

Photojournalism Kids Featured on the New York Times:

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Eighteen, current and former Frisco High School, students had images selected for the New York Times Lens Blog's recent project, "My Hometown." Their photos are featured in the Texas section of entries, which are searchable by student name. The project was inspired by the FSA's documentation of farmers during the Depression, according to the Lens Blog. This project was based on the belief of using photography as a learning tool and getting a different view of society, one from a teen's viewpoint. More than 3,000 students from 45 states submitted images to this project.

Most of the images are slated to be archived at the Library of Congress in the Prints and

Photographs Division. Students were given this assignment in Ms. Toni Marsh's Photojournalism class in the late spring of the last school year. This assignment was a way to get other people to view their work. "I thought this would be a great way to get students involved in the community and challenge them to think outside the box, and I am excited for each of the students who have work chosen," Ms. Marsh said. Students who have work on the site are Autumn Montgomery, 10, Elizabeth Song, 11, Emily Lowry, 11, Megan McLeland, 11, Lauren Olvera, 11, Uma Patel, 10, Jana Smith, 11, Sofia Ortiz, 11, McCall Budzius, 10, Erin Geyer, 11, Kylie Goff, 11, Emma Jackson, 10, Kaitlyn Kearney, 12, Olivia Lavelle,

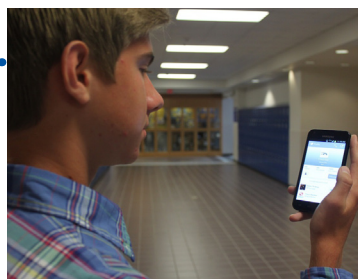


photo taken by Emma Jackson

10, Morgan Long, 12, Valeria Gil de Leyva, 10, Caitlyn Listz, Class of 2013 graduate. At the time the assignment was given, students had mixed feelings about it, but the ones who had work selected were thrilled. "A rush of excitement flows over you when you hear news like that," Emma said about her work being selected.

Frisco Tweets:

To many high school students, Twitter is the electronic version of passing notes. Over the past couple of years, school administrators have discovered that Twitter also has practical value as a communications tool between schools, parents, teachers, and students. For example, Frisco High School uses Twitter to announce outstanding student achievements, game cancellations, bad weather days, and any information considered important for parents, students and teachers. In following FISD policy, students are allowed to use their devices only before or after school hours. The Twitter account for Frisco High School is @FHSRaccoons. Get connected.



*FHS Twitter Follower,
photo taken by Bob Bernet*

Up Coming Events:

- Oct 1:** Jostens Collecting Ring Orders
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- Oct 2:** Jostens Collecting Ring Orders
- Oct 4:** End of 1st Six Weeks
- Oct 9:** Blood Drive Sign ups Start
- Oct 9:** Report Cards on HAC @ 4:10
- Oct 11:** PLAN Test Registration Due
- Oct 14:** Parent Teacher Conference Day
- Oct 14:** No School: Teacher In-Service Day
- Oct 16:** PSAT & Senior Assembly
- Oct 18:** Pep Rally: Pink out the Park
- Oct 18:** Blood Drive

FHS Seniors, don't let important senior events pass you by. Make sure to check the FHS Senior and Senior Parent's Website for upcoming events!

FHS Music Appreciation Club is a Shurr Thing :

One of the most popular organizations at Frisco High School is the Music Appreciation Club. Led by Technical Theater Director Ben Shurr, club members meet every Wednesday morning at 7:30 to study the history of music. They also explore the different genres and discuss various ways music has influenced society. All types of music are covered; from alternative and indie, to pop, country, rap, and

everything in between. Also, by listening to various songs, students can hear how individual artists directly influence each other. "For example," explains Mr. Shurr, "Students were recently surprised to learn that the song 'Taurus' by the band 'Spirit' sounds amazingly similar to Led Zeppelin's, 'Stairway To Heaven.'" Come to the meetings and you will find out why. All students are welcome to join the club. If you

have an interest in music and the influence it has had on society, the Music Appreciation Club may be for you.



Mr. Shurr, photo taken by Bob Bernet.

FHS Attendance Policy:

Under Texas Education Code 25.094, a student is in violation of the **Compulsory Attendance** law if the student has issues of truancy **3 days or parts of days in a four week period or 10 days or parts of days in a six month period.** Tardiness is considered part of a school day. It is the responsibility of the parent to

monitor their child's attendance. As a reminder, according to Texas Education Code 25.093, a parent is subject to prosecution when his/her child fails to attend school regularly. Once the student accumulates 10 UNEXCUSED absences within a 6 month period, Truancy Charges shall be filed. In order for a

student to receive credit in a class, the student must meet the 90 % attendance rule for that class. On the 5th absence in a class for the semester, the student can lose credit in that class for the semester.

PSAT Offered Oct 16th:

All 9th, 10th and 11th grade students will take the PSAT on Wednesday, October 16, 2013. This will be given in the morning 9 a.m. - noon. The students will resume their regular B day schedule from 12:15 p.m. - 4:10 p.m. Calculators will be provided for all 11th grade students, 9th and 10th grade students will need to bring their own to use on the test. Scientific or graphic calculators are acceptable, cell phones and/or electronic devices are not allowed. Students who take the PSAT before taking the SAT tend to score 136 points higher on the SAT. Juniors also have a chance to earn National Merit Recognition by doing well which could lead to scholarship opportunities. On October 16th, our FHS seniors will be attending a mandatory assembly that will cover several important topics affecting their senior year.

This Weeks Sports Report:

Sept 23th: Varsity Tennis: Frisco 6/ Liberty 13

Sept 24th: 9th Gr Volleyball [A Team]: Frisco 2/ Little Elm 0

Varsity Volleyball: Frisco 3/ Little Elm 1

JV Volleyball: Frisco 2/ Little Elm 0

Varsity Tennis: Frisco 10/Wakeland 9

Sept 26th: JV Tennis: Frisco 9/ Centennial 11

9th Gr Football [A Team]: Frisco 0/ Wakeland 27

9th Gr Football [B Team]: Frisco 7/ Wakeland 28

JV Football[A Team]: Frisco 48/ Wakeland 0

JV Football[B Team]: Frisco 34/ Wylie 20

Upcoming Games:

Sept 27th: Varsity Tennis: Frisco vs Heritage

Varsity Football: Frisco vs Wakeland

Varsity Volleyball: Frisco vs Prosper HS

Sept 28th: Cross Country Meet: Hidden Cove Park

Swimming & Diving Sprint Invitational