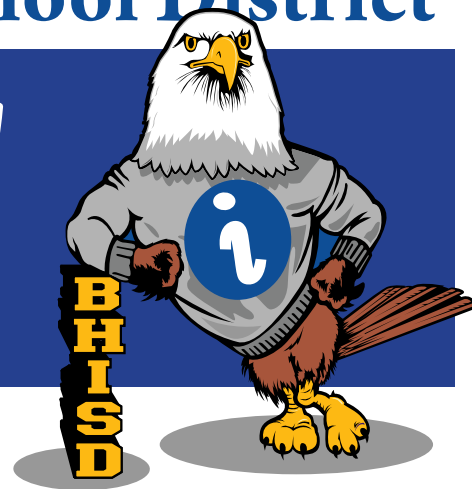


# Barbers Hill Independent School District

# EAGLE



Summer 2013

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OF BLUE



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OF  
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GO FOR THE GOLD 2013  
*A Tradition of Excellence... by any measure*



## Superintendent's Welcome



Dr. Greg Poole

At a recent Hall of Honor induction ceremony, Al Mills, the master of ceremonies and a 1959 Barbers Hill ISD graduate, bemoaned the fact that now our community actually has red lights! Change is a constant, but it seems to have increased its pace here recently. Industrial activity on "the hill" has risen dramatically. Barbers Hill ISD is beginning one of the largest facility build-outs in our history and yes ... we are getting more red lights. How comforting then, that there are things in our district that haven't changed since 1959. Once again, success is the norm for the Eagles of Barbers Hill.

Our high school celebrated its 17th consecutive sweepstakes win at the district level of academic UIL competition. At the state level, we had students place in nearly every category possible – in Ag, Theatre, Band, Choir, Debate, and Academics, in addition to athletes in Track, Golf and Cross Country who brought home medals from the capital. Our tradition remains strong – Excellence, by any measure!

### BHISD VISION STATEMENT

*Barbers Hill ISD envisions academic excellence characterized by goal-driven, college/career ready graduates who are responsible, accountable, contributing members of society.*

## Principals of the Year

Elementary  
(K-6)



Dennis Wagner  
Barbers Hill Elementary

Secondary  
(7-12)



Rick Kana  
Barbers Hill High School

## Teachers of the Year

Elementary



Laura Johnson  
Kindergarten Teacher  
Kindergarten Center

Secondary



Bret McDonald  
Architectural Design and  
Construction Technology  
High School

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## Congratulations Class of 2013



The Barbers Hill Class of 2013 included 288 seniors. Of those, 190 received scholarship offers totaling over \$2 million.



Barbers Hill senior Jordan Jacobs greeted Board of Trustee member Carmena Goss before receiving his diploma.



*The Class of 2013 Top 10 students by rank:* Lacy Rutledge, Valedictorian, Melissa Gerhart, Salutatorian, Sabrina Galloway (seated), Bailey Jones, Tara Ramsey, Amy Karl, Nita Bellard, Jelissa Guerrero, Jakob Gunderson, Leanne Horn, (seated).



### Valedictorian



Lacy Rutledge

Parents: Ronald and Celia Rutledge

GPA: 109.738

College: Texas A&M University

Favorite Teacher: Heidi Airey,  
Chemistry

Favorite Barbers Hill Memory:  
FFA activities and the interesting  
bus rides, and exploding pumpkins  
in the Chemistry lab.

### Salutatorian



Melissa Gerhart

Parents: Larry and Linda Gerhart

GPA: 108.936

College: Texas A&M University

Favorite Teacher: JoAnn Fisher,  
pre-AP Language Arts

Favorite Barbers Hill Memory:  
The trip to Austin my sophomore  
year for UIL State Spelling com-  
petition - with Mrs. Fisher and my  
best friend Haley.





# GOING FOR THE GOLD IN 2013



ATHLETICS



Eagles of the Year

Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo  
Rodeo Art  
BHISD Best of Show  
2013



Erin Houthoofd



Amber Fanning



Rosemary Salcido-Magdaleno

Barbers Hill High School Academic UIL Team won the District Sweepstakes trophy for the 17th consecutive year this spring. Over 50 high school students tested in 21 subject areas for the competition, bringing home 30 medals, including 7 First Place Teams and 8 First Place Individual trophies.



