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THE POWER OF BLUE

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Abby McManus, Valedictorian



MacKenzie Daniels, Salutatorian

Keeping the Tradition



A Tradition of Excellence . . . by any measure



Superintendent's Welcome



The only constant is change, and this truism is being played out in Barbers Hill ISD in a very positive way. People continue to choose

to bring their children into our district, and that has created a growth unlike any surrounding school district. The Barbers Hill School Board is determined that this growth be managed positively, and I am proud that our tradition of excellence continues to stand undiluted.

Case in point is our recent bond initiative approved by voters. We sought community and staff input, and every decision was strategically made with the goal of maintaining the core ingredients of who we are.

Barbers Hill ISD has doubled in size in the last 16 years and is projected to do so again in even quicker fashion. However, our Barbers Hill brand stands strong, and the School Board and administration are firm in the commitment that growth will be managed positively, and Barbers Hill will continue to be the best district in the state!

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.

The Power of

B

Baytown Area Relay for Life – 3 consecutive years Most Money Raised Overall, Most Money Raised by a School



BHHS Business Professionals of America – Lauren Manuel, 1st place in State, Legal Office Procedures



One Act Play – “The Caucasian Chalk Circle,” Runner-up in State Championship



UIL Spelling Competition – Melissa Gerhart, 6th place in State



BHHS Academic UIL Competition– District Sweepstakes, 15th consecutive year



Grades 2-6 Academic UIL Competition – District Sweepstakes



Soaring Eagle Marching Band – Straight 1's in UIL Marching Competition



BHHS-FFA – Emily Hoffman and “Honey,” 1st place, Junior Breeding Heifer Division, Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo



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Barbers Hill voters approve Bond

On May 14, 2011, Barbers Hill voters passed a \$75 million bond initiative that includes construction of three elementary campuses as well as expansion to existing campuses. The construction will meet the demand of a growing student population during the next decade.

The bond is the 14th bond issue to be presented to voters since Barbers Hill was founded in 1929, and it continues a tradition of community support for schools -- every bond in BHISD history has received majority voter approval.

"I've always believed Barbers Hill is the best district in Texas, and this vote of confidence confirms that once again," said Superintendent Dr. Greg Poole. "We know these are difficult economic times for many, and that makes this decision by voters even more remarkable. It underscores our community's deep commitment to provide quality education for students."

With 1,110 voters casting ballots, Proposition 1 passed with a 78% approval rate and Proposition 2 passed with a 77% approval rate.

Proposition 1 includes the construction of a new 4th and 5th grade campus adjacent to the current elementary school, with a shared cafeteria and



High School expansion to accommodate growth in Band, Choir, Dance, and Theatre Arts (expansion shown in blue, gray on left)

library, and an additional 2nd and 3rd grade campus together with a 4th and 5th grade campus with similar shared facilities. It also includes renovations to the current Intermediate campus which will become a second middle school in the future, and capital outlay funds for the purchase of necessary furniture, equipment and buses.

Proposition 2 includes an inter-school road that will connect Perry Avenue to FM 565 East. It allows classroom expansion at Barbers Hill High School to accommodate growing participation in Band, Choir, Dance and Theatre Arts, as well as athletic facility improvements at the Auxiliary Field and visitor side of Eagle Stadium, and artificial turf at Eagle Stadium. Construction has already begun on selected bond projects.

Investing in Barbers Hill ISD - If you are interested in purchasing BHISD bonds, which are sold in increments of \$5000 each, contact your registered broker or financial advisor. Please see our website, www.bhisd.net, for more information.



Bond project construction began immediately following graduation ceremonies this summer.

Quotable

"With the number of younger students continuing to rise, we have to prepare now in order to meet their education needs in three years and beyond."

Carmena Goss
2010-11 Board President





The Barbers Hill Class of 2011 Top Ten: (*front*) Alessa Hutter (4) Trinity University, Emily Jones (10) Texas A&M University, Tyler Fry (6) Texas A&M University, Sara White (3) Texas A&M University, Jaimie Zuccha (7) University of Houston. (*standing*) Kirsten Terry (8) Texas A&M University, Mary Mudd (9) Texas A&M University, MacKenzie Daniels (2) University of Houston Honors College, Abby McManus (1) Lamar University, Gabriella Avila (5) Lamar University.



