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The 2nd Six Weeks is upon us!

October 12, 2018

A few words from Mr. LIENDO...

I want to thank all of the students and teachers for an outstanding first six weeks of school. It was an exciting time as students learned to work with new teachers and new ways of doing things.

Speaking of something new—If you get the chance to visit our Game Gym you will see our newly painted gym. Thanks to our dedicated coaches we have a game gym with our school colors of Navy Blue and Silver. It gives our gym a fresh look and our kids are excited to show it off when they compete.

Our new Dance classes have started off with their best foot forward this school year. They are learning many different forms of dance and even got the opportunity to spend a night at the Ballet Folklorico de Mexico at the Lila Cockrell Theater.

We have had AVID classes for 7th and 8th grade but one of our new initiatives is offering AVID classes for our 6th grade students. AVID stands for Advancement Via Individual Determination and their mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.

Remember, this is your school. We are here to support you and our Coyotes. If you have time to volunteer or just stop in and visit, please know you are always welcome in COYOTE COUNTRY!

Connally Coyote Super Partners

Thank you to these community partners for all your support during the 1st six weeks of school.

STARBUCKS— 8407 Bandera Rd
KONA ICE Company

RAISING CANES—10938 Culebra Rd
BAHAMA BUCKS Company

Dyslexia Parent Information Night

October 24th
6:30—7:30pm

Dear parents and guardians, on October 24, 2018 our campus will hold a community informational session regarding Dyslexia from 6:30- 7:30pm. Those attending will gain helpful information regarding characteristics and signs of Dyslexia as well as the process for identifying children in our district, services for those who are Dyslexic, and ways to help at home. Whether your child has been identified with Dyslexia or not we encourage you to attend and don't forget to bring a friend.

Join Connally's REMIND 101 message system

If you would like to join REMIND simply text this message from your cell phone

@jcmsnisd to 81010

This allows you to have direct contact with Mr. Liendo using the Remind text system.

Parent—Teacher—Association PTA

The Connally Coyote PTA is off to an amazing start this year. You will see our PTA members working the Concession stands at the football games. Our new PTA Board has worked hard to increase membership and increase funds to help support our Coyote students. Please consider joining our PTA this year. Even if you can't make the meetings, we encourage you to join. The funds are used for our students! Membership is only \$10. So far our PTA has managed to create a new board with new members from each of our feeder schools—Timberwilde, Carson, Elrod, and Northwest Crossing Elementary. These new board members have helped to establish expectations for the school year and I am excited to see how things will work out. Thank you Mr. Bynum for all your support.

Our PTA would like to thank one of our parents, who wished to stay anonymous, for the wonderful donation that allowed us to purchase a brand new popcorn machine that will go towards students and staff for many years to come.

NORTHSIDE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Connally Middle School 2018—2019

Tutoring Schedules



The Connally School Tutoring Lists can be found on our homepage at www.nisd.net/connally. Go to Academics and click on Tutoring Schedules. This will show you when our teachers are available to help your kids. Every grade level teacher can help any student in their subject area so please encourage your child to attend tutoring.

Connally Connections

We are working very hard to make it easy to find out what you need to know about Connally Middle School. While direct mail is a favorite, it can also be expensive. With new technology available, we are trying to make it more timely and cost effective.

- Please make sure we have the most current contact information regarding your child at Connally. Sometimes numbers or addresses change. If that happens, please inform Maria Martinez, our attendance secretary. Her office number is 397-1008—email is Maria.martinez@nisd.net
- Sign up for “Parent Connection” - this is an excellent way to stay current with your child’s grades and attendance.
- Twitter! Follow us @NISDConnally
- Check out our school web site. www.nisd.net/Connally/
- Family Nights and Volunteer Opportunities

We also want you to feel comfortable being at the school. We are always looking for ways to include our parents. A few ideas to stay involved are:

- Sign up to volunteer in the front office, attendance office, counseling office, work room or library
- Become a Watchdog! We have a growing “Dads on Patrol” program.
- Join PTA! Even if you can’t make the meetings, we encourage you to join. The funds are used for our students! Membership is only \$10.
- Chaperone a school dance, Field Trip, or Field Day
- Surprise your child! Just show up for lunch one day! Yes, you can still do that in Middle School!

