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We Are... **HERITAGE**

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Dear Heritage Family:

Heritage High School will participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) on February 21st. This continuing assessment of what students know and can do in various subjects is then released as The Nation's Report Card, which provides information about student achievement to educators, parents, policymakers and the public.

Students that will participate in NAEP will **be chosen at** random. If your child is chosen, you will be notified by e-mail and a letter mailed to your home. While there is no need to study in preparation for NAE, we do hope that you will encourage your student to do well. If you do not want your child to participate, or you have questions, please contact Rebecca Hill at hillre@friscoisd.org. or 469-633-5926.

Valentine's Day is just around the corner! While we recognize that many of our students celebrate that day, we want to remind you that we will not be able to accept delivery of flowers, candy, balloons, food, gifts, etc. for students. Message for students will be accepted only for emergencies and or in regard to transportation changes. Thank you for your help in reinforcing this message with your students.

We have some important dates coming up in February, so please remember to look at the calendar dates noted at the end of this letter.

~ Safety and Security ~

Heritage High School and FISD are partnering for an in-person workshop training session on February 7th. The purpose of this is to practice components of our campus emergency plan and manage emergency scenarios. We are continually in the process of evaluating our processes and procedures and while this session is not a test, it will provide valuable insight to our campus in terms of safety and security. It will clarify roles and responsibilities and identify actions items for continued improvement of our campus emergency operations plan.



Congratulations to Trinity Williams! She was awarded a \$10,000 scholarship from DairyMAX and the Dallas Cowboys for her participation in Fuel Up To Play 60, an in-school health and wellness program. Trinity is a student ambassador and a leader in healthy habits. We love it when great things happen and we are proud of how Trinity leads!

Since winter isn't over yet, we'd like to remind you about the district's bad weather policy. If a decision must be made as to school closing or a late opening, announcements will be posted on the front of the **Frisco ISD website**, social media channels such as **Twitter** and **Facebook** and on area radio and television stations. The District will also utilize the phone/email/text message system to communicate directly with parents, so please be sure to have up-to-date contact information on file at your child's school. The goal is to have a decision made by 5:30 a.m. **Otherwise, schools will be open as scheduled.**

Students must be present in each class period for 90% of the class time in order to be marked present. If your student misses more than 10% of class time, a note or email will be needed in order to excuse your student's absence. Please submit absence notifications to the email address on the Heritage website for absence reporting. You can also send a note with your student within 3 days of your student's return to school. For the district attendance policy, please visit the FISD website, click on the Parent tab and scroll to the bottom under Popular links.

In order to maximize your student's class time and make this year a success, please note the following information:

ATTENDANCE: Information regarding absence reporting for your student can be found on the Heritage website.

DELIVERIES: Students need to remember to bring all necessary items with them to school in the morning. It is important to minimize classroom disruptions, so please remember to send lunch money, lunches, clothing, books and supplies with your child in the morning rather than deliver it during the day.

LUNCH: Please remember that FISD schools are closed campuses. That means students are to remain on campus during lunch periods. Parents are welcome to bring lunch to their child, and eat with them in the cafeteria.

SIGNING OUT: We are happy to call your student to the front office to be checked out once you are in the office, but do not call students in advance. This will help keep our students in the classroom as much as possible. Thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT: There is a 24 hour turn-around time to receive a Verification of Enrollment (VOE) for your trip to the DMV. Students that sign up for a VOE in the office can return the next morning to pick it up. Please note that we do not e-mail or fax a VOE. It must be picked up in person.

The Senior Class of 2019 will graduate on Saturday, June 1, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at the Dr. Pepper Star Center in Frisco.

We have some important dates for you to make note of in the weeks ahead.

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| 2/4 | Dual Credit Information Night in the Cafeteria – 6:00 p.m. |
| 2/5 | HHS Band Mid-Winter Concert in the Auditorium – 6:30 p.m. |
| 2/15 | No Classes – FISD Professional Development Day |
| 2/18 | Presidents' Day Holiday – No Classes |

Have a good weekend!