## OUTSTANDING EAGLES

Senior Joseph Merritt brought home 5 District UIL medals, including 1st place Overall Science, 1st place Physics, 1st place Chemistry, 1st place Mathematics and 2nd place Biology.



The director of High School PALs (Peer Assistance & Leadership), Deandra McBride, was awarded a Goldin Foundation Award this year for coordinating 33 PALs as mentors for nearly 150 younger students on BH campuses.



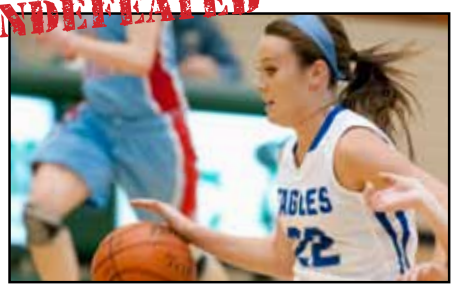
School Nutrition Director Susan LeBlanc earned a place in the Annual Bragging Rights issue of Texas School Business magazine for her Gardening program at the Primary School. Only 12 programs are selected in the state to be recognized each year.



PLAY LIKE A GIRL

Girls Basketball District Champs

UNDEFEATED



Girls Tennis District Champs



Softball District Champs

UNDEFEATED



Volleyball District Champs

UNDEFEATED



Girls Golf District Champs



UNDEFEATED

## BASEBALL DISTRICT CHAMPS



Barbers Hill Football Team, Boys Track, and the undefeated District Champion Baseball Team also had outstanding years. For more details on the Sports Year in Review, visit our website's Athletics page.



Way to go, Eagles!



Christian Thames  
Kierstin Santana

Academic  
Eagle of the Year



Amy Karl  
with Principal Rick Kana



Eagles bring the name of Barbers Hill to the state level every year through competitions in academics, arts, athletics, and agriculture. Here are our top students who placed in Austin in 2013:



Junior Marie Labonte won 3rd Place in Texas in UIL Editorial Writing.

# STATE of the ARTS

## STATE ACADEMICS



Middle School students Morgan Phillips, Noah George, Mason McManus, Sponsor Teeya Thornton, Charlie Hayman, Riley Griffin, and Blake Lee were members of the Texas Quiz Show Team this year. The team won 3rd Place in the state for their knowledge of Texas history.



The Academic Decathlon Team advanced to state competition this year in its 2nd year as a team. Top row: Joseph Merritt, Wyatt Carnes, Keith Carnes, Chris Childress, Jaleb Sherman, Middle: Coach Cheyne Cox, Kelsey Hudspeth, Sabrina Galloway, Andrew Lopez, Sterling Hall, Bottom: Marie Labonte, Coach Frankie Verner.



The CX Debate Team of Kyle Diamond and Luke Anderton were State and National Qualifiers in the Texas Forensic Association's debate competition.



Seventh-grader Logan Stewart won 1st Place in the state in the Geography Awareness Poster Contest.



Barbers Hill One Act Play won 3rd Place in the state with their performance of William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." This was the 5th consecutive appearance at state competition for One Act Play. In 2009, OAP placed 3rd, in 2011 they placed 2nd, and in 2010 and 2012 they were State Champions.

## CHOIR and BAND



Five BHHS Choir students, clockwise from left: Jordan Jacobs, Bryce Smith, Kacie Coates, Amber Hensley and Leanne Horn, earned Gold Medals for Superior performances at UIL State Solo and Ensemble competition in Austin in May.



BHHS Band students earned Gold Medals at UIL State Solo and Ensemble competition: Percussion Ensemble (top) Ethan Hann, Jeremy Nicholai, Taylor Temple, Haley Wilburn, Brea Baygents, Ryan Boudreaux, and Taylor Ford; Piano soloist Nathan Neff, and Wind Ensemble (left) Ryan Wade, Caleb Powers, Nicole Guentzel and Jakob Gunderson.



Senior Kierstin Santana won 4th Place in the 800m run at the State Track Meet.

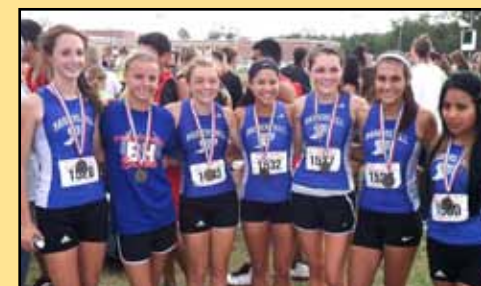


Junior Emily Gunderson won 3rd Place in Pole Vault at the State Track Meet.

