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Cross Country Races in Coleman Invitational

by: Sydnee Gully

Cross country teams traveled to Coleman last Wednesday to race for top finishes at the Coleman Invitational meet. Both girls and boys showed up ready to run, hoping to see time improvements from last week.

The boys team was made up of Rene Cano, Cade Baker, Cooper Baker, Thomas Hillger, Kannon Flores, Clayton Hillger, and Korbin Cervantes. Thomas placed 13th, Kannon finished in 25th, Korbin raced for 33rd, and the boys placed 5th overall.

On the other side, the girls team raced well, too. Their team is made up of Ella Brinkley, Landry Baker, Claire Eggemeyer, Sophie Sullivan, Reagan Hillger, and Tori Anderson. Here, Claire finished in 28th, and Sophie was right behind her in 35th.

Both teams are excited for the next meet, and they've been working hard each morning to improve their times. This week, they're going to take on a Big Spring course on Saturday.





JV Football Dominates Ira

by: Sydnee Gully

Last week, the JV football team made the drive to Ira to face the Bulldogs in their third game of the season. They came out ready to play, hoping to see improvement from last week.

During practice, they had been working on perfecting plays and understanding their positions to ensure they work the best together. At the game, they were connected on both sides of the ball, ready to play and take down Ira together.

By the end of the game, the score was 63-14 in our favor. Their dominance on both offense and defense helped secure their win, but they're still looking to improve.

This week, they're going to be taking on a team at Bearkat Stadium on Thursday after the junior high game. Show up and support the Bearkats!



Staff Spotlight

by: Emily Easterling

This week, Nurse Goodwin was chosen to be featured for our staff spotlight! She currently teaches everyday healthy habits and health education to students, as well as helping diagnose illnesses for students throughout the school day.

Nurse Goodwin graduated from Texas Tech University studying nursing. She expressed that being a nurse has always been her dream.

“I've always wanted to be a nurse since I was a little bitty,” she said.

This year, Goodwin is most excited to watch the children grow and excel throughout the school year.

“When y'all come in at the beginning of the year, I see such a big change throughout the school year,” Goodwin stated.

Nurse Goodwin has multiple goals for this year including helping to educate young minds about their health and help inform the students who are interested in pursuing a career in medicine.

“Every year my goal is to teach kids how to be healthy and to come to school because you have to be healthy to make it in school. But I also have goals to inform the kiddos who are interested in the medical field to pursue their dreams, ask questions, and to get locked in, in whatever area they're interested in,” she explained.

Her favorite part about working in GC is being able to watch the kids grow as well as getting to be a part of her children’s education.

“I've seen many of you grow up from pre-k all the way to graduating seniors. And I also love being here with my own kids and getting to be a part of their education as well,” she said.

Nurse Goodwin has been wholeheartedly serving the kids at GC for many years, so be sure to give her a huge ‘thank you’ when you see her!

In the Classroom with Coach Hall

by: Kyleigh Roe

In Coach Hall’s fourth period class, the juniors have been exploring the different characteristics of the Gilded Age in U.S. History. Students are learning about the pros and cons of industrialization, important figures of the era, and how America became an economic powerhouse.

The class is also examining the negative social issues that developed during the Gilded Age, setting the stage for the Progressive Era and the reforms that followed. Students can be found diving into U.S. history each day around 10:30 a.m. as they continue learning about this important time period.



Students celebrate WYGW?

by: Sydnee Gully

Every month, students celebrate 'Where Are You Going Wednesday?' and CCMR Readiness days. These are made to help students think about and start having conversations about their future plans. Students typically celebrate by wearing their favorite college or technical school's shirt or spirit gear. 'Where Are You Going Wednesday?' is always a fun day, so make sure to look at the calendar to participate next month!



School celebrates Grandparents Day

by: Sydnee Gully



Last week, the school celebrated its annual Grandparents Day. Students' grandparents were invited to come eat lunch with their grandchildren so they could see them in the middle of the school day and catch up with them. Every year, students love getting to have a relaxing lunch with their grandparents, and it's always a fun day to celebrate!

Joke of the Week

How many tickles does it take to make an octopus laugh?

Ten-tickles



Students of the Week

by: Claire Eggemeyer

This week we are spotlighting two amazing students.

First up is freshman Cooper Baker, who wants to go to Texas Tech University to be an engineer or even a basketball player. He is involved in FFA, Ag, Basketball, and Cross Country, and in his free time he likes to shoot around the basketball in his barn. When asked who his role model is, he said, “My parents because they are always so supportive and helping me out.”

Baker’s favorite subject is math and he is most looking forward to learning about Spanish. His favorite part about our school is the sports facilities and his goal for this year is to get all A’s. If he could give some advice to other students in high school, it would be, “Don’t get discouraged when you mess up.”

Next up is junior Landry Dieringer, who also wants to go to Texas Tech University to be a nurse practitioner. When asked who her favorite teacher is, she said, “My mom, because she gave birth to me.” She stated that her favorite class is English, and she is most looking forward to that class because they get to read everyday.

