competition was **Bowling**. Special Olympics Area 1 for the Rio Grande Valley has about 1,600 bowlers, so the competition was broken up into four competition categories based on abilities and age. These competitions were held throughout the month of November and 11 of our Valley View Tigers placed, bringing home gold, silver, and bronze medals. This was success at its best!

Our third competition was **Basketball** held on February 28th at Weslaco East High School. At this competition, athletes competed in individualized skills which included target pass, 10m dribble, and spot shooting. A total of seven athletes competed and all seven placed, bringing in gold and bronze medals! Great job, team!

Although the school year is coming to a close, competition is not. Our students are gearing up to finish off strong for the last two competitions of the year. Our Spring Games took place on May 1st and 2nd in Weslaco at Bobby Lackey Stadium. Level 1 events will included: Walk Race, Ball Throw, Standing Long Jump, and a variety of wheelchair events. Level 2 events included: Race Walk, Running Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Softball Throw, Pentathlon races, Mini-Javelin, and a variety of running and wheelchair events. Our district has about 15 students that competed in our Spring Games. Thank you for coming out and supporting our athletes and cheering them on all the way to the finish line!!

The Special Olympics Summer Games are held annually in Arlington in May at the University of Texas at Arlington Maverick Stadium. The number of athletes that compete at this competition are well over 3,000, with 760 coaches and 3,750 willing volunteers in attendance. The Summer Games include seven sports: Track and Field, Basketball, Cycling, Equestrian, Gymnastics, Soccer, and Tennis. Seven athletes represented Valley View I.S.D. as they went for the GOLD!

ROOTING FOR YOU VALLEY VIEW TIGERS!!

Let's finish the year off with a bang!!



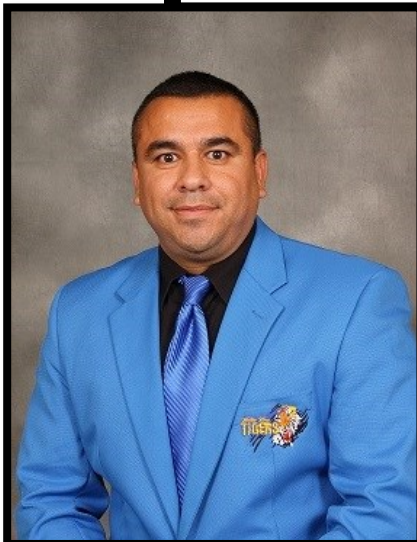
MAINTENANCE & TRANSPORTATION



The Maintenance Department staff worked on a new addition / renovations at the High School Field House and Shipping office. Changes were made to accommodate student growth and improve facility services. Crews worked diligently on the project construction installing plumbing, framing and walls to complete the project at the location. Once construction is complete, students will have a redesigned facility for daily use during their athletics sessions. Valley View I.S.D.'s dedicated maintenance Department crew members Jose Rodriguez, Jose Luis Jimenez, Max Delgado , Noe Morin, Felipe Cecena, and their Foreman Juan Jimenez all worked together in ensuring project completion to better serve our students at Valley View ISD.

VALLEY VIEW I.S.D.

Superintendent's Corner



From the start of the school year, we have stressed teamwork among all of our stakeholders, and it has had a positive impact on our STAAR results. We are very proud of our students and staff and what they have been able to accomplish this year. Below are the preliminary comparisons that have been released by the Texas Education Agency and how our district compared to the state and region. From the preliminary data, we have outperformed the state and the region in all of the listed subject areas. As the results show, the quality of education at Valley View can be considered to be among the very best, not only at the region but also at the state level. This has been accomplished through a solid curriculum, effective classroom instruction, and student and teacher incentives. As we plan for next year, emphasis will be placed on enhancing critical learning, providing more rigorous programs for our students, improving the use of technology, and making all students college ready. There is nothing

that cannot be accomplished when we work as a team.

Valley View is on the rise and people around the state are taking notice.

Dream, Believe, Succeed!!

VALLEY VIEW PRELIMINARY STAAR SCORES COMPARED TO REGION & STATE

Subject/Grade Level	2014-2015 Valley View	2014-2015 Regional Averages	2014-2015 State Scores
3 rd Grade Reading	92%	77% (+15)	77% (+15)
4 th Grade Reading	95%	72% (+23)	74% (+21)
4 th Grade Writing	95%	74% (+21)	70% (+25)
5 th Grade Science	81%	70% (+11)	72% (+9)
5 th Gd. Reading	92%	76% (+16)	N/A
6 th Grade Reading	81%	67% (+14)	76% (+5)
7 th Grade Reading	75%	66% (+9)	75% (0)
7 th Grade Writing	75%	67% (+8)	72% (+3)
8 th Grade Science	74%	66% (+8)	70% (+4)
8 th Grade Reading	80%	71% (+9)	N/A



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

LUCAS ELEMENTARY

New Millionaires at Wilbur E. Lucas Elementary

Wilbur E. Lucas Elementary recently awarded three students for being Accelerated Reader Millionaires. These students are:

Nicole Mejia, 4th grader in Mrs. Saldana's class, with 1,028,564 words read;

Roberto Guerrero, 3rd grader in Mr. Rangel's class, with 1,008,968 words read; and,

Karyme Bustos, 3rd grader in Mrs. Frausto's class, with 1,001,037 words read.

Congratulations to these students!



NICOLE MEJIA



KARYME BUSTOS



WELCOME
TO THE
ACCELERATED
READER
MILLIONAIRE
CLUB!

KEEP ON
READING!!



ROBERTO GUERRERO

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

LUCAS ELEMENTARY

Spring Chocolates Sales a Big Success!

Lucas Elementary recently held a Spring Chocolate Sales. All proceeds from this event are being used for end-of-the-year student incentives. Students whose parents sold chocolates attended the Lucas Celebration and won glow toys. Top Sellers were: Deyanara De La Garza, Camila Venegas, Miranda Maldonado, Melina Lara and Angel Villanueva. Each student sold 4 boxes of chocolates.

Other students who sold two and three boxes of chocolates were: Jacob Campos, Ruby Guajardo, Natalia Mora, Juan P. Hernandez, Gabriela Molina, Franco Cardenas, Erik G. Garcia, Alejandro Juarez, and Sebastian Espejo.

Thank you, Parents for supporting our school!!



Wilbur E. Lucas Elementary Honors 2014-2015 PTO Officers

PTO Officers were recognized for their contributions to the school at the last PTO meeting of the 2014-2015 school year.

PTO officers were honored for their dedication and volunteerism on behalf of the organization. Sylvia Balcazar was honored for her work doing "pretty much everything" over the years for Wilbur E. Lucas Elementary. For the past two years, Mrs. Balcazar served as the PTO President. She successfully organized several fundraisers and has been actively involved in daily school activities.



Also recognized were Claudia Rios, PTO Vice President, Angela Santana, PTO Treasurer, and Anita Guerrero, PTO Secretary. We are very grateful for everything they have done for our school this year. They organized several activities for the students throughout the school year and raised funds to take students to see Disney on Ice and to the Texas State Aquarium.

Our PTO officers have always been available and have a helpful and caring attitude. All honorees received a special recognition plaque.

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY

I ♥ EARTH

Valley View Elementary Science Lab

Earth Day Activities

Students have been eagerly doing their part to help Mother Earth by planting vegetables and recycling. They have also been learning about the butterfly life cycle and celebrated by releasing them on April 22, 2015, Earth Day!



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

VALLEY VIEW ELEMENTARY

Valley View Elementary

Students have been busy in Science Lab this year!



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- Cooperative Learning
 - STEM Activities
 - Critical Thinking
 - Scientific Process
 - Problem Solving



CHILD NUTRITION HIGHLIGHTS

Valley View ISD

Healthy Summer Meals for Kids

No Cost for Kids 18 and Younger



Friends, Fun & Food

Eat Right with the Summer Nutrition Program

Valley View Independent School District will participate under the Seamless Summer Food Service Program. Healthy meals during the summer are available at no cost to all children 18 and younger. Participating sites are Valley View Elementary, Early College Campus, Valley View High School cafeterias. Children simply need to show up. Meal times are 8:30-10:00 am breakfast and 12:30-1:30 lunch.

El distrito escolar de Valley View ISD participará en el Programa de comida Continuo de Verano. Comidas saludables están disponibles sin costo alguno para niños y jóvenes hasta 18 años de edad. Para participar, sólo es necesario que los niños se presenten a la cafetería de Valley View Elementary, Early College Campus, y Valley View High School. Horario de 8:30-10:00 almuerzo y de 12:30 -1:30 para la comida.

For more information please call:

Valley View ISD Child Nutrition Services

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CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

Fifth Grade Campus



Team CRALS from Valley View 5th Grade Campus had the honor of being the first team from Valley View I.S.D. to compete at the state Destination Imagination competition that was held in Dallas, TX, April 9th-11th. This is the first time ever that Valley View competed in a state competition for Destination Imagination. Managed by Amanda Cisneros, the members of CRALS include Xanath Reyes, Isabella Sanchez, Ariana Rosales, Rocio Gonzalez, and Valeria Gonzalez-Gracia and placed 2nd for the division known as "Feary Tales" in the Regional Tournament that took place February 21, 2015 at PSJA North.

Destination Imagination is an educational program in which student teams solve open-ended challenges and present their solutions at tournaments. Team CRALS had to present a team-created fairy tale about a character that faces and deals with a phobia. They also had to create several pieces of expressive, functional artwork with illusions that would interpret the team's imagination. This will show off the team's interests, skills, areas of strength, and talents.

At the regional tournament, the team also had to perform an Instant Challenge, a sort of "lightning round", that required them to create a solution for a particular problem on the spot and in a limited amount of time.

2014 – 2015 Valley View 5th Grade Campus Millionaires

Valley View 5th Grade "Millionaires" are students who have reached a special benchmark within each academic year reading one million words or more as evidenced by their Accelerated Reading (AR) comprehension test scores. All students take an AR test after reading a book independently. To pass, they must receive a score of 80%. The Accelerated Reader program then calculates the number of words the student was credited. The word count goes up as the student reads and passes the test. Currently 33 students have reached this amazing milestone, and several students are very close to being millionaires. One of these millionaires has read over five million words. Another millionaire has read over 4 million words. Our goal is to get 40 millionaires by April 30, the deadline for words to be counted. As the students become millionaires, they go before our respective Board Members during bi-weekly Board Meeting, to be recognized and celebrated. There they receive a certificate from Mr. De La Cerda, our Principal. If a student reads over two million words, thus becoming a multi-millionaire, he/she goes before the board a second time to receive another certificate. Millionaires will be treated to a delicious meal at Tony Roma's. Richard, the restaurant's general manager, will be providing a complimentary chocolate cake in celebration of our Valley View 5th Grade Millionaires. Students will also receive a Millionaire Club t-shirt, a trophy, and a gift bag.

Advice to reluctant readers: it is important to know your reading level and don't be self-conscious about it. Read books in genres or areas of interest you enjoy. Finally, the most important rule for any student reader is to persevere, finish books and take tests. **Congratulations on reaching such a milestone!**



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

VALLEY VIEW SOUTH ELEMENTARY

Valley View South Elementary

Border Fest Celebration & Royal Court

Border Fest 2015 was an exciting experience for Valley View South Elementary. Students wore traditional Korean attire as they marched next to the beautifully decorated float. **South's Royal Court** took pride in riding our float which obtained third place in the Elementary School Float Category. Students **Gabriela Guerra and Alexander Garcia**, 2nd graders, proudly wore their royal gowns as they represented the Valley View South King and Queen for the 2014-2015 school year. Congratulations and a BIG thank you to everyone who volunteered to help in making this event possible.



Valley View South's McTeacher Night

Students, parents and teachers gathered as a family during Valley View South Elementary's McTeacher Night. Teachers stepped up to make fries, assist in the drive-thru window and help out cashiers. Students and parents were very enthusiastic to see teachers in roles other than in a school environment. Different grade levels also had mini fundraisers, such as a face-painting booth, a photo booth and light toy sale. All the Valley View South Family made this wonderful event a huge fundraising success.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

VALLEY VIEW SOUTH ELEMENTARY

UIL District Competition

Valley View South Elementary participated in the Intra-District UIL meet. South's students and coaches were very enthusiastic about the meet because they had been preparing all year for the competition. Their hard work and dedication was reflected as South Elementary obtained 3rd place in the district meet.



Easter Bunny Visit and Egg Hunt Celebration

Valley View South Elementary was enlightened with a very special visit by the Easter Bunny. Students had the opportunity to take pictures with him and enjoy his company. All students grades PK-4 were asked to create an Easter basket using recycled material as part of a Science lesson. Later they enjoyed an Easter egg hunt with their teachers and classmates as an enrichment to a Social Studies lesson about customs and traditions.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS NORTH ELEMENTARY



Yellow Day Event March 25th, 2015 Severe Combined Immuno-Deficiency Awareness DAY

Students and Staff participated in a national social media event on Friday March 27, 2015, in

support of a little boy by the name of Seth Lane who was born without an immune system. His parents began a campaign to raise awareness for the condition known as Severe Combined Immuno-Deficiency.

We at North Elementary firmly believe that future leaders of society have a duty to engage and partake in the world's issues and offer solutions. We teach our students to embrace being part of the Global Environment and teach them how social media connects us all and how we can make a difference by joining together as one.

North Elementary held a family cohesiveness event headed by our School Counselor Manuel Salinas.

The event aims to create strong cohesive family bonds that will nurture and help the students and their families achieve academic enhancement as well as promote a healthy environment at home.

We at North Elementary reach out and connect with the families whom we serve, and try to moderate and promote a locus of understanding and educational empowerment!

Thanks to all the parents, grandparents, uncles and family male counterparts who signed up and participated in this wholesome event!

There is a link on our website that has a video and pictures of the event: <http://vvne.vviewisd.net/>.



Donuts with Dad !

North Elementary brings Families together for successful academic achievements!

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

JUNIOR HIGH

Our Champion Valley View Jr. High Basketball Team

Sports play a pivotal role in the makeup of a young athlete, especially in the development of critical thinking and teamwork. Valley View has partnered with the Hidalgo Youth Center to prepare future athletes by organizing a basketball league. Over 100 students from the district participated in the league. The competitive league unified our staff, parents, Valley View Board of Trustees, and the City of Hidalgo by instilling in our students dedication, commitment, hard work, but most importantly, team work. The Valley View Junior High team, Golden State, closed the season as the ultimate champion. This opportunity has provided a learning experience to our students to excel athletically while enhancing brain function, increasing energy levels, and promoting positive behavior.



Drug Use Awareness Presentations

"We want all students in Valley View Independent School District to have a bright future ahead of them without drugs," states Pharr Police Officer Renteria. The Pharr Police Department is at our campus to protect us and guide us in some of the life choices we make. One goal of their presence at our school is to encourage our students to stay off drugs, so that they can live a longer, healthier life. They want our Tigers to be safe and have no life-threatening situations in their futures.



Therefore, the police department has been presenting a short, but life-changing slideshow presentation on the importance of not using drugs. In her talks, Officer Renteria explained the detrimental consequences of being involved with drugs and how a simple, almost non-consequential act can become a major mistake in your life that can determine your future. If we decided to get involved with drugs in any way, there is no turning back because we chose to start a new, yet dreadful, chapter in our lives. The Pharr P.D. represented by Officer Renteria at our campus is here to guide us in the right direction and not let drugs lead us in the wrong way.

Article by Ivy Larraga, 7th Grade Student

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

VALLEY VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

VVHS Robotics Team

VVHS Robotics team attended First Robotics Competition (FRC) in Houston, Texas. FRC combines the excitement of sport with the rigors of science and technology. Under strict rules, limited resources, and time limits, teams of 25 students or more are challenged to raise funds, design a team "brand," hone teamwork skills, and build and program robots to perform prescribed tasks against a field of competitors. It's as close to "real-world engineering" as a student can get. Valley View High School robotics students worked hard for six weeks brainstorming, designing and building a robot that could carry out a specific task. For the first time, our VVHS Robotics team brought home a trophy as the most spirited team. The students made buttons to promote the team and handed them out there. The Tiger mascot was also able to make an appearance! VVHS Robotics team made their presence known, and people from all over kept complimenting the team's spirit and our robot.



Thanks go out to **Mr. Waleed Ebrahim** and **Mr. Randy Perez** for mentoring the students and dedicating countless hours without compensation.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

VALLEY VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

2015 Rio Grande Livestock Show Western Art Contest

Valley View High School came out as one of the top schools in the Valley bringing home six ribbons from the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show. The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show has been an annual event in the Valley since 1939 and has continued to grow each year. The RGV Livestock show held in Mercedes, now ranks as one of the top ten in the state. People from all over Texas eagerly anticipate the event and come to enjoy many activities. The RGVLS School Western Art Contest has long been a part of this great tradition, offering students the opportunity to exhibit their artwork and also compete for ribbons and place their winning artwork up for auction at the annual Sale of Champions.

The results of the 2015 Rio Grande Livestock Show Western Art were as follows:

1st place - Marker category: **Hailey Coria**
2nd place -Watercolors: **Lilly Elliott**
2nd place- Mixed Media: **Berlyn Vargas**
3rd place- Pen & Ink: **Michelle Maldonado**
3rd place- Prismacolor Pencil: **Samayra Estevez**
3rd place- Acrylic: **Karina Aleman**

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Tiger Artists !!

Front row, from left to right

Samayra Estevez, Mrs. Cecilia Valdez [Art teacher] and Berlyn Vargas;

Back row left to right

Lilly Elliott, Michelle Maldonado, and Hailey Coria



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



H.E.B. REPRESENTATIVES VISIT EARLY COLLEGE CAMPUS

Every year, the HEB Grocery Company visits several school districts throughout the state of Texas with the intention of recognizing one district with the prestigious *Educators in Excellence Award*. This award is given to celebrate the district that best exemplifies an overall outstanding educational experience. The Valley View Independent School District was one of only eight districts in the state, and one of two in the Valley, to be considered and recognized as a finalist for the *2015 HEB Educators in Excellence Awards*. On Tuesday, March 24th, HEB sent its panel of judges to Early College Campus to tour the campus, to speak with administrators and staff, and to witness firsthand the enlightening educational experience that occurs on a daily basis at the Early College Campus. The judges conducted thorough walkthroughs of several classes in observation of the day's lessons and got to speak with teachers and students during their observations. In addition, the judges had a chance to sit down with Valley View ISD administration for a formal question-and-answer session. The winning district was announced on May 2nd at the HEB Educators in Excellence Ceremony in Austin, Texas.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



VALLEY VIEW 9TH GRADE SOCCER TEAM WINS DISTRICT

Congratulations to the Valley View 9th-grade boys soccer team for culminating another outstanding year and becoming the 2014-2015 district champs. The team finished its 16-game season undefeated with a record of 15 wins, 0 losses and 1 tie. In its quest for a district title, the team scored a total of 68 goals in 16 games, which is an average of over 4 goals per game! The leading scorers were Ricardo Mata and Alexis Gutierrez, who both tallied up 12 goals each during their successful season. The Tiger scoring attack was aided by mid-fielders Brandon Corona, Kevin de la Garza and Javier Calderon, who helped deliver the ball to the strikers so that they could score their whopping 68 goals. The team's defensive effort was equally, if not more, impressive than their overwhelming offensive domination. In 16 games, the boys only allowed for their opponents to score a combined 7 goals throughout the entire soccer season; that's an average of less than half a goal per game! This defensive juggernaut consisted of Jordan Mena, Jesus Acosta, Christian Molina, Edson Mata and goal keeper, Jorge Leal. The selfless coach responsible for leading our victorious students to the district title was Mr. G. Garza (head coach). This group of boys will likely continue being a part of the glorious Valley View soccer tradition and will only continue to get better as a unit, which means that the future of our district's soccer program looks extremely bright. Continued success to our boy's soccer team and, once again, congratulations.



CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

National Student Employee Appreciation Week April 12-18, 2015

Under the supervision and management of Mrs. Andaverdi, Business Education Teacher, senior students at Valley View High School have the opportunity to participate in a work-based learning program called Practicum in Business Management (CO-OP). The course is designed to strengthen individual performance in the workplace and in society and to make a successful transition to the workforce or postsecondary education. This course gives the students the opportunity to put into practice a variety of business techniques and concepts learned over two years while taking business courses. These young professionals take their required academic classes in the morning and report to work between the hours of 1-5pm in the afternoons. Students work a maximum of 15 hours per week in a paid practicum to receive three Career and Technology credits for the course.

We currently have six students working throughout the school district. CO-OP students perform clerical duties such as: answering phones, sorting mail, maintaining and organizing files, greeting students, parents, and school personnel. CO-OP students make up an important and valuable part of the Valley View ISD's workforce as they perform invaluable services with enthusiasm, dedication, and initiative. At the same time, they develop important skills and experience. These young professionals also participate in the Career and Technology Student Organization - Future Business Leaders of America where they have taken the opportunity to enhance their leadership skills and perform community service.



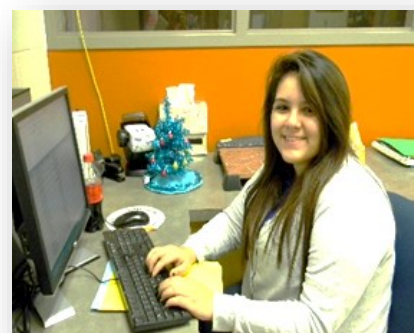
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Valley View South Elementary



Lesley Reyna

Valley View Elementary



Jesus Delgadillo

Valley View North Elementary



Gladys Saldivar

Wilbur Lucas Elementary

CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

CTE Department Law Enforcement



"The reason why I chose this class was because I needed to learn more about the rules and laws of the United States. That way I would not get in trouble with the law. I also went on a field trip this year to UTPA, and we visited the Criminal Justice Department, and we learned so much about what we need to know in order to be accepted in that department. I am glad I went because it was very helpful and I learned a lot. My favorite part about this class is the way Ms. Sepulveda taught us. She made it fun and made us want to learn more. Even though I didn't plan on getting in the law enforcement field, now after taking that class I plan on getting into that field."

Christopher Castillo, Senior

"I chose this class because I wanted to be informed about the law and how our legal system works. I also chose this class because I wanted a challenge and wanted to be pushed to my mental limit and wanted to learn about the different jobs in law enforcement. We have done a lot of labs such as the crime scene lab, the fingerprint lab and how to investigate a crime scene. My favorite lab was the crime scene investigation lab because of all the clues, fake blood and guns. I plan on being a border patrol agent, SWAT or even a state trooper."

Victor Acosta, Senior



"I chose this class because of friends that had this class in the previous years. I personally plan on joining border patrol but really didn't know much about the state laws, and different types of laws. Every day we learn something new, no one stays quiet, and we all interact and get along just great. I still remember our drug test lab. Everyone was laughing we learned about the process, it was amazing. Ms. Sepulveda executed this course and made it the time of our lives. I couldn't have chosen a better class than the one I'm in today. Being a senior, this will be the only class I'll miss and always remember about." – **Alex Villarreal, Senior**

TIGER ATHLETIC HIGHLIGHTS

Valley View has a New Name in the Record Books. His name, **Juan Gallegos**. Juanito, as he is known to his fan base, broke the 100m dash record this past week at the Meet of Champions Showcase. His time of 10.85 is the fastest time recorded by F.A.T. (Fully Automatic Timing), making his record officially timed and accurate. He is now Valley Views' Sprint King. Congratulations, Juanito, and Keep up the Great Work.



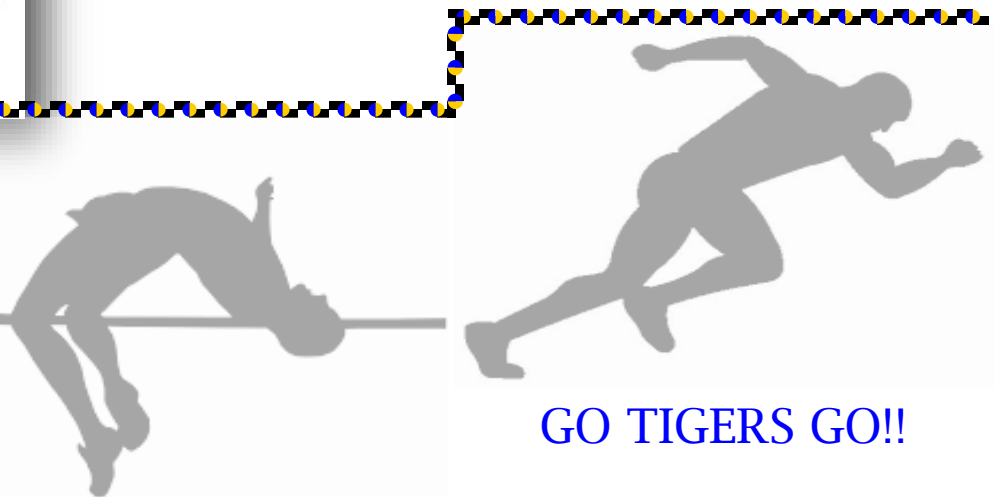
JUAN GALLEGOS



TIGER TRACK scores 97 points to place 3rd at the Rey Ramirez Invitational.

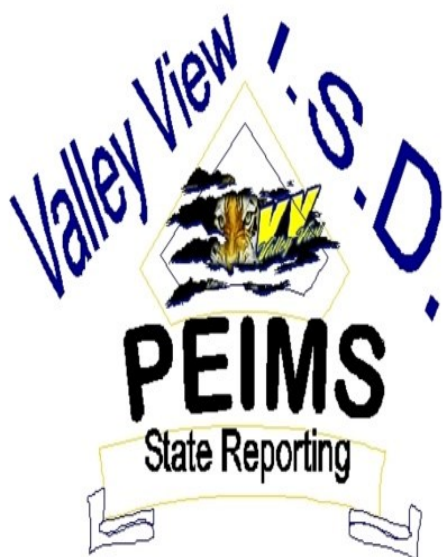


ROBERT ROSALES



Records are meant to be broken, and that was the driving force behind this athlete's goals. He's been chasing this record since he first began high jumping during his 9th-grade year. Now **Robert Rosales** can claim this record as his own. He set the New School Record at the Hudson Relays in La Feria, clearing a height of 6 feet 1 inch, narrowly beating the old record of six feet. Congratulations Robert and Keep up the Great Work.

PEIMS DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS



2015-2016

Arena **"NEW TO DISTRICT"** Registration
 Dates: Monday, Aug. 10th & Tuesday, Aug. 11th
 Time: 9-3pm
 Location: Wilbur E. Lucas Elementary – Gym

Required documents;

1. Current Water Bill or Light Bill or 2015-2016 Notary Resident Letter
2. Birth Certificate
3. Immunization Record
4. Social Security Card, if applicable
5. Parent ID
6. Secondary Grade Levels- Report Card, Disciplinary Record, Attendance
7. If registering for PK Program – require current Proof of Income to qualify! WE DO NOT ACCEPT INCOME TAX RETURNS as proof of income

VVISD Attendance – Up to Date

As of May 4, 2015

	2013-14	Yr to Date 2014-15	Differ
VV Elem.	97.95%	97.59%	-0.36%
North Elem.	97.60%	97.06%	-0.54%
Lucas Elem.	97.79%	97.32%	-0.47%
South Elem.	98.34%	97.97%	-0.37%
5th Grade	98.27%	97.82%	-0.45%
Jr. High	98.30%	97.98%	-0.32%
V.V.E.C.C.	96.22%	95.95%	-0.27%
High School	94.31%	94.87%	0.56%
DISTRICT	96.88%	96.70%	-0.18%

Congratulations to

Ms. N. Guerrero's
 2nd Grade Classroom
 for having
 100% Perfect Attendance
 from
 1st 6wks thru 4th 6wks
 Great Work!

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From the School Nurse Desk

Dear Parents,

On March 5th, 2009, the Executive Commissioner on Health and Human Services approved several revisions to the "Immunization Requirements for Children and Students in Texas Public and Private Schools"

The changes to the requirements were made in order to update the Texas elementary and secondary school immunization requirements so that they adhere more closely to the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). The changes are as follow:

Hepatitis A Vaccine: All students entering kindergarten are required to have 2 doses of Hepatitis A vaccine.

Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) Vaccine: All students entering kindergarten are required to have two doses of measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine.

Varicella Vaccine: All students entering kindergarten and 7th grade are required to have 2 doses of varicella vaccine. A written statement or legal guardian, school nurse or physician attesting to the child's positive history of varicella disease (chicken pox), or of varicella immunity, is acceptable in lieu of either dose of varicella vaccine.

Tetanus, Diphtheria and acellular pertussis-containing vaccine (Tdap): All students entering the seventh grade are required to have one dose of Tdap vaccine. Students in the seventh grade will be required to have a booster dose of Tdap only if it has been five years since their last dose of tetanus-containing vaccine. Students in grades 8-12 are required to have a booster dose of Tdap if it has been ten years since their previous dose of a tetanus-containing vaccine.

Meningococcal Vaccine: All students entering 7th grade are required to have one dose of meningococcal vaccine. Two doses of the vaccine are required for children 11 through 18. The first dose at 11 or 12 years of age, with a booster dose at age 16.

***Summer is just around the corner and would be a perfect time to ensure that all your children's immunizations are up to date.**

***Don't forget your child's 4 year old boosters, which they must have before entering Pre-K/Kinder. These include a dose of the DTap, IPV, MMR and Varicella.**

If you have any questions, as always, please call any of the school nurses in the district.

Thank you.



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Désde el Escritorio de Su Enfermera

Estimados Padres,

El 5 de marzo de 2009, la Comisión Ejecutiva de los Servicios Humanos y de Salud, aprobó varias revisiones a los "requisitos de inmunización para niños y estudiantes en las escuelas públicas y privadas de Texas".

Los cambios de los requerimientos fueron realizados para poner al día los requisitos de la inmunización de la escuela elemental hasta preparatoria en Texas a modo que se adhieran más de cerca a las recomendaciones de los centros para el control y prevención de enfermedades (CDC) y al comité consultivo sobre las prácticas de la inmunización (ACIP). Los cambios son como sigue:

Vacuna Hepatitis A: Todos los estudiantes ingresando al kinder requieren 2 dosis de vacuna de la Hepatitis A.

Vacuna del sarampion, paperas, rubeola (MMR): Todos los estudiantes ingresando al kinder requieren dos dosis de la vacuna del sarampion, paperas y rubeola (MMR).

Vacuna de la Varicela: Todos los estudiantes que se incorporan al kinder y hasta el séptimo grado requieren 2 dosis de vacuna de la varicela. Una declaración escrita de un guardia legal, una enfermera de escuela o un médico, atestiguando la historia positiva del niño sobre la enfermedad de la varicela (sífilis de pollo), o de la inmunidad de la varicela, es aceptable en lugar de cualquier dosis de la vacuna de la varicela.

Vacuna del Tétanos, Diphtheria y Tosferina-Celular (Tdap): Todos los estudiantes que se incorporan al 7 grado requieren una dosis de vacuna de Tdap. Requieren a los estudiantes en el séptimo grado tener una dosis de refuerzo de la propia vacuna Tdap solamente si han pasado 5 años desde anterior de vacuna de tétanos. Requieren a los estudiantes en grados 8 a 12 tener una dosis de refuerzo de Tdap si han pasado diez años desde la dosis anterior de dicha vacuna.

Vacuna Meningococicia: Todos los estudiantes que se incorporan al 7 grado requieren tener una dosis de vacuna meningocócica. Dos dosis de la vacuna son necesarias para niños de 11 a 18 años de edad. La primera dosis a los 11 o 12 años, con un refuerzo a los 16 años.

***El verano está casi aquí y es un tiempo perfecto para asegurarse de que las vacunas de todos sus niños están completas.**

***No se olvide de los refuerzos de su hijo de 4 años de edad/a que debe tener antes de entrar a Pre-K/Kinder. Estos incluyen un dosis de DTap, IPV, MMR y Varicela.**

Si usted tiene cualquier pregunta, favor de llamar a la escuela y pedir hablar con la enfermera.

Gracias.



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