## STATE ATHLETICS



Sophomore Kirsten Johnston participated in the State Cross Country Track Meet in the fall, placing 14th in Texas in the 5K run.



Barbers Hill Girls Cross Country Team participated in the State CC Meet, placing 10th among Texas 4-A schools.



Junior Ashlyn Hendricks became the first Lady Eagle golfer in history to participate in the State Tournament, where she placed 21st in Texas.

## STATE AG



Senior Rhett Wilson, President of BH FFA and of FFA District 9, was recently elected as a State FFA Officer, one of only 10 in Texas.



FFA State Lone Star Degrees, the highest award in the organization, were awarded to 14 BHHS students this year, the most ever attained at BHSD in a single year.



FFA students Hayden Parsons, Logan Parsons, Blake Dixon and Mason Wilks were State Champs in the Sporting Clays event (with over 600 participants).



# The many faces of **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

Everything Barbers Hill ISD does – from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade – has a goal of helping students grow into goal-driven, college and career-ready graduates who are responsible, accountable, contributing members of society. As educators, we recognize that the attainment of this goal will look different for each child, which is why Barbers Hill offers many options to help students prepare for the future.

For students who know that a college degree is necessary to meet their career goals – whether through a two-year Associate's Degree, a four-year Bachelor's Degree, or higher – Barbers Hill offers Advanced Placement (AP) and Dual Credit (DC) courses at the high school, and pre-AP courses at the middle school and high school. These rigorous classes are designed to prepare students for self-directed learning that will be needed in the college curriculum, while providing opportunities to earn college credit as a high school student. This year, nearly 700 students participated in AP and DC classes.

## ADVANCED PLACEMENT



AP Chemistry



AP Physics



AP Art



AP World History

Advanced Placement courses are available in all four core subject areas: Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies. These include traditional subjects such as AP Biology and AP Calculus, as well as newer courses like AP Statistics and AP Environmental Science. Students enrolled in AP classes earn high school credit and have the opportunity at the end of the year to take approved College Board exams to earn college credit and/or placement.

## DUAL CREDIT



DC English 4



Architectural Design



Computer Drafting



DC World History

Through partnerships with participating community colleges, Barbers Hill High School offers students the opportunity to earn high school credit and college hours simultaneously in Dual Credit courses. To enroll in a DC course, students must receive approval from administration, apply for admission to the community college, and meet all of the college's requirements for admission. In addition, students pay adjusted college tuition fees for DC courses. BHHS offers a wide variety of DC courses, including Ag Power Systems, Engineering Design (CAD), Cosmetology, History and Psychology.

**692**  
the number of  
AP/DC  
students served  
at BHHS last year

## CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION



Nutrition and Wellness



Graphic Design

We encourage students to take advantage of every educational and extra-curricular opportunity at Barbers Hill. A well-rounded student is a better-educated student who is also better prepared to enter adulthood as a responsible, accountable, contributing, and confident member of society.

For students who want to enter the workforce as soon as possible after graduation, Barbers Hill High School offers over 30 courses through its Career and Technology Education (CATE) department. Some of these courses double as DC courses that flow into Lee College degree programs, and others even offer the opportunity to earn a Lee College Certificate of Completion as a high school senior. This year, **872** students participated in CATE courses at the high school. Whatever area of interest a student may have, Agriculture, Industry, Technology, or more, BHHS offers courses to help students be better prepared to complete their training and begin working after graduation.

Many students in Barbers Hill participate in all of the categories listed above: pre-AP, AP, DC, and CATE courses, choosing to "try on" different types of classes in search of the perfect mix for their talents and interests.



Animal Science



Digital Animation and Web Technologies



Health Science



Agricultural Mechanics and Metal Technology



Commercial Photography



Construction Technology



Law Enforcement

## Need help deciding?

BHHS Counseling Center  
281.576.2221, ext. 1211



James Harris  
Counselor



Shari Lippe  
Counselor



Leah Veazey  
Counselor



Laura Acosta  
CATE Coordinator



BARBERS HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS



Barbers Hill Elementary School (current), pictured at lower right, will become Barbers Hill Elementary South in 2014 when additions are complete.