Jon Green and Blaine Grant



Senior Class Officers Jenna Silva, Anthony Caldwell, Carli Manchaca and Mary Mudd.

Congratulations Class of 2011 You can, You will, You're Barbers Hill



Powderpuff victorious Seniors 2011



Alessa Hutter, Sara White and Abby McManus



Krystal Smith receives her cap and gown before graduation ceremonies.



Sergio Romo



*Valedictorian
Abby McManus*



Kelsie Lee



*Salutatorian
MacKenzie Daniels*



James Santana



*Class President
Carli Manchaca*

EAGLE SPORTS

Tradition of Champions

BARBERS HILL



*Athletic Director
Ronnie Gage*

“GAGE-ING” YEAR ONE

As I reflect on the 2010-2011 year in athletics, I consider it a very successful year for our programs. From start to finish we were competitive and successful. This is a reflection of the coaches we have and the athletes who give of themselves so much.

As we finish up the year, I would like to thank our seniors who have been so instrumental in setting the tone for each sport. I wish each one of you continued success in all your endeavors.

I would also like to thank the parents for trusting us with their kids and for supporting Barbers Hill Athletics. Also a special thanks to our administration and teachers for their continued support. The great tradition of Eagle Athletics is strong because so many have given and continue to give so much. I am excited about the 2011-2012 school year.



SPECIAL PEOPLE

performing **SPECIAL SERVICES**

Barbers Hill ISD Special Services Department

Director of Special Services

Sue Garcia

Special Services Coordinator

Heidi Young

Diagnosticians

Marilyn Keown, Lesley Kinkaid

Licensed Specialists in School
Psychology - Diagnosticians

Brandi Herrera, Melanie Brown

Speech Pathologists

Kendra Horn, Alicia Sorrells

Bonita Williamson, Donna Mitchell

Vision Impaired Specialist

Cindy Harber

Homebound Instructor

Alice McCoy

Administrative Assistants

Debbie Michalsky

Mary Chain

Brenda Keith



The Special Services Department: (seated) Heidi Young and Sue Garcia. (standing) Marilyn Keown, Lesley Kinkaid, Mary Chain, Brandi Herrera, Cindy Harber, Melanie Brown, Brenda Keith and Debbie Michalsky.

Every student in Barbers Hill ISD is unique. And every staff member works daily to help each student reach their full potential in the classroom and in life. But some children face greater obstacles to learning because of physical, mental or social challenges. Some have a hearing, vision or language impairment, while others live with Downs syndrome, Autism or cancer. Some of these challenges are temporary, others are permanent.

If parents think their child may have a special need, or if their child has received a medical diagnosis that indicates a need for early intervention or special education, that's where Barbers Hill Special Services Department goes to work.



Leo Castillo and Aide Pam Townley on a field trip from Barbers Hill Elementary.



Courtney Davis and PAL Andrew McMillan honed their Two-Step at the Valentine's Dance this year.

The Special Services Department includes Speech and Language Pathologists, Licensed Specialists in School Psychology, Educational Diagnosticians, Vision Therapist, a home-bound educator, on-site teachers, para-professionals, and administrative assistants. Together, they serve 270 students ages three to twenty-one in BHISD.

Upon initial contact, the child is evaluated by trained staff, recommendations are proposed, and an individual education plan is developed. If the child is younger than three years old, he is referred to a sister program in Baytown. On the child's third birthday, she may begin the Early Childhood Program housed at Barbers Hill Kindergarten Center. Children's Individualized Education Plans are updated yearly and monitored throughout the year. This process continues until dismissal criteria have been achieved.

The goal of the Special Services Department is to help integrate family, school and community resources while tailoring unique educational plans for each student served, helping them to reach their greatest potential in a loving, supportive learning environment.

If your child or someone you know may qualify for Special Services, contact Sue Garcia, Barbers Hill Director of Special Services, at 281.576.2221, ext. 1307.