Dismissal Options

- ⇒ Ride the Bus—Students riding the bus must go directly and quickly to the bus loop. Buses typically leave campus by 3:48 PM (this allows 8 minutes to get to the bus)
- ⇒ Walk Home—Students walking home must leave campus IMMEDIATELY. If they need to cross Silent Sunrise, there is a crosswalk in front of the school and we will have someone monitoring from the sidewalk.
- ⇒ Parent Pick-up—Please be patient and cautious. Students will wait for you in the front of the school. We ask that you pull all the way forward, even if this means you have to drive past where your child is standing. This is the most efficient and safe method for this process. In the event of rain, we will modify this to allow students to stay under the covered areas.
- ⇒ ALL STUDENTS MUST BE OFF CAMPUS BY 4:15. Any students still on campus after 4:15 must be in a supervised activity. All others will be asked to leave campus.
- ⇒ LEARNING TREE reminder—The Learning Tree program is designed to meet the needs of children and support the goals and objectives of both Northside and the Texas Education Agency. The Learning Tree program provides academic and enrichment activities, enhanced self-motivation, social skills, and improved study skills. We also strive to engage families by offering events in a variety of topics such as communication, parenting skills, and nutrition. For more info visit—www.nisd.net/learning-tree/

SOME IMPORTANT DATES TO ADD TO YOUR CALENDAR:

October 9th	First Day of the 2nd Six Weeks
October 10th	Football vs ZACHRY- 7th Away/8th Home
October 11th (4-5:30pm)	6th Grade Party—I Survived the First 6 Weeks
October 11th (5-8pm)	Choir—8th Grade Performs at Warren HS
October 12th	Volleyball vs Zachry - 7th Home/8th Away
October 12th	Report Cards Go Home
October 15th (6-8pm)	Band Concert
October 17th	Football vs Garcia - 7th Home/8th Away
October 18th	Fall Picture Day through PE classes
October 18th	Volleyball vs Garcia- 7th Away/8th Home
October 19th (4-8pm)	Choir Region Auditions @ Warren HS
October 19th (6:30-9:00pm)	7th/8th Volleyball Teams @ Warren HS Game
October 20th (8-8pm)	Choir Region Auditions @ Warren HS
October 22nd (6:30–7:30pm)	PTA General Meeting
October 23rd (6:30-8:00pm)	Choir Concert
October 24th	Football vs Rawlinson - 7th Home/8th Away
October 24th (6:30-7:30pm)	Dyslexia Parent Information Night
October 25th	Volleyball vs Rawlinson - 7th Away/8th Home
October 25th (5-7pm)	Theater Arts—Thrill A Mill—Dance Night
October 26th	Choir Real Men Sing
October 29th	Student Progress Reports Go Home
October 30th (6:30-8pm)	Orchestra HauntCert
October 31st	Football vs Stinson - 7th Away/8th Home
November 1st	Volleyball vs Stinson - 7th Home/8th Away
November 2nd (3:40–4:30)	Orchestra Ice Cream Social
November 3rd (7-6pm)	MS Band—All Region Auditions
November 3rd (8-5)	Choir Clinic & Concert @ Brandies HS
November 5th, 6th & 9th	Fall Musical—Theater and Choir
November 6th	Football B Teams vs Rudder 7th Home/8th Away
November 7th	Football A Teams vs Rudder 7th Home/8th Away
November 8th	Volleyball vs Rudder - 7th Away/8th Home
November 9th & 10th	Volleyball A-Team Tournament
November 12th, 13th & 14th	Basketball Tryouts—7th AM / 8th PM
November 14th (6-7pm)	Interpretations: Music and Art of Pixar
November 15th (6-7pm)	AVID 8th Gr. Parent Night
November 16th	END OF 2ND SIX WEEKS

ATTENTION COYOTE ATHLETES

Basketball Tryouts start November 12th. Practice also starts immediately after tryouts. Make sure that your child has their Physical up to date and paperwork turned into the Coaches before tryouts. Students cannot participate in athletics without a physical. Athletic Paperwork Instructions can be viewed on the Connally Website. Click on [Connally Coyote Athletic Form](#)