Frisco ISD

## Wester Newsflash

Principal -Richard Manuel

Wester Mission Statement Wester Middle School will collaboratively create a positive learning environment committed to equipping society with empowered learners.

**Assistant** Principals -Dan Kanzler

# Jennifer King

### **Essay Winner**

**Counselors -**Julie Lewis Michelle Ott

Social Studies students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade participated in a Patriots' Pen essay contest sponsored by the local Veterans of Foreign Wars post in Frisco. Patriots' Pen is a nationwide youth essay contest giving students the opportunity to write an essay expressing their views on an annual patriotic theme. This year's theme was "What Freedom Means to Me". Out of 84 participants from schools in Frisco, Wester 8th grade student **Lisa Kan** won 1st place for the Frisco VFW post. With her first place finish, Lisa was awarded a certificate and a \$100 prize. We are very proud of Lisa and her accomplishment in this contest.





#### Wester's **Core Values**



Respect

**I**ntegrity

### Wall of Fame

**S**ervice

Every six weeks, each team recognizes students who exemplify Wester's core values of "Respect, Integrity, Service, and Excellence". The students receive a certificate and their picture is posted on our Wall of Fame outside the office. Congratulations to the 2015-2016 third six weeks Wall of Fame students!

**E**xcellence



Elijah Conom, Lexi Knieriemen , Hudson Kesting, Mackenzie Muse, Cassandra Wister, Jadon Dewey, Ellie Cline, Josh Schultz, Dharma Patel, Cade Mercer, Emma Dixon, Mitchell Stoltz

## Riverdog and Star Awards



Joshua Carlson, Rishi Bais, Anusheh Khan, Lexi Knierieman, Elijah Conom, Prisha Mehta, Katy Doncer, Alexandra Bonnett, Xander Sindt, and Rollie Jones



Jacob Leon, Xavier Ayala, Ethan Ehlers, Hudson Kesting, Haden Schumacher, Emma Putnam, Sierra Corbin, Isabella Carrillo, Macky Muse, and Belinda Cai (not pictured)

### Hillcat and Rockhound Awards



Emily Landenburg, Raphael Arroyo, Mason Mattay, Paige Wenger, Paige Horton, Olivia Potter, Jackson Taylor, Jordan Bates, Samantha Boring, Collin Martin



Katalina Miller, Maggie Stearns, Jessica Facanin, Anika Patel and Emma Woods, Logan Shepard, Kyle Paxton, Rueben Thomas, Alec Chavez, Luke Hinshaw

### **Express and Thunder Awards**



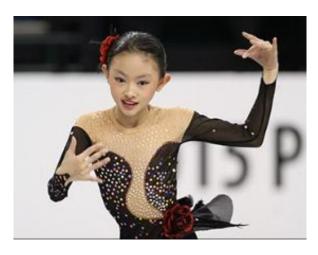
Tatum Cackler, Kristen Schappaugh, Jocelyn Ramos, Lindsey Rodkey, Bailey Coyle, Jason Rhyne, Nathan Hollien, Elian Porras, Joseph Cui, Grace Weihing



Mia Levock, Anna Kaufman, Tiffany Truong, Jacey Kline, Lucy Ladis, Brian Vasquez, Emma Donley, Daniel Hahn, Blake Coats, Alex Hoang, Collin McBride, Harsh Chavva, Nic Naccarato

### Figure Skating Championship

Wester student **Audrey Lu** earned a spot in 2016 Midwestern Sectional Figure Skating Championships last November in Ohio and competed in the 2016 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships January 15-24. This competition is the most prestigious skating event in the United States and took place in St. Paul, Minnesota. After some very intense competitions against other top skaters from all over the country, Audrey took 6th place overall at the Nationals. We are very proud of our Wildcat student!





#### Resources and Other Information

#### Report an Absence

Please remember to send a doctor's note, written parent note, or email when your child is absent. A phone call is not an acceptable notification of an absence. If written documentation is not received within three days of your student returning to school, the absence will be marked as unexcused.

#### Email:

Wester@friscoisd.org

#### Early Check-out Procedure

We cannot pull students for an appointment prior to parent or guardian arrival. Please allow 5-10 minutes for us to call your student from class, get items from his/her locker, and check out. Be sure to bring your driver's license with you in case we need to scan it before checking out your child.

#### **Homework Requests**

As per the student handbook, a request for homework may be made on the second consecutive day of absence. Requests are made by calling the office at 469-633-4800 no later than 10:00 am. Assignments will be available for pick-up in the office by 3:00 pm. Students who are absent one day should see each teacher upon their return for schoolwork missed.