Barbers Hill Elementary School North (being constructed behind Eagle Stadium) will open in Fall, 2014, for grades 2-5.



WATCH US GROW

Barbers Hill voters passed a \$75 million bond in 2011 that addressed continued growth trends in our area. The bond includes funds for construction of a new elementary campus as well as expansions and renovations to existing campuses.

In response to studies which show that younger students perform best when they are housed in one campus for multiple years, the Board made the difficult decision, but one that is best for students, to begin zoning in Barbers Hill. The Board and Barbers Hill administrators worked together to form a new facilities plan and grade configuration which will allow students to begin school together, to remain Eagles in grades 2-8, and to re-unite at the high school for grades 9-12.

Under the zoning plan, the district will be categorized into North and South zones for grades 2-8, with Interstate 10 forming a natural dividing line.



Barbers Hill Elementary School North

Great care has been taken by our administrative, athletics and fine arts staff to ensure that each campus will offer equal opportunities for students in both the classroom and in extra-curricular activities.

We invite you to visit the Bond 2011 webpage regularly to view photos of our progress toward August, 2014!



A view of the new Barbers Hill Elementary School North, as seen from the visitor-side bleachers in Eagle Stadium.

WHAT'S AHEAD in 2014

Pre-K, K, and Grade 1

The current Kindergarten Center and Primary School will serve pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and first grade students from all of Barbers Hill, with no zoning.

Grades 2-5

Barbers Hill Elementary North, which is currently under construction along Perry Road and behind Eagle Stadium, will open for students in grades 2-5 who reside north of Interstate 10. The current Elementary School, which is being expanded at this time, will become Barbers Hill Elementary South and will serve students in grades 2-5 who reside south of Interstate 10.

Grades 6-8

Barbers Hill Intermediate School is being remodeled with additional new science labs and other features for conversion to a middle school serving grades 6-8. In August, 2014, it will be renamed Barbers Hill Middle School South and will serve students who reside south of Interstate 10. The current Middle School will become Barbers Hill Middle School North and will serve students in grades 6-8 who reside north of Interstate 10.

Grades 9-12

Barbers Hill High School will serve all Eagles in grades 9-12, with no zoning.



SAVE THE DATES

BACK TO SCHOOL  
Monday, August 26

EAGLE LAUNCH  
2013-14

Meet the teacher • Bring your supplies • Get ready to soar!

GRADE	DATE	TIME	PLACE
PK/K	Aug. 20	5:30-7:30 p.m.	Kinder Center
1st	Aug. 21	6:45-7:45 p.m.	Primary
2nd	Aug. 21	5:30-6:30 p.m.	Primary
3rd	Aug. 22	7:00-8:00 p.m.	Elementary
4th	Aug. 22	5:30-6:30 p.m.	Elementary
5th	Aug. 19	6:00-6:45 p.m.	Intermediate
6th	Aug. 19	7:00-7:45 p.m.	Intermediate
7th and New Students	Aug. 22	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Middle
9th Orientation	Aug. 14	6:00 p.m.	High School

Regular Registration Dates

New Students

August 7 & 8 8:30 - 11 a.m., 1 - 6 p.m.

Returning Students

August 12 8:30 - 11:00 a.m.  
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

August 13 Noon - 7:00 p.m.

\*for more info, visit bhisd.net



Online Registration



Barbers Hill ISD will offer Online Registration for the first time this year for 2013-14 returning students.

Visit our website, [www.bhisd.net](http://www.bhisd.net), and click on Skyward Family Access (top right corner) to complete the process for each child. Detailed instructions were sent home with your child's report card, including your current Login ID and Password.

• Online registration will only be open **July 1-30, 2013**. If you do not have a personal computer with internet access, you may register online at Barbers Hill Middle School from 1:00 - 7:00 p.m. on **July 9 or July 23**.

• **Campus-specific forms** will be available on the Barbers Hill website Registration page as well. Please complete, print, and bring forms to regular Registration on August 12 or 13.

• All returning students must finish the registration process **in person** during Registration on August 12 or 13. A parent or legal guardian must accompany students under the age of 18. Please bring all completed forms to Registration, along with a **current utility bill** (gas, water, electric, satellite or cable) showing name and physical or service address. If forms are not completed online by July 30, they must be completed online at your child's campus during Registration.





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