

BRYAN ISD



Bryan ISD was well represented at the Fiestas Patrias Parade in Downtown Bryan.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Dear Bryan ISD Families,

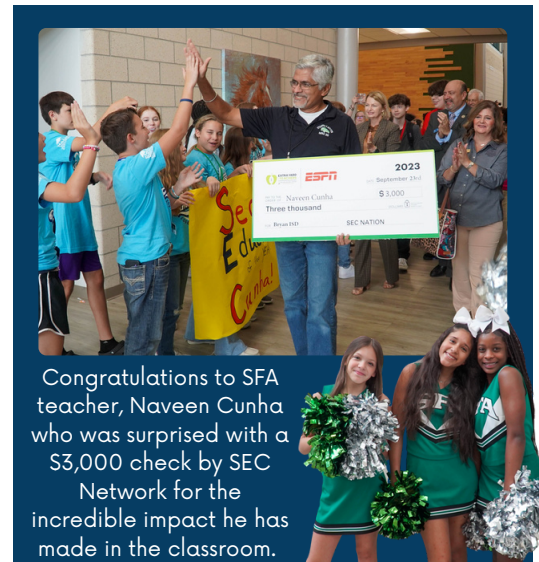
As the school year, district events, and many activities are all in full swing across Bryan ISD, I have been so excited to see the impact of family and community engagement in our schools. I commend each of you for supporting our effort to best serve our students.

Celebrations

There have been numerous celebrations happening across Bryan ISD! We are proud of Naveen Cunha, a longtime educator in Bryan ISD, and a finalist for Secondary Texas Teacher of the Year. Naveen was recognized last week by ESPN and the SEC Network for his remarkable contributions to education and to Bryan ISD. Secondly, Bryan High School senior, Grace DuBose, was named a National Merit Semifinalist. Grace is an incredibly well rounded student and has a bright future ahead of her. Lastly, Bryan ISD was well represented at the Fiestas Patrias parade in Downtown Bryan. Being able to celebrate our Hispanic culture and witness the overall support of our families and communities was amazing.

Save the Date: Parent & Family Awareness & Support Event

November 4 from 8:30-12:00 PM, Jarvis Parsons, Brazos County District Attorney, law enforcement, educators, and other community leaders will provide important information and resources related to matters that are important for families to ensure student success. This event is applicable to



Congratulations to SFA teacher, Naveen Cunha who was surprised with a \$3,000 check by SEC Network for the incredible impact he has made in the classroom.



Due to TEA revising the assessment calendar, Wednesday, Oct. 4th is a **FULL DAY** Student Holiday & Staff Development Day in Bryan ISD. This is per the calendar revision made by the Bryan ISD Board of Trustees on June 5.

all families of all ages of students. Proactive measures and education are the key to protecting and positioning our children for success. Additional details are forthcoming.

Safety and Security

- Elementary in particular, please remind your children that they cannot bring toy weapons to school. We have had several incidents recently in which students brought toy guns to show their friends because students believed it was just a "toy". These types of toys and look-a-like weapons cause concern among our school community and will result in disciplinary consequences.
- As a reminder, earlier this summer, House Bill 3 (HB3) was signed into law, requiring Texas public schools to have armed security officers present at every campus. Currently, Bryan ISD has 10 Bryan PD School Resource Officers (SROs) and one supervisor from the Bryan Police Department (BPD) who oversee Bryan and Rudder High Schools, Davila and SFA Middle Schools, Rayburn, Sadberry, and Jane Long Intermediate Schools.
- Bryan ISD has also recently partnered with TNT Security Solutions to provide armed security officers at the remainder of our schools. The newly appointed security officers are licensed as Commissioned Security Officers (also known as a Level 3 License) by the Texas Department of Public Safety. It is important to mention that the security officers will be armed, trained to use firearms and know how to respond to an active shooter and other emergency response protocols. Their extensive training is relevant to their assignment and each of them has undergone a background check that is equivalent to the background check of all district staff members. The security officers will also display a Bryan ISD employee badge, wear uniforms, and be easily identifiable. Note: the protocols established with the Bryan Police Department regarding all emergency responses will remain the same.

PLEASE LEAVE TOYS AT HOME!

This is an example of a TOY gun that has been brought to school.



We have had several incidents this school year in which students are bringing toy weapons to school. Though they are fake, many of these toys look real. Bryan ISD has a zero tolerance policy for any type of weapon to be on campus (guns, knives, swords, etc.)

More uncertainty with the Texas Education Agency Accountability System

On September 12, the Texas Education Agency once again pushed back the release date for school district ratings from the 2022-2023 school year. While they were scheduled to be released at the end of this month, TEA has postponed the date citing concerns about the reliability of the growth score data, and has continued to make changes to the calculations and methodology. For a brief breakdown of the new accountability system and how it differs from years past, please click [HERE](#) for some key points. Our district is committed to moving forward with every Bryan ISD student and proactively using data to inform and guide instruction.

As always, I sincerely appreciate your invested interest in Bryan ISD and your child's education. I look forward to continuing on with a great school year and celebrating all of our students' accomplishments.

Sincerely,

Ginger Carrabine

Ginger Carrabine
Superintendent, Bryan ISD

Bryan ISD has made enhanced communication a priority! Click [HERE](#) to see all of the ways we communicate with YOU!



Congratulations!

Here are your 2023 Rudder High School Homecoming King and Queen!
King, Trace Emola
Queen, Denise Saucedo



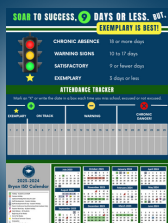
The Bryan High School Homecoming Football game is **TONIGHT** @ 7:30 at Merrill Green Stadium!

WE *loved* YOUR PICTURE SUBMISSIONS!

Your picture submissions last month were outstanding! We hope you enjoyed seeing all of them on Facebook. **Let's do it again!** With fall in the air and Halloween approaching, send us any pictures of fall festivities or cute Halloween costumes. Please submit all pictures by October 25th.

Click [HERE](#) to upload your picture!

Has your child received their attendance magnet yet? Be on the look out for the 9 Days or Less Magnet to help track your child's attendance.



Facebook



Instagram



Twitter



In case you missed it! You can find all of my most recent newsletters [here](#).

Please be sure to follow us on social media in order to see all the great things happening in Bryan ISD and be able to see important information quickly!

Congratulations to Bryan ISD Athletic Director, Janice Williamson who received the Dave Campbell's Community Connector Award!