Quotable

"The students are the best part of my job. It is exciting to see a child learn or do something that they were unable to do before we began working together. I cannot express the fulfillment I receive from working with the students of BHISD."

Melanie Brown, M.A. LSSP

Speech Pathologists Bonita Williamson, Kendra Horn, Alicia Sorrells and Donna Mitchell.



Pre-K teacher Kayce Prater leads music time during an Early Childhood class at Barbers Hill Kindergarten Center.



Aide Farrah Ibarra (left) assists Brandi Randolph during a cooking lesson at Barbers Hill High School.



Aide Christi Richards helps pre-K student Hunter Root with an art project at Barbers Hill Kindergarten Center.



Barbers Hill Kindergarten Center

BH Kindergarten Center housed 375 students this year, including the Early Childhood program, pre-K, and 18 Kindergarten classrooms. Next year, the campus will welcome the district's first tuition-supported pre-K.

Principal: Lisa Watkins

Asst. Principal: Mandy Malone



Barbers Hill Kindergarten Center students graduated as the Kindergarten class of 2011, and the future Class of 2023.



What's the best bug to find on your plate? The edible, yummy kind, discovered kindergartner Paige Parks.



Rayne White and classmates enjoyed making butter during one of the KC's many hands-on activities..



Sophia Talbott-Solis, Austin Deshotel and Cody Freudenberg were Indians for the Thanksgiving Feast in November.

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Barbers Hill Primary School

Barbers Hill Primary School houses grades one and two, with 18 sections of first grade and 17 sections of second grade. Combined, there are 634 students at the campus.

Principal: Kirven Tillis

Asst. Principal: Tena Burgess



Field trip buddies Bryce Huckaby, Brennan McDonald, Aaron Ramos and Xavier Oxford



Haley Moye enjoyed Veteran's Day with a very special veteran in November.



Food Services Director Susan LeBlanc partnered with Primary School teachers to raise a garden with students in the fall and spring.



Dinosaurs were anything but extinct at Barbers Hill Primary's "DinoStars" musical led by teacher Pam Easum.



Space Day at Barbers Hill Primary looked stellar to Riley O'Connor from inside an astronaut's helmet.

Barbers Hill Elementary School

EXEMPLARY
CAMPUS
2010



Conner Carlisle & Manuel Elizondo celebrated Camp Write-Along this spring before the TAKS Writing test. BHE earned Commended on Writing in '09-'10.



The 4th-grade Spring Follies, directed by music teacher Sharon Macon, was enjoyed by faculty, parents and students alike.



The Principal's Challenge, which encourages students to read and test successfully in the Accelerated Reader Program, was met by hundreds of BHE students.

Barbers Hill Elementary includes grades three and four. With 605 students this year, the campus was evenly divided into 16 classes of each grade level. BHE earned a Gold Performance Acknowledgement from TEA for Commended TAKS scores in Writing.

Principal: Sue Chatham

Asst. Principal: Fred Cappadona



Reagan Cox, Justin Karl, Caleb Durham and Bryson Rexford portrayed The Beatles at the 4th-grade Wax Museum this May.

Barbers Hill Intermediate School

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2010



Barbers Hill Intermediate 5th-graders celebrated Colonial Day with costumes, cooking, games and crafts, culminating their first semester study of American History.



BH Intermediate 6th-graders Kailey Gillings, M'Lynn Murphy and Macey McCartney had fun with experiments in Science class this year.



BHI Band led by Director Lisa Stone included 140 students learning new instruments and musical literacy this year. Next year's band will be even bigger!

Barbers Hill Intermediate School includes fifth and sixth grades. With 731 students, it is the second-largest campus after the high school. BHI earned Gold Performance Acknowledgements from TEA last year for Attendance and Commended TAKS scores in Reading, Math and Science.

Principal: Rick Kana

Asst. Principal: Becky McManus



Caleb Fuentes, Caden Hendricks, Bryce Bonnin, Cameron Hendricks, Blake Courville and Caleb Shows showed Eagle Spirit as a TIFI team.

