

# Weekly High Five

September 15, 2009

I hope you all have been enjoying the cooler weather this week. Fall weather means that football is in full swing. My Baylor Bears are off to a great start with a 24-21 victory at Wake Forest in the first game of the season and a bye week last week. They received votes in the Associated Press Top 25 for the first time since the third week of the 1998 season!

We had a very successful principals meeting last Thursday. I want to thank Amy Harsha and Linda Rodgers for the training on Response to Intervention, Cindy Powell for sharing information about the bond proposal, Tony Drollinger for providing business office updates, and Marilyn Evans for speaking about PDAS implementation.

The first AP Academy is this Thursday. These meetings will allow time for the APs to come together as a group and share best practices. This week they will discuss activity funds and fund raising.

Homecoming games continue this Friday with Bowie HS taking on OD Wyatt HS at Maverick Stadium and Lamar HS going up against Irving Nimitz HS at Cravens Field. Both games begin at 7:30 p.m. I encourage you to join in the festivities!

Don't forget that Remarkable Stars, the recognition opportunity launched last spring, is available [online](#). The program was created to celebrate the students, teachers and staff of the AISD. It relies on submissions, which anyone can submit via the online form. Help us recognize our wonderful students and employees; submit your Remarkable Stars today!



Jerry McCullough  
Superintendent

## AISD Education Foundation

Don't forget, Friday is the last day to contribute to the AISD Education Foundation's Employee Giving Campaign. Every dollar donated through the campaign benefits classroom instruction and is awarded through the Classroom Project or Impact grant programs. With your help, we can have a successful campaign.

The 2009 StarMaker Breakfast, the annual campaign kick-off event, is scheduled for 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22 at the PDC. StarMaker is a unique and fun breakfast that showcases our district's most creative and talented teachers and students. I hope to see some of you there!

## News to Note

There is a regularly scheduled Board meeting this Thursday.

- The Board will consider the appointment of an AP at Hutcheson JH.
- Also on the agenda is the recognition of Farrell ES for earning the Exemplary rating.
- Board meetings are broadcast live on AISD-TV Time Warner Channel 98 and [www.aisd.net](http://www.aisd.net). You can also view past meetings online anytime.

## Bit of Inspiration

"Champions aren't made in gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them – a desire, a dream, a vision. They have to have the skill and the will. But the will must be stronger than the skill."

-Muhammad Ali, Boxer

"All you have got to do is plant that seed in your mind, care for it, work steadily toward your goal, and it will become a reality."

-Earl Nightingale,  
Motivational Author

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Sept. 15-Oct. 15: Hispanic Heritage Month
- Sept. 17: Citizenship Day; School board meeting
- Sept. 18: Homecoming for Bowie and Lamar high schools
- Sept. 19: Rosh Hashanah
- Sept. 21: Id al-Fitr (End of Ramadan); International Day of Peace
- Sept. 22: Education Foundation StarMaker Breakfast; First day of autumn
- Sept. 24: College Night
- Sept. 28: Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)



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