Dieringer’s favorite hobby is reading and she is also involved in FCCLA, One Act Play, UIL, Student Council, 4-H, and NHS. Her favorite part about Garden City is the people and her goal for this year is to, “Make it through.” If she could give some advice to other high school students, it would be, “Try new things.”

Varsity Football takes down Ira Bulldogs

by: Sydnee Gully

The varsity football team picked up another win last Friday in Garden City. They faced the Ira Bulldogs, hoping to see success on both sides of the ball.

The game started with a lot of momentum for the Bearkats as Ira kicked off and senior Brody Walts returned the kick for a touchdown. With an early 6-0 lead, they were ready for the rest of the game.

Garden City's defensive pressure didn't disappoint as they forced Ira to punt the ball after a strong tackle by sophomore Thomas Hillger. With offensive possession, junior Grady Ivins and Miles Colunga tried to make a big pass play, but the Bulldog defense got in the way as they intercepted the ball. With this chance, they ran the ball into the endzone for their first touchdown of the game. Then, the score was tied up at 6-6.

This didn't stop the Bearkats' momentum, however, as they took their opportunity on offense. Walts found himself in the endzone for the second time that night, making the score 12-6. Then, the Bulldogs were forced by Garden City's defense to turn the ball over on downs.

On offense, junior Kelton Fuchs made a perfect pass to sophomore Wyatt Everett for the third Bearkat touchdown of the game, helping make the score gap even bigger at 18-6. Then, Fuchs made a big defensive play to stop them and force the Bulldogs to turn the ball over on downs again.

With another offensive opportunity, Hillger went around their whole team on the first play of the possession for a touchdown. Then, Cohen Batla topped it off with a made kick to make the score 24-6.

The Bulldogs threw away their offensive opportunity as sophomore Nathan Garcia intercepted the ball and ran it into the endzone for his first touchdown of the game. Batla made the kick again to make the score 32-6.

With this momentum, the Bearkats went on a run, scoring the next 3 touchdowns of the game. Kelton Fuchs scored the first two to make the score 46-6. Then, Walts recovered Ira's fumble to gain possession, and Fuchs took this opportunity to score the last touchdown of the game. The score was 54-6 with 35 seconds left in the half. However, the Bearkat defense made it impossible for Ira to score again, ending the game early at halftime.









After the game, mini cheer took over and did some cheers and a dance for the crowd.

This week, the football team is going to take on a strong Sands Mustangs team on Friday in Sands at 6:00. They're hoping to use their skills and connectedness to take down the Mustangs. Come and support if you can!

In the Classroom with Coach Wilburn

by: Claire Eggemeyer

This week we are taking a closer look at Coach Wilburn's History classes.

In 7th grade, they are looking at the geography of Texas and the first contact and exploration of Texas by the Spaniards.

In 8th grade, they have just finished a unit over early exploration and the colonization of North America. Now they'll be heading into the American Revolution and learning about the excitement with George Washington on Christmas night.



WEEKLY MENU

9/14-9/18

Monday

BREAKFAST PIZZA
OR CEREAL & TOAST

CHICKEN-N-WAFFLES, HASH BROWN, BABY CARROTS, RANCH FRUIT, & A CARNIVAL COOKIE

Tuesday

PANCAKE & SAUSAGE
OR CEREAL & TOAST

CHICKEN ALFREDO, GREEN BEANS, GARDEN SALAD, RANCH, FRUIT, & A ROLL

Wednesday

CHICKEN BISCUIT
OR CEREAL & TOAST

CRISPY CHICKEN SANDWICH, OVEN FRIES, BABY CARROTS, RANCH, FRUIT, & A JELLO CUP

Thursday

WAFFLES & BACON
CEREAL & TOAST

CORN DOG, TATER TOTS, GARDEN SALAD, BABY CARROTS, RANCH, & FRUIT

Friday

DONUT & SAUSAGE
OR CEREAL & TOAST

CHICKEN OR CHEESE QUESADILLA, CHARRO BEANS, ZESTY CUCUMBERS, SPANISH RICE, & FRUIT

UPCOMING EVENTS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
FCCLA RECRUITMENT WEEK	FCCLA RECRUITMENT WEEK	FCCLA RECRUITMENT WEEK	FCCLA RECRUITMENT WEEK JH/JV FOOTBALL VS SANDS	FCCLA RECRUITMENT WEEK EARLY RELEASE VARSITY FOOOTBALL AT SANDS BBQ COOKOFF - GREENWOOD

Texas FFA State Officers Visit

by: Emily Easterling

Last Wednesday, Glasscock County FFA welcomed three of the Texas FFA State Officers, including former student, Tatum Braden, for a quick workshop with our FFA members. These workshops included working together to build teamwork and reflection over personal actions. During these workshops members played games helping them to achieve their intended purpose such as charades and drawing with visual impairment. After this, they finished with reflection and a Q&A session with the State Officers.



"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better."
— Maya Angelou