Barbers Hill Middle School

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Barbers Hill Middle School includes grades seven and eight. The campus was home to 652 students this year, with 313 in 7th-grade and 339 in 8th-grade. The campus earned two Gold Performance Acknowledgements last year including Commended on Writing and Commended on Social Studies.

Principal: Lance Murphy

Asst. Principals: Patrick Hendricks and Linda Gerhart



2011 Chambers County Historical Commission Essay Contest winners were 7th-graders Josh Fanin, Matt MacDonald, Ian Richter and Haley Melton (Grand Prize winner).



Autumn Green and Autumn Watson participated in the Art Chair Affair this fall. Chairs were designed and decorated by art students and then auctioned. Proceeds benefitted charity.



BH Middle School's Gifted and Talented students participated in "Odyssey of the Mind" competition for the first time this year, and brought home top honors.



BHMS Band included 175 students this year, one of the largest bands ever at the campus. Bond monies approved by voters will allow construction of an expanded Band Hall at the High School to accommodate these upcoming Marching Band members.



DAEP/EPIC 2010-2011 Highlights



Jim Bergstrom
Principal

- * 81.5% of all TAKS tests taken by DAEP/EPIC students were passed, of which 16.3% were at the level of commended performance.
- * DAEP/EPIC had a recidivism rate (students who returned to the program during the year) of 6.3%.

- * Monthly a box of non-perishable food items was donated from DAEP/EPIC students and staff to the Mont Belvieu Food Pantry.
- * DAEP/EPIC partnered with Barbers Hill Primary school to donate over 300 Christmas presents to United Way, which were distributed to less fortunate families at Christmas.
- * Over \$200 was donated by DAEP/EPIC students and staff for this year's Relay for Life.
- * Jim Bergstrom, principal of DAEP/EPIC, was a speaker at the Texas Association of Alternative Education conference in Austin. The topic: "Learning to Use the 'Life Tools' for Getting Back on the Road to Success."

1st

Teachers of the Year

Barbers Hill Secondary Teacher of the Year Kelli Rinando teaches 11th grade English at the High School. She has taught six years in BHISD and 14 years in education.



"I really enjoy seeing the kids learn and grow while experiencing all of the excitement and good times that high school brings. It is truly rewarding to see them turn into young adults and realize the potential they have within them," said Rinando.

Barbers Hill Elementary Teacher of the Year Angie Sarria teaches second grade at Barbers Hill Primary. She has taught seven years in BHISD.

"Teaching children is such a rewarding job," Sarria said. "Seeing the growth and progress they make each year makes it all worthwhile. There is never a dull moment and each day is different."



Barbers Hill FFA student Hannah Donnelly (center) participated in the annual Ag Adventure Day for 1st-graders. Primary students were able to pet farm animals, practice roping, ride a horse, observe bees making honey, and much more. The event was sponsored by ExxonMobil.



Jeremy Neff, Patrick Labonte and Taylor Meadows worked on a propulsion project at Eagle Pointe under the direction of Physics teacher Tammy Banks.



A panel of women engineers from ExxonMobil visited Barbers Hill to discuss their roles during a Q&A with upper class girls interested in engineering careers.

At the Top of The Hill

Barbers Hill High School welcomed 1191 students this year, with 275 seniors, 250 juniors, 323 sophomores, and 343 freshmen. Although BHHS is one of the smallest 4-A schools in our district, students continued the tradition of earning top awards in UIL academic competition, including the 15th consecutive UIL sweepstakes award. BHHS also earned four Gold Performance Acknowledgements for scores on Advanced Placement tests, the number of College-Ready Graduates, Texas Success Initiative in Math, and Commended in Social Studies.

Principal: Tom Holland

Asst. Principals: Bruce Taylor, Dennis Wagner and Robin Waller.



Limiting reactant stoichiometry never tasted so good, as Taylor Ford discovered during his s'mores experiment in Heidi Airey's pre-AP Chemistry lab.



Academic UIL Coordinator Carol Baker displays the High School's UIL Sweepstakes trophy - the 15th consecutive top honor earned by our Eagles.



Brenna Yowell and Tara Frazier were selected as alternate and representative, respectively, for American Legion Girls State 2011.



Tyler Sager and Trey Thompson were selected as American Legion Boys State representatives, with Andrew McMillan as alternate for 2011.



Jennifer Miller and Steven Moorman take a stand with their French horn section during the Soaring Eagle Band's spring concert.



Barbers Hill High School Theatre Department's One-Act Play, "The Caucasian Chalk Circle," advanced to State competition this year, earning second place among Class 4-A schools.



Lauren Manuel earned first place in the Texas Business Professionals of America Legal Office Procedures contest. In May, she represented Barbers Hill in Washington, D.C. at the national competition.

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BARBERS HILL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 2011 – 2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR – REVISED**

JULY 2011				
M	T	W	T	F
				SH
4	5	6	7	SH
11	12	13	14	SH
18	19	20	21	SH
25	26	27	28	SH

SH: Summer Hours/Offices Closed

AUGUST				
M	T	W	T	F
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8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

SEPTEMBER				
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OCTOBER				
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31				

NOVEMBER				
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DECEMBER				
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First Semester

1st Six Weeks: 29 Days
2nd Six Weeks: 24 Days
3rd Six Weeks: 27 Days

Total Days 1st Semester: 80

Student Instructional Days: 177
Teacher Work Days: 187

School Start Times: PK-6 ~ 8:20 am-3:40 pm
7-12 ~ 7:35 am-2:55 pm
We Can, We Will, We're Barbers Hill!
*Early Dismissal Times: PK-6 ~ 12:30 pm
7-12 ~ 11:30 am

AUGUST

8-11 New Employee Orientation
12 District Employee Convocation
15-18 Staff Development
19 Teacher Workday
[*] 22 Beginning of 1st Six-Weeks

SEPTEMBER

5 Labor Day HOLIDAY

OCTOBER

[3] Beginning of 2nd Six-Weeks
10 Staff/Student Holiday

NOVEMBER

[7] Beginning of 3rd Six-Weeks
23 Staff Exchange Day/Student Holiday
24-25 Thanksgiving HOLIDAYS

DECEMBER

*15 & 16 Early Dismissal
19-30 Christmas HOLIDAYS

JANUARY

2 Teacher Workday/Student Holiday
[3] Beginning of 4th Six-Weeks
16 Staff/Student Holiday

FEBRUARY

20 Staff/Student Holiday
(Bad Weather Make-Up Day, if needed)
[21] Beginning of 5th Six-Weeks

MARCH

12-16 Spring Break

APRIL

6 Staff/Student Holiday
9 Staff/Student Holiday
(Bad Weather Make-Up Day, if needed)
[16] Beginning of 6th Six-Weeks

MAY

4 Staff Exchange Day/Student Holiday
28 Memorial Day HOLIDAY
30 Baccalaureate
*30 & 31 Early Dismissal

JUNE

1 Teacher Workday and Graduation

JANUARY 2012				
M	T	W	T	F
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23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

FEBRUARY				
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27	28	29		

MARCH				
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26	27	28	29	30

APRIL				
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MAY				
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JUNE				
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11	12	13	14	SH
18	19	20	21	SH
25	26	27	28	SH

SH: Summer Hours/Offices Closed

Second Semester
4th Six Weeks: 33 Days
5th Six Weeks: 32 Days
6th Six Weeks: 32 Days

Total Days 2nd Semester: 97
Revised School Calendar Approved:
05-24-11

2011 BOND UPDATE



2011 Bond Construction began shortly after graduation ceremonies, following a 78% voter approval rate on Propositions 1 and 2 in the May election. Current projects include renovations at Eagle Stadium on the visitor's side and installment of artificial turf on the field, with substantial completion estimated in September. Construction bids for High School Band Hall additions will open in mid-June.

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at
bhisd.net



*** Change Note:** In May, the Barbers Hill School Board voted to revise the 2011-2012 Calendar so students will begin school on **Monday, August 22**, rather than Tuesday August 23. Please mark this change on your